**2020-2021 MINI GRANT APPLICATION**

**GUIDELINES & INSTRUCTIONS**

The SRJC Office of Career Education and Economic Development (CE/ED) is a catalyst for collaboration and communication in the North Bay. It initiates, facilitates, and supports cooperative projects featuring SRJC faculty, college advisory committees, and Sonoma County businesses.

The 2020-2021 goals of SRJC CE/ED is to encourage faculty to:

* Work closely with industry partners to ensure that Career Education (CE) programs are responsive to labor market demands.
* Develop effective alignment between instruction in CE programs and the skills the labor market needs.
* Participate in professional development activities related to improving instruction, program and curriculum.

This can be accomplished in a number of ways:

* Visits to industry.
* Externships with industry.
* Attend seminars, conferences and association meetings about the discipline, job market, workforce training, or regional economic trends.
* Visit and communicate with neighboring community colleges in the region.

Perkins funds through the Career & Technical Education Act (CTEA) are available for professional development mini-grants to support these activities in fiscal year 2020-2021. Interested instructors may apply for a grant by submitting the attached narrative and budget form. The following guidelines apply:

* Proposals must be approved prior to the activity. **No exceptions!**
* Proposals must be received two weeks prior to the activity.
* Out-of-State Travel must be received 6 weeks in advance of the activity to receive Chancellor’s Office approval. The following states are currently subject to California’s ban on state-funded and state-sponsored travel: Alabama, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, and Texas
* List the date of your Fall and Spring Advisory Committee meetings **(A quorum must have been met to be an official meeting)**. If you did not meet at least once last year (with a quorum), you are not eligible to apply for funding.
* A maximum of $2,000 is available. (CTEA funds may not be able to fund the total amount requested)
* Faculty may receive more than 1 mini-grant as long as the total does not exceed $2,000.
* Within 2 weeks of completing the activity, each grant recipient must submit a Mini-Grant Summary. The Summary template will be sent to you upon approval of your activity.

We will accept applications on an on-going basis as long as funds are available.

Submit application materials electronically, with supervisor’s approval, to Rachel Smith rsmith@santarosa.edu