

Suicide Prevention Curriculum Grant

Questions received as of October 7, 2024
Ohio Department of Higher Education

1. **The College is not in a position to add a new course for Spring 2025. Without knowing all that is involved with the curriculum, is it feasible to incorporate the curriculum into an existing course? And is this permissible to meet the grant requirements?**

Response: The curriculum must be implemented in the Spring 2025 term and cannot be incorporated into an existing course.

2. **Does this involve bringing in an outside trainer who is skilled in this program, or should the institutions think of this as a train-the-trainer experience?**

Response: The Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation does not provide training to teach the curriculum. The curriculum should be taught by someone (faculty or staff) at the institution with related subject matter expertise. Please see the sample curriculum provided by the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation at: <https://rfp.ohiohighered.org/>

3. **I'm seeking the curriculum itself – to determine how much time to anticipate devoting to the course teaching. Is there something that I can share with my faculty to help them picture how much class time would need to have?**

Response: The Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation has provided a sample curriculum; however, it is important to note that this should only be offered as a stand-alone class. The sample curriculum can be found under the documents section at: <https://rfp.ohiohighered.org/>

4. **Is the course allowed to be offered to both graduate and undergraduate students?**

Response: Yes, the course can be offered to both graduate and undergraduate students.

5. **Is it acceptable to have one section that is offered online?**

Response: The course may be offered online. Please be sure to acknowledge that in your proposal as additional follow up may be needed with the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation if awarded.

6. **How many faculty are we allowed to train and are allowed to provide the course? This affects our budget.**

Response: There is no training provided to teach the curriculum. The curriculum should be taught by someone (faculty or staff) at the institution with related subject matter expertise.

Please see the sample curriculum provided by the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation at:
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7. Is there any travel necessary for the faculty training?

Response: No travel is involved.

8. Are there any particular supplies that we need to budget for? For instance, do we need to budget for textbooks or other curriculum materials for students.

Response: Please see sample curriculum provided by the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation in order to evaluate the potential supplies needed to teach the course.
<https://rfp.ohiohighered.org/>

9. Are we allowed to purchase classroom aids for dealing with sensitive subject matter?

Response: All institutions submitting proposals are welcome to submit a budget to cover the costs they feel are necessary to implementation of the course locally. However, institutions are required to use the budget categories provided in the budget worksheet and cannot create new categories.

10. Is there any particular tech (hardware or software) needed to provide this curriculum?

Response: No.

11. Where do I find the certifications that need to be signed by institutional authorities?

Response: Certification statement has been added to the RFP portal under the documents section. <https://rfp.ohiohighered.org/>

12. If fund were accounted for by June 30, 2025, would ODHE consider applicants who would use the Spring 2025 semester for planning if the course were to be offered in the summer or fall semester(s) of 2025?

Response: At this time, ODHE is only seeking proposals from institutions who would implement the course in the Spring 2025 term.

13. Does ODHE have plans to offer this opportunity again for the 2025-2026 academic year?

Response: The state budget, which provides funding for this grant opportunity, ends on June 30, 2025. ODHE cannot commit funding for a budget that does not currently exist.