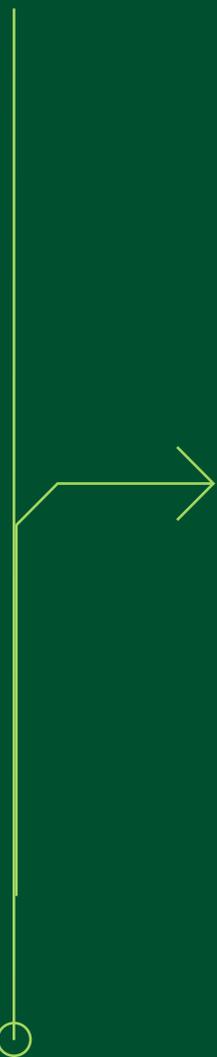# Provost's Report to the Academic Senate

AVP Laura Massa for

S. Terri Gomez, Ph.D.

Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

Wednesday, March18, 2026
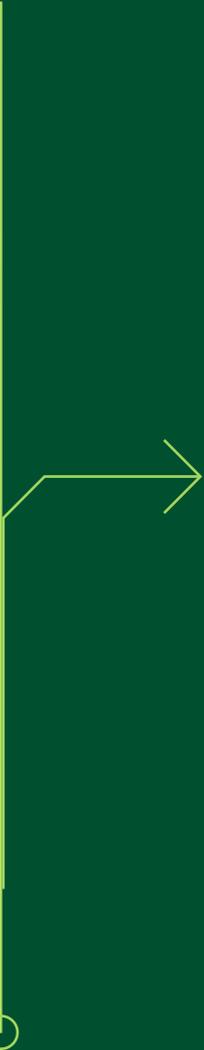
Financial Aid Updates

Federal Financial Aid Changes (Effective July 1, 2026)

Implications for Students and Enrollment		
Policy Area	**Key Change**	**Student Impact**
Pell Grant Eligibility	Students whose non-federal aid fully covers their Cost of Attendance will no longer qualify for Pell Grants, even if otherwise eligible.	• Some low-income students may lose Pell eligibility. • Loss of eligibility could happen mid-late year, creating balance for funds received.
Federal Loan Eligibility	Less-than-full-time students will receive prorated federal loan eligibility based on enrollment level.	• Students enrolled less than full-time will have reduced access to federal loans. • Could result in shortage of resources for covering institutional/education expenses.

Funding Opportunities and Awards

Faculty Opportunities: Grants and Workshops

2026 AI Course Integration Grants

- Awards of $2,000 for integrating generative AI into new or existing courses

- Applications due by April 17

- Please see the [call for proposals](#) for details

2026 Summer Assessment Mini Grants

- Support faculty engagement in program-level assessment practices.

- Awards of $500 - $1,500 per project

- Applications accepted March 3 – April 10

- Please see the [call for proposals](#) for details

Faculty Opportunities: Grants and Workshops

2026–2027 Service-Learning/CEL Faculty Fellows Program

- Assist faculty with integrating service-learning into a new or existing course

- Participate in 6 meetings throughout the academic year

- Tenured, tenure-track, and lecturers are eligible to apply

- $1500 stipend for completion of the program

- ***Applications due by Friday, April 24, 2026, by 5 pm***

Upcoming Intramural Awards

- **Provost's Teacher Scholar Awards** – Awards announced April 10

- **RSCA** Faculty Mini-grants **–** Awards announced April 17

- **SIRG** Interdisciplinary grant awards – Proposals due April 12, awards announced May 1

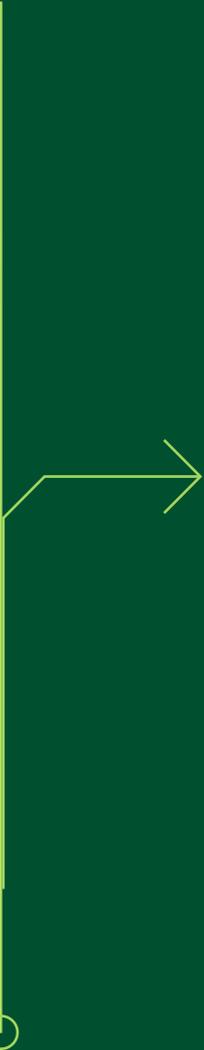# Faculty Opportunities: Grants and Workshops

CAFE [Programs and Events](#)

- Canvas in Practice Series

- Teaching and Technology in Practice Workshop Series

  - *Quick and Efficient Ways to Make Videos for Your Classes: March 24*

  - *Active Learning for Engaged Classrooms: April 14*

- CHAI Workshops – Champions for Accessibility and Inclusion

- Department Chair Academy: Monday, May 18

Exceptional Levels of Service to Students Awards

- These awards recognize previously uncompensated exceptional mentoring, advising and outreach efforts.

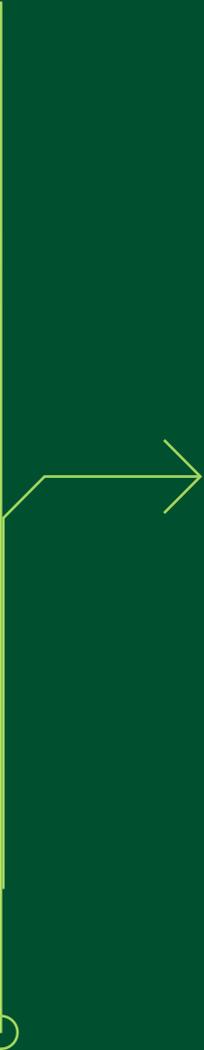- The Committee awarded 17 faculty for 2026-2027

Future Career Paths

Career Engagement In and Out of the Classroom

2026 Summer Career Success Markers Learning Community

- Support faculty and staff embedding career success markers into their course and program design and delivery

  - *Career Success Markers: Key career milestones that will guide students in their career development process and lead to successful post-graduation outcomes.*

- Applications open: March 23 – April 13

- Program dates: June 8 - 12 mixed modality (virtual and in-person)

- Participation Stipend: $2000 in two installments

Announcements and Collaborations

Office of Academic Innovation: 2026 Faculty and Staff Conference

Title:	Human at the Core: Navigating AI in Higher Education
When:	June 3–4 from 8:30am to 4:30pm
Registration:	Event Brite (early bird: May 1 @ 5PM; regular: May 23 @ 5PM)
More info:	Conference website

BroncoBound – Saturday, March 21 - 9am-1pm

Current Registrations

Registered Students: **2,923***
Total with Guests: **9,727**

Numbers as of 3/17/2026 at 7:30am

OREP is making one last push for registration:

- Email to students and supporters

- Text message reminder

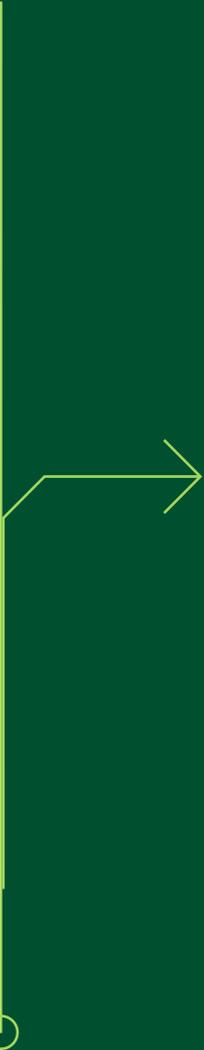- Special communication to students who have not committed

BroncoBound is a **university-wide** event for admitted students and their supporters, highlighting campus resources, academic opportunities, and student life.

Outstanding Advisor Awards Ceremony

- Thursday, April 23 from 3 to 5 p.m.

- Bronco Student Center, Ursa Major

- RSVP at

  https://www.cpp.edu/outstandadvisor/

Questions?