

Provost's Award for High Impact Experiential Learning: Information for Potential Applicants

The Provost's Award for High Impact Experiential Learning is intended to recognize excellence in the development, delivery, accessibility, and outcomes of high impact and interdisciplinary experiences that engage NC State students.

High Impact Experiences, as described in NC State's Quality Enhancement Plan, [Packways: Learning by Doing](#), are characterized by the following:

- They are immersive and sustained, leading to **consistent participant engagement** at a deep level
- They **facilitate interactions** such as formal or informal mentoring and/or collaborative work opportunities with mentors and peers
- They are **designed with attention to access, inclusion, belonging, and wellbeing** in program recruitment, engagement, and pedagogy.
- They lead participants to **critically reflect on, discuss, connect, and apply** new knowledge, skills, and perspectives
- They provide reflective opportunities for participants to communicate or demonstrate how their **learning has changed their perspectives** with regard to future situations or their own lives

Many kinds of programs can be designed to generate the outcomes and experiences described above. These include but are not limited to:

- Early cohort engagement (first year academic programs, Living and Learning Villages, etc.)
- Professional engagement (internships/co-ops, student teaching, leadership, etc.)
- Scholarly engagement (undergraduate research, creative activity)
- Community engagement (service learning, etc.)
- Global Engagement (Research and internships)

Consideration of impact: While there is no minimum or maximum size for eligible programs, programs that have potential for expansion and that are accessible to students from different disciplines or career interests within a discipline are preferred.

We encourage programs to consider applying if they:

- Feel that they **meet most of the characteristics** of High Impact Experiences listed above
- Have **evidence of intention** in reaching these outcomes
- Have **collected data** on how students engage with and within the program

Funding associated with the award may be used for:

- Salary or stipends for temporary or student workers
- Materials associated with program development or delivery
- Travel support for presentations or other work associated with program development or delivery