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WLU Receives A Grant From OUPID For  
office of Instructional Development

Wilfrid Laurier University recently received a \$20,000 grant from the Ontario Universities Program for Instructional Development (OUPID). The OUPID grant along with \$10,000 from the university will be used to set up the office of instructional development.

The office will co-ordinate research and implementation of improved teaching and learning methods at the university. Both faculty and students will be involved.

"Active interest by Wilfrid Laurier faculty members in the quality of teaching and learning has been expressed for many years, and is widely regarded as one of the university's traditional strengths," said Dr. Neale Tayler, vice-president academic at WLU.

In the fall a faculty member will be chosen on a part-time basis to be co-ordinator, responsible for developing a series of discussion groups to stimulate interest in curriculum experimentation, new evaluative techniques and innovative instructional methods.

"Workshops, seminars or travel to other universities involved in similar programs may aid in the search for improved teaching and learning methods," Dr. Tayler said.