

Provost Reinvestment Fund Requests - Autumn 2013

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Amount Requested	Fiscal Year	Permanent or Temporary?	# of Years Needed	Description
\$179,790.00	2015	Temporary	2	<p>The Law School is requesting bridge funding to cover Debbie Maranville's transition from Clinic Director to her work on classroom innovation until her retirement in two years. Debbie has agreed to help look at different strategies to help ensure that our graduates have the skills that are required by employers. It is important to have a Clinic director to help manage and create clinics that will serve the interests of our students as well as promote the Law School's mission for the Greater Common Good. Bridge funding will allow the Law School to help further the academic careers of our students both in the classroom as well as in the clinic setting. The Law School is requesting \$179,790 a year for two years.</p>
\$400,000	2015	Temporary	1	<p>The Law School currently lags behind it's peers in faculty compensation. While it is welcome news that we will be eligible to give our faculty a 5% merit increase, this is difficult with our strained budget. We are requesting an additional \$400K for one year while we find a way to permanently fund the merit increase.</p>

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Faculty Status Report and Lecturer Recruitment/Hiring

Please describe your unit's emerging or changing faculty needs, including information about faculty hiring trends and the recruitment and appointment of lecturers.

The law school looks to recruit in two critical areas. First, we would like to recruit an outstanding faculty member whose primary curricular/research interest lies in the area of Taxation. This recruitment will backfill a vacancy left from a faculty departure. For the past two years we filled this vacancy with a visiting professor.

In addition, we intend to recruit for Director of our Clinical Law Program. As more emphasis is put on experiential learning in legal education, it is crucial that we hire a strong faculty member whose interest is in clinical legal education. The need to backfill this role is due to the impending retirement of our current director.

Each of these hires is central to our and the university's priorities because they are the basic core of our curriculum and thus go directly to support academic excellence.