Overview:

The Camille Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Awards Program supports the research and teaching careers of talented young faculty in the chemical sciences. Based on institutional nominations, the program provides discretionary funding to faculty at an early stage in their careers. Criteria for selection include an independent body of scholarship attained in the early years of their appointment and a demonstrated commitment to education, signaling the promise of continuing outstanding contributions to both research and teaching. The Camille Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Awards Program provides an unrestricted research grant of $75,000.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must hold a full-time tenure-track academic appointment.
- Applicants must have been appointed no earlier than mid-year 2012. Per the Dreyfus Foundation: "Most awardees are 3-4 years into their appointments. First- and second-year applicants are not normally competitive."
- Applicants must be from a PhD-granting department in which scholarly research is a principal activity.
- Undergraduate education must be an important part of the applicant’s activities.
Award Background:

- An unrestricted research grant of $75,000
- Only one nominee per institution
- Past UMass Recipients:
  - 2014 - Paul Dauenhauer - "Production of Renewable Chemicals and Fuels by High Temperature Pyrolysis Chemistry of Cellulose"
  - 2011 - George Huber - "The Development of Catalytic Chemical Processes for Producing Hydrocarbon Fuels and Chemicals from Renewable Biomass Sources"
- Approximately 13-15 awards per year
- List of Past Awardees - we strongly recommend reviewing past grants to determine competitiveness.

Deadlines

Internal: December 21, 2017
External: February 8, 2018

Internal Application Process

One candidate will be selected from UMass Amherst to submit to this opportunity. The internal selection process will be led by the research deans of applicants' colleges and informed by the Camille Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Award Program's guidelines and submission requirements.

If you are interested in applying to this program please email a pre-proposal with the following items, in the order listed, in a single PDF by December 21, 2017 to cfr@admin.umass.edu.

Please include:

- A summary describing your commitment to teaching in the chemical sciences and your teaching accomplishments (up to one page).
- A summary of your research accomplishments and research plans (up to three pages).
- Full CV, including current and pending support.
- Month and year of first appointment as independent researcher (Eligibility - no earlier than mid-year 2012). This can be included in the body of the internal submission email.

Additional Information
The Foundation seeks Camille Dreyfus Teacher-Scholars who demonstrate leadership in research and education. Nominations must provide compelling evidence of the advance of important knowledge in the chemical sciences by the nominee. Further, the nomination should describe dedication and contributions to education in the chemical sciences, particularly with respect to undergraduates.

The nominee's scholarly research achievements are assessed by a panel of distinguished faculty in the chemical sciences. The letters of recommendation should address the nominee's research accomplishments as an independent faculty member. Other considered factors are: awards and honors, publication of research achievements in leading journals, and success in attracting research funding. Please review current Camille Dreyfus Teacher-Scholars to ascertain your competitiveness.

For more information, visit the program's website. If you have questions on the Camille Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Awards Program, please contact Liz Smith in Corporate and Foundation Relations.