Clark college earns science grant

$134,750 will buy piece of chemistry equipment

Clark College will be able to extend its chemistry course offerings by acquiring a new piece of equipment with a $134,750 National Science Foundation grant.

As chair of the House subcommittee on research and science education, U.S. Rep. Brian Baird, D-Vancouver, helped secure the funds to help the department implement a program in organic and general chemistry using Fourier-Transform Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (FT-NMR) Spectroscopy.

The grant will help the college obtain a spectrometer for student use so they can learn to use the powerful analytic tool, according to a news release from Baird's office.

"The National Science Foundation provides vital grant funding for students interested in strengthening their skills in the fields of science, mathematics and engineering," Baird said.

A former psychology professor at Pacific Lutheran University, Baird said the grant will enhance community growth and broaden the students' education.

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Grant aimed at students over 50

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A new $70,000 grant awarded to Clark College will help launch a three-year pilot project to develop programs that help older workers.

"That's the crux of a new community college initiative," said Tracy Reilly-Richardson, executive director of the Clark College Foundation.

The grant will allow Clark College to develop and implement a new course to help older workers. The course will be offered as a part-time, flexible program, allowing students to work while they earn their degrees.

"This is a great opportunity for Clark College," said Reilly-Richardson. "It will help prepare our students for the workforce and help them get ahead in their careers."