QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
FACULTY SUPPORT GRANTS WORKSHOP
(September 16, 2014)

1) Do the students faculty are mentoring as part of the mentoring grant need to be enrolled? Do the students need to be paid for their research efforts?

Answer: Students must be enrolled as regular CSU East Bay students to participate in the program. Student researchers are encouraged but not required to apply for their own student research grant available through the Center for Student Research. Faculty receiving a mentoring grant will need to have their students complete a brief report (approximately two paragraphs) that validates their engagement in a meaningful project.

2) How does release time work for lecturers?

Answer: Lecturers would receive compensation for their work as faculty mentors and/or work on either of the other two faculty support grants (Collaborative Research and Engagement of Students Through Coursework) as special consultant pay.

3) Can faculty mentor students while on sabbatical?

Answer: Yes, but the faculty member must write to the President and request permission to earn other income while on sabbatical. The letter goes to the President via the faculty member’s Chair, Dean, and the Provost.

4) Will the scoring rubrics be posted?

Answer: Yes.

5) Can tenured faculty invite a lecturer to be a partner in their Collaborative Research grant?

Answer: Yes, if the lecturer meets the eligibility requirement in the request for proposals (RFP). In this instance, the lecturer would be paid as a special consultant.

6) Can the grant cover expenses beyond June 30, 2015?

Answer: Yes, if the funds have been committed in advance. In rare instances with unforeseen and justifiable circumstances, exceptions are allowed.

7) Can the grant cover costs of publishing research and presenting findings at research conferences? What if it takes more than one year to do this?

Answer: See above.