

Quality Matters Certified Peer Reviewer Grant

Background:

The Office for Teaching and Learning (OTL) sponsors a basic institutional membership to <u>Quality Matters</u> (QM) that allows all Wayne State University (WSU) faculty and staff access to the Higher Education (HE) course Rubric, discounts on professional development and other services.

QM's Vision

Quality Matters is the global organization leading quality assurance in online and innovative digital teaching and learning environments.

QM's Mission

Promote and improve the quality of online education and student learning nationally and internationally through:

- Development of current, research-supported, and practice-based quality standards and appropriate evaluation tools and procedures.
- Recognition of expertise in online education quality assurance and evaluation.
- Fostering a culture of continuous improvement by integrating QM Standards and processes into organizational plans to improve the quality of online education.
- Providing professional development in the use of rubrics, tools and practices to improve the quality of online education.
- Peer review and certification of quality in online education.

Grant Details

In order to expand the benefit of this membership for WSU the OTL is sponsoring the full cost of up to 10 faculty to become Certified Peer Reviewers. Applications will be accepted through March 20, 2020. Awardees must be able to complete the required courses by Sept 30, 2020.

Eligibility

1. Open to instructors at all levels: Full-time, Part-time and Graduate Student Instructors

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- 2. You must have taught a for-credit HE online course within the past 18 months
- 3. Submit Application by March 20, 2020



Awardee Requirements

All QM courses must be completed no later than Sept 30, 2020.

- 1. Complete the course Applying the Quality Matters Rubric (APPQMR)
 - a. This is an asynchronous facilitated online course
 - b. Time commitment is approximately 9 hours per week for 2 consecutive weeks
 - c. A section of the course starts every week, you must complete the section once you begin.
- 2. Complete the course Higher Ed Peer Review Course (PCR)
 - a. This is an asynchronous facilitated online course
 - b. Time commitment is approximately 12 hours per week for 3 consecutive weeks
 - c. Prerequisite APPQMR
 - d. A section of the course starts every week, you must complete the section once you begin.
- 3. Complete the QM Peer Reviewer Application
- 4. Conduct up to 3 course reviews over the next 3 years at the OTLs request

NOTE: Those that register for QM courses and do not successfully complete them will be required to repay the registration fee or register again for the course at their own expense.

Application Requirements

Applications are due March 20, 2020. To apply, complete the <u>QM grant application</u> with the following information:

- 1. Name
- 2. Email
- 3. Department & School/College
- 4. List of online courses taught (i.e. AB 1000 (Fall 2019), etc)
- 5. Interest Statement including answers to all the following:
 - a. Why you are interested in this award?
 - b. What do you currently do to ensure the highest quality in your online courses?
 - c. What makes you a good candidate to be a peer reviewer?
 - d. How will the award support your career plans?
 - e. How do you plan to use what you learn to support student success at WSU?

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- 6. Course Completion Plan: Indicate the dates that you plan to start each of the required courses.
- 7. CV / Professional Record