Second-Year Seminar Information

We invite proposals for three Second-Year Seminars for fall term 2011 and three Second-Year Seminars for winter term 2012.

The Second-Year Seminar pilot program, funded by Oregon 2020, is intended to serve two cohorts of students: those in their second year at the UO, regardless of earned credits, and all transfer students. As gateways into the disciplines, the seminars are designed to encourage communication, critical thinking, research, writing skills, and extensive use of campus resources.

Each seminar will have an advanced undergraduate in the major to serve as Peer Assistant

- 4-credit elective courses -- 399 level
- Open to all students in their second year at the UO and to transfer students
- Enrollment limited to 23 students
- Intended to foster mentoring relationships with faculty/library/academic advisors
- Will contain Imbedded co-curricular component(s)

Imbedded Co-Curricular Connections to

Each faculty member will determine the appropriate connections between university resources and the academic subject of the seminar. Some examples of resources are the following:

- Campus and community events; lectures, films, live performances
- Special Collections, Knight Library
- Schnitzer Museum, Museum of Natural History
- International experience. Study/Internship abroad
- Leadership. Service learning, community or summer leadership opportunity
- Sustainability Project. Internship or summer experience
- Research Component. Connection to Undergraduate Research Symposium and Workshop Series
• UG Research Award. Recognition of strong writing component

• Student Life. Inclusion of non-traditional and transfer students; Veteran Friendly Listeners Program; Veterans and Family Student Association

• Residence Life. Participation in Academic Initiatives; Seminars modeled on Practicum courses

• Mind and Body. Physical Education/Health component

• Teaching and Learning Center. Transfer Student Mentorship Program Multicultural Center

• Women’s Center. International Women’s Support Group

Compensation

• Faculty. $6K + OPE (excluding health benefits). May be taken as salary or as faculty development.

• Student Assistant. $500 + OPE (excluding health).