

2010 PTL Professional Development Awards

The Center for Teaching Advancement and Assessment Research at Rutgers made its selections for the 2010 Part-Time Lecturer Professional Development Fund awards. The total amount of funds available has been distributed for this year. Congratulations to all awardees and thanks to all who applied.

Twelve out of 45 applications were granted an award ranging from a high of \$1400 (which 3 people received) to a low of \$220. The high number of regrets serves to indicate that we need to increase the amount of money in the fund to cover more of the meritorious applications. This is one of our achievements in bargaining our Rutgers PTL Faculty Chapter Collective Agreement last time: we succeeded in doubling the amount available each year during the past four years of the current contract—from \$5,000 to \$10,000. Now we have even more evidence that more money is needed!

In the next round of negotiations, we will strive to increase the amount of money available and to amend the selection process. Preparations are underway for the next round. The current PTLFC-AAUP-AFT contract expires on June 30, 2011.

Anne-Catherine Aubert, \$200 for the purchase of a DVD and books to enhance the teaching of French

Roberta Entner, \$1000 to offset purchase of a movie camera and tripod for use in public speaking classes

James Gallagher, \$225 to offset costs to attend 3 conferences sponsored by NJ Society of Certified Public Accountants

Amy Higer, \$300 to offset costs to present a paper at the New England Political Science Association annual conference

Yen-Fang Jenh, \$1400 to offset costs of participation in an Oral Proficiency Interview workshop related to teaching Asian Languages sponsored by the American Council of Teachers of Foreign Languages

Eun Kyung Lee, \$1000 to purchase Korean films to enhance the curriculum for teaching Korean culture and cinema

Neha Mittal, \$220 to purchase materials to develop a new course in the MBA program at Rutgers-Camden

Joan Glass Morgan, \$1400 to offset expenses to attend the annual International Scientific Conference of the Center for Mindfulness in Medicine, Health Care, and Society

Mary Nagy, \$1200 to offset expenses in a research project in Communication that involves undergraduate students

Alena J. Singleton, \$1400 to purchase technology to create a virtual classroom environment for teaching Sociology

Ying Sun Tombler, \$800 to offset costs to attend an annual conference on teaching Economics at Robert Morris University

Timothy Urban, \$900 to assist with purchase of software and labor necessary to enhance online music practice