

Taking Your Scholarship to the Next Level

Key Questions to Consider:	Your Notes:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ What are you doing as an educator that you are excited about and want to share with others? ▪ What is the problem or gap you are trying to address (give a clear description, including stakeholders and their concerns)? 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Who are you going to collaborate with? 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Do you need to get IRB clearance before you can begin? ▪ If you've already completed the project, can you get retrospective approval (IRB or otherwise) to disseminate the findings? 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Describe the idea/project (i.e., course, curriculum, assessment method/tool, or other innovation). 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Do you have (or did you use) a conceptual framework (i.e., a theory, model, or set of "best practices") to guide your project? If so, describe. 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ What literature have you read? The literature will help you determine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If the idea has been tried or implemented elsewhere? ○ If so, how was it evaluated, what conceptual framework was used, and how is your idea different, unique, or innovative? 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Who are your participants? ▪ What is the setting? 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ How did (or will) you measure your project's outcomes (e.g., changes in attitude or performance [grade/score improvements], feasibility measures like % complete, time to implement, # of faculty needed)? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ In other words, how will you know if your idea worked; how will others know if it can work at their institution? 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Have you carefully designed and tested out your data collection tools (e.g., surveys, ratings, assessment tools, interview questions, etc.)? If so, how (e.g., pilot testing, expert reviews, etc.)? 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ What are your results? What did you find? 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Where could you publish or present this idea/project? ▪ What article type is best? What would you need to do to get it across the finish line and make it publishable? 	