The Innovations in Medical Education Grants (IMEG) Program, administered by the UMMS Office of Medical Education, is currently seeking proposals from those interested in developing new and creative approaches to teaching and learning in medicine, nursing and the biomedical sciences.

**Who can apply?**
Faculty, house officers, students, and staff. Students are encouraged to collaborate with a faculty mentor.

**Must proposals be limited to undergraduate medical education?**
No. Proposals can also target Graduate Medical Education, the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, and/or the Graduate School of Nursing. Immediate impact on student learning will play a strong role in proposal funding decisions; collaborative, interdisciplinary proposals (e.g., GSN/Medical School; UME/GME) are encouraged.

**How large are the grants?**
The maximum grant award is $7,500. In recent years, awards have ranged from $3,300 to $7,500.

**How can grant funds be used?**
To fund technical or administrative personnel, students, and consultants; to purchase supplies and equipment. Awards for equipment purchases are restricted to items otherwise not available to the PI through his/her department or other central school sources; all equipment purchased with IMEG funds will remain the property of the Office of Medical Education, and must be returned upon completion of the project unless alternative arrangements are made. Travel funding (up to $1,000) will be considered only if the travel is necessary for project development or implementation. *IMEG funds cannot be used for faculty salary support.*

**Who can answer questions about IMEG grants?**
Emily Ferrara, MA, Director of Grants & Special Projects in the Office of Medical Education and Chair of the IMEG committee, is available to answer questions about the IMEG grant process. (Emily.Ferrara@umassmed.edu or (508) 856-5134)

**What if I just want to talk about an idea, or if I need help developing a proposal?**
Emily Ferrara will be happy to discuss an idea as well as match you with someone who can help you develop your proposal. Our goal is to help you develop and create a funded project.

**What is the deadline for submissions?**
November 15, 2006 is the deadline for funding in the AY 06-07 Academic Year. Awards will be announced in January 2007.

**How do I apply?**
IMEG Proposal Guidelines and Application form are posted on the Office of Medical Education website ([http://www.umassmed.edu/ome/grants/](http://www.umassmed.edu/ome/grants/)), and may be requested by contacting Fernanda Gama in the Division of Grants and Special Projects, Office of Medical Education at fernanda.gama@umassmed.edu or (508) 856-5487.