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WLU makes grants totalling \$4,250

for research into better teaching

Wilfrid Laurier University has made grants totalling \$4,250 to four of its faculty members as part of a continuing move to improve teaching and learning skills at the university.

The grants were made through the university's office of instructional development, one of several such departments set up recently at universities across the province.

The grant details and recipients:

Prof. Ian McKay, geography, \$2,300 for an introductory geography project to aid in the evaluation and strengthening of existing laboratory exercises, to develop a teaching manual and to prepare review materials for student self-instruction.

Dr. Wynn Watson, biology, \$1,000 for evaluation of alternative teaching methods for application to biology.

Dr. Douglas McCready, economics, \$700 to study the relationship between grades and professor evaluations.

Dr. Terence Scully, romance languages, \$250 for audio-visual, 33 mm. and audio-tape presentation of Rensard (a self-instructional program).

In addition, five persons have received grants to attend conferences relating to their academic interests. The six are Prof. Ian McKay, geography; Dr. Flora Roy, Mrs. L.M. Hancock and Mrs. Sharon Theobald, all English; and Dr. Peter Eglin, sociology.