

## Call for Proposals: TILT Writing-Enriched Curriculum (WEC) Faculty Fellowship

At a time when faculty are questioning the purpose, value, and authorship of college writing, TILT wants to support faculty interested in meaningfully integrating writing as a tool for student learning and engagement by offering four Writing-Enriched Curriculum (WEC) faculty fellowships for the 2025-2026 school year. This fellowship program encourages faculty to design innovative writing-focused methodologies, develop a plan to assess the impact of these instructional strategies, and share valuable insights on writing as a tool for learning and engagement with the broader CSU community.

WEC projects should contribute to students' deepened learning, to student success objectives (retention and persistence, transfer of knowledge), and/or to specific course objectives and learning outcomes. An assessment plan related to these objectives should be included in the project description as well as a timeline and narrative that clearly states the project's relevance to student learning. WEC project descriptions are also invited to clearly connect the project's objectives to the land grant mission of access or to other University priorities.

WEC Fellows will engage in writing-specific curriculum design or redesign with an emphasis on student learning outcomes that can be assessed. We recommend you focus your scope on one major writing assignment, 3-4 smaller writing assignments, or a collection of writing activities within one specific course.

WEC Fellowships include a stipend of \$1500 for the course instructor and 20 hours of one-on-one mentorship and consultation with a TILT WEC Lead (Kelly Bradbury, Director of the gtPathways Writing Integration Program; Genesea Carter, Associate Director of Composition; Leslie Davis, Associate Director of the Writing Center; or Annie Halseth, CSU WAC Program Writing Specialist). Fellows will meet biweekly in the fall semester with their WEC Lead to collaboratively plan, implement, and assess their projects. Spring semester meetings will be determined at a later date.

### Funding Sponsorship, Reporting, and Additional Opportunities

Competitively selected WEC Fellows will be funded by a TILT grant for FY-25/26 with payout to Fellows upon completion of the final report (May 2026). Fellows should keep good notes and strong assessment approaches during the project so that a final report can be filed with both the WEC Leads and with TILT by May 15, 2026. All funds will be subject to CSU and departmental fiscal restrictions. Any funds used for supplemental pay or salary must be used to compensate for work done outside a person's normal work duties.

TILT will announce WEC Fellows on the TILT website and at the Summer Conference Awards Ceremony in May 2026 when Fellows will also be expected to present a poster about their projects. An additional opportunity will be provided to WEC Fellows to participate in and help facilitate the January 2026 (exact date TBD) TILT Course Redesign Institute so that Fellows can share their learning with faculty colleagues.

## Eligibility

Full-time Colorado State University faculty members on a tenured/tenure-track or a continuing non tenurable appointment for the 2025-2026 academic year are invited to submit proposals. While graduate students are not eligible to apply as principal WEC Fellows, we do encourage faculty to apply with a graduate student who can help them design and implement the curriculum.

*Preference will be given to faculty who participated in TILT's June 2025 intensive Community of Practice on Writing for Engaged Learning and who have not already participated in the WAC Fellows program.*

## Timeline

**Proposals are due by 11:59 pm on August 1.** All projects will be funded on a one-year cycle. Writing-enriched curriculum will be prepped in August, implemented in the fall 2025 semester, and revised with a short reflection in the Spring 2026 semester. Projects will be completed by May 15, 2026.

Activity	Timeline
Call for Proposals Opens	June 24, 2025
Proposals Due	August 1, 2025
Award Notification	August 15, 2025
Mentoring and Consultation with a WEC Lead (20 hours)	August 15-Spring 2026
Project Implementation	Fall 2025 semester
Opportunity to Participate in TILT's Course Redesign Institute	January 2026
Final Project Reports Due	May 15, 2026
\$1500 Funds Dispersed	May 2026 (upon submission of final report)
Present at TILT's Summer Conference	May 2026 (May 20-21 tentatively)

## Proposal Process

Proposals should be submitted electronically as a single document to Dr. Kelly Bradbury at [kelly.bradbury@colostate.edu](mailto:kelly.bradbury@colostate.edu). Proposals should include the following details; the summary and purpose statement combined should be no more than 2 pages maximum, single spaced:

- Brief project summary
  - Your name and email address.
  - Your department and college.

- o Your course number, title, and number of students.
  - o Your brief statement about your writing-enriched curriculum idea.
- Purpose statement describing the following:
  - o The major writing assignment, writing activities, or smaller writing assignments you are interested in designing or redesigning.
  - o The learning issue or pedagogical innovation you would like your writing-enriched curriculum to address.
  - o Which course outcomes, University priorities, and/or learning objectives you will focus on in the designing of your writing-enriched curriculum.
  - o How you plan to assess the impact of your writing-enriched curriculum on the targeted learning objectives/outcomes. For example, you might want to survey students, collect and assess student work, reflect on curriculum impact on students' learning and/or your own learning and potential application beyond the one class.
  - o Project timeline beginning in August and ending May 15, including curriculum design and implementation in the Fall 2025 semester and assessment, reflection, and revision in the Spring 2026 semester.
  - o What support and mentorship you are most excited about receiving.
- Attach the syllabus and course calendar of the proposed course.

Please contact Kelly Bradbury ([kelly.bradbury@colostate.edu](mailto:kelly.bradbury@colostate.edu)) with any questions about the proposal submission process or the TILT WEC Faculty Fellowship Program.