

Purpose

The International Collaborative Research Grants support international research, projects, and programs initiated by faculty with scholars around the world. The aim is to promote collaborative and inter-institutional research and scholarship with existing or new international partners. These grants are designed to serve as seed funding for expanded research and funding.

Successful proposals will outline a collaborative research project that makes a significant contribution to advancing a particular field of study. The proposed activity will also broaden or deepen Rutgers' overall academic collaboration with an existing international university partner or will establish a new partnership that clearly offers opportunities for scholarly collaboration between the partner and additional Rutgers units in the future. For a full list of Rutgers' institutional partners, visit: <https://internationalpartnerships.gaiacenters.rutgers.edu/>.

Approximately ten proposals will be awarded up to \$8,000. Funds will be available to be used by February 28, 2022.

This grant does not support short-term lecturing or attendance at international conferences or symposia.

Evaluation Criteria

The Review Committee will evaluate and rank all proposals. In selecting proposals to be funded, priority will be given to proposals that:

- Have high research value;
- Strengthen an institutional partnership between Rutgers and a current partner institution or offer the potential to develop a productive and sustainable relationship with a new institution;
- Are interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary in nature;
- Will use the funds as seed money to develop a project or initiative with potential to have a long-term impact on one or more university units and/or to lead to external funding.

Application and Submission Requirements

1. All faculty (tenured, tenure-track, clinical, or NTT faculty) with Rutgers appointments that continue at least through December 31, 2021, who do not have current Rutgers Global Grants, are eligible to apply. (*NTT faculty will need to provide a letter from their Dean, Chair, or Director stating support for the proposal, and that it is expected that the applicant is in a position which will be renewed for the duration of the grant period, 2020-2022*).
2. Proposals may be individual—submitted by a faculty member—or institutional—submitted by programs, institutes, centers, departments, or schools.

3. Proposals must be a collaboration between Rutgers faculty and faculty/programs from a foreign institution.
4. Proposals should focus on topics that have international and/or global implications, understanding of which is advanced by the proposed collaboration with partners.

Proposals Must Include:

1. Application cover sheet, including a summary/abstract of the proposed research (150 words maximum).
2. Research/program description (3 pages maximum) that includes a list of proposed activities, a timetable, and a brief description of project outcomes (i.e., publications; external sources of funding that will be sought upon completion of the pilot project including funding agency and specific programs, if available; conferences planned; and other outcomes).
3. List of participants from Rutgers and the partner institution.
4. Written verification from the project director at the partnering institution confirming interest in participating, outlining the importance of the collaboration, and noting its intended impact on the partner institution.
5. Detailed budget and budget narrative. Please see attached budget guidelines for details regarding expenditures that may or may not be charged to the grant.
6. Two-page CV for each principal applicant at Rutgers and the partner institution.

Compliance

Any research with human subjects, animals, biosafety, REHS, or hESCRO must undergo all necessary compliance reviews. No funds will be transferred until the PI has submitted an endorsement form (signed by the PI and department chair/school dean).

Reporting

In order to receive the full amount of funding awarded, all recipients are required to submit a short one-page interim report, detailing the progress of the project by February 1, 2021. A final written report summarizing the results of the internationalization initiative will be due by April 11, 2022. Final budget reports must also be submitted along with a budget narrative that details how the grant funds were used.

Deadline

Proposals are due by **5:00 PM on Friday, February 28, 2020**. Electronic submissions are required and should be sent to grants@global.rutgers.edu. Save your file as LastNameFirstName_CollaborativeResearchGrant (i.e. SmithJohn_CollaborativeResearchGrant). Awards are expected to be announced by May 2020.

Inquiries

Questions about the program may be directed to Dr. Rick H. Lee, Director of Global Programs and Partnerships, Rutgers Global at rick.lee@global.rutgers.edu or 848-932-3093.