

Impact Learning Education Grant

Do you want your education to contribute to society and apply impact learning in your course or give it a place in the broader curriculum? Would you like more time and space to work with students and colleagues to better understand and respond to major transitions in today's world in your education? Then apply now for this education innovation grant Impact Learning. Develop or discover how to improve or adapt your education! Read more about this grant opportunity below. You can apply from 10 December 2024 until 31 January 2025.

Why this grant?

The UvA is committed to fostering the development of impact learning. (Impact Learning is education to actively engage students in addressing and solving societal challenge). Especially now, as we deal with major societal challenges. We ask ourselves, what role can we, as university lecturers, play in addressing and solving such pressing issues with and by our students? The Impact Learning Education grant could give you the time and space to develop a educational innovation or research connected to impact learning. This grant is awarded by the **Institute for Interdisciplinary Studies (IIS)**.

What does the grant entails?

- We will award four grants for academic year 25/26 of €6500 per project.
- The funding can be split between several colleagues and or student assistants, and we do encourage co-working and co-creating.
- The intention is to use this budget to compensate for teaching hours, so you create time to work on your teaching innovation project.
- Before submitting your proposal, ensure that you have discussed and calculated the number of hours in a detailed and feasible time planning.
- Importantly, you need your manager(s) approval of your proposal, so that you are ensured that you can integrate these Impact Learning grant hours in your PLAN for next academic year (25-26) if the grant is approved.

With the grant comes a support team to advice you on the development. You can also participate in a network of other grantees for exchanging ideas.

Before applying, kindly read about other relevant Impact Learning grant projects which received funding in the past year as you might find inspiration [here](#).

For whom is the grant?

- You are a lecturer or team of lecturers teaching one or more course at the UvA and are responsible for development assessment of the course.
- You are open to share your own knowledge and inspire others.
- You have interest in evidence informed teaching, since the project can also be based on small education research on impact learning.

- You hold a position at the UvA for at least 0.5 FTE, which will last (at minimum) for the duration of the project (2025-2026).
- Your supervisor has granted you permission to invest work hours in this project.

This new round of the Impact Learning Education grant may be of interest to you, but also to other colleagues with impact learning ambitions. They may of course also join our **Special Interest Group (SIG) Impact Learning** and apply for an education grant. Feel free to share it within your UvA network and/or collaborate on a proposal. Please note that you can become a member of the SIG Impact Learning regardless of receiving the grant funding.

How and when to apply for the grant?

You can submit your proposal via the [application form](#).

- The application will be assessed by a committee consisting of experts on impact learning from different faculties assembled by IIS.
- After granting you are supported by thematic experts Katusha Sol and Rosanne van Wieringen.
- Afterwards, the project will be evaluated together with the IIS and the results will be shared within our SIG and on our webpage.

The following criteria will be used to evaluate the applications:

- Contribution and relevance to impact learning.
- Degree of innovation demonstrated by the project and the expected improvement to education
- Quality of the proposal (eg. rationale, relation between learning objectives, course design and assessment, plan of action)
- Feasibility of the project within the suggested amount of time.
- Relevance for the teaching practice of the university.
- Teaching experience and the background of the applicant(s), such as (possible) distribution of the applications over different faculties and courses.

The application round of the Impact Learning Education grant starts on 10 December 2024 until **31 January 2025**. Within four weeks after the deadline, we will let you know how we have evaluated your application and whether you will be awarded the grant. If the grant is awarded, an intake interview will follow afterwards.

Questions and contact

Questions? Contact Katusha Sol (k.sol@uva.nl) or Rosanne van Wieringen (r.vanwieringen@uva.nl). Or visit our [SIG Impact Learning](#) web page to see what previous grant holders applied.