The overall goal of the Center for Faculty Development & Research is to establish a sustainable program for assisting faculty as they enter various career stages and seek to widen the range and scope of their work; to encourage faculty to develop new skills and approaches that push the limits of their academic disciplines and individual talents.
Welcome to the Center for Faculty Development and Research (CFDR). CFDR is a central part of a campus-wide effort to invest in faculty. The CFDR provides an infrastructure to advance the expertise, knowledge and skills of faculty in an effort to enhance the overall quality of undergraduate education. The program strives to create and support collaborative environments for teaching, learning, and discovery that are grounded in sound research, and in a thorough knowledge of the integration of technology.

Title III Objectives:

1. To provide the opportunity for University faculty to participate in a program designed to encourage faculty to investigate, create, and utilize instructional strategies that maximize student learning.

2. To provide faculty the opportunity to learn and discuss current and long-standing issues in education through professional forums.

3. To provide faculty participants access to state-of-the-art instructional technology, the knowledge to use it, and the encouragement to collaborate with their colleagues in utilizing instructional technology in their courses.

4. To provide new and continuing faculty with training opportunities that support their individual research interests, grantsmanship and publication.

CFDR Services:

♦ Conference Awards; these funds may be requested up to $1,650.00 to attend a professional conference and/or workshop.

♦ Resource Awards; faculty are provided these awards after participating in at least three CFDR instructional enhancement workshops.

♦ Speakers; will be contracted to share topics of interest with faculty.

♦ Workshops and seminars; these activities are designed to enhance instructional practice and address the needs/interest of faculty.

♦ Research will be conducted that targets the improvement of teaching and learning processes at the University.

Special Notes:
A. All faculty accepting center funds are required to share acquired information with other faculty at a campus workshop/seminar.

B. Applications are available at the program office, which is located in building #636, Gamble Street.