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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Faculty, Chairs, Associate Deans, and Deans

FROM: Elaine Charlson *Elaine Charlson*

DATE: September 22, 2008

RE: Request for Proposals: QEP Curriculum Development Grant Program

The Office of Undergraduate Discovery Programs is pleased to announce the first request for proposals for the QEP Curriculum Development Grant program. Individual faculty, teams of faculty, departments, and colleges are encouraged to submit proposals to request support for development and pilot implementation of enhancements that incorporate inquiry-based learning and/or research practica in the curriculum. The deadline for proposal submission is Monday, November 17, 2008.

The QEP Curriculum Development Grant Program is part of the comprehensive UH Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), named the *Learning through Discovery Initiative*. In April 2008, the SACS On-Site Review Committee praised the UH QEP, which is focused on integrating research into the undergraduate experience. A cornerstone of the *Learning through Discovery Initiative* is a broad-based effort to integrate research into the curriculum through initiation of this QEP Curriculum Development Grant Program. Thanks to many of you who were involved in the planning phase and submitted preliminary QEP proposals for consideration. Those ideas were incorporated into the QEP report and the QEP Curriculum Development Grant Program.

Please visit the Faculty & Staff gateway of the Discovery website and click on "Curriculum Toolbox" to download the QEP grant program guidelines and application form. Links to resources, services, and best practices are also available on the site at www.uh.edu/discovery

Questions about the QEP Grant Program should be directed to Dr. Veronique Tran, Director, Office of Undergraduate Discovery Programs at discovery@uh.edu or ext. 3-5099.

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