The DVCE, Professor Pip Pattison has announced that funding of approximately $500K is now available to support educational innovation projects in faculties. The purpose of the funding is to support initiatives for quality improvement and innovation in teaching and learning.

Applications are invited from staff in all faculties for:

- **Small Educational Innovation (SEI) Grants** – funding of up to $8,000 is available to support small educational innovation projects.
- **Large Educational Innovation (LEI) Grants** – funding of up to $35,000 is available to support large educational innovation projects.

The grants are intended to support faculty or cross faculty activities and applicants must be full time or part time faculty staff. Both the Grant Schemes are intended to support work that involves the creative application of existing approaches and technologies or the development of novel approaches and technologies to one or more units of study in order to improve students’ learning experiences. In both cases, the impact may be in one or a collection of units of study; the difference between the two schemes is intended to reflect the level of support required to achieve the proposed outcomes.

**A workshop will be offered by the Education Portfolio on Friday 19 September from 1.30pm – 3.00pm** to support intending applicants in developing proposals. [The workshop on Friday 19 September workshop from 9.30am – 11.00am is already full.]

For details of the scheme, to apply, or to register for the workshop visit the ITL website.

Proposals should be aligned with the University of Sydney 2011-2015 Strategic Plan. Proposals developing the following will be prioritised:

- ‘Engaged enquiry’ as a mode of learning;
- More effective approaches to feedback and assessment;
- Deeper learning engagement through effective class and/or peer interaction; and
- Creative use of existing technologies or approaches or the development of new technologies or approaches to improve the quality and effectiveness of learning experiences and learning outcomes.

**The closing date for applications is Friday 14 November 2014.** Applicants should contact their Associate Dean (Learning and Teaching) for faculty internal submission dates.