International Collaboration Grant

Purpose

To develop or enhance current international connections between UM faculty and their counterparts in academic/research institutions abroad with the hope that a focus on areas of mutual interest will lead to expanded international collaborations.

Eligibility

- Open to all tenured and tenure-track faculty pursuing international research, collaboration, and technical assistance initiatives. While both populations are eligible, preference will be given to untenured tenure-track faculty.
- To be eligible, faculty must identify and commit to making presentations, writing articles, and/or other scholarly activities as a result of the project enabled by the International Collaboration Grant, thus expanding UM's global footprint.

Guidelines

- Grants will range from $1,000 to $4,000 each. Proposals are strengthened by matching support from another UM unit (department/school/college).
- Support for conference participation is not the primary goal of the grant. Conference participation requests absent articulated collaboration efforts or presentations will be lower priority.
- Collaboration with existing partners to create strategic partnerships with overseas institutions will be considered of higher priority. A list of existing partners is located at oge.olemiss.edu.
- Proposals by faculty who have not received the grant in a previous funding round will be prioritized.
- To be funded, proposed travel must be necessary to the articulated output of the identified research collaboration.
- Proposals may be funded in an amount less than requested and are dependent upon budget restrictions.

Deadlines

Applications will be accepted at any time, from one year before travel, with a new round of applications beginning August 1 of each year. All complete applications received by the 15th of each month will be reviewed as a batch by the 25th. Example: For travel beginning anytime in November, the application is due no later than October 15 at 5:00 p.m. If the 15th falls on a weekend or holiday, applications are due the next working day. Submit applications to oge@olemiss.edu.

Evaluation Criteria and Procedures

Vetting and approval of proposals will be done with input from a committee appointed to assist with the selection process. The following will be taken into account by the review team:

- *Quality of the proposal.* The research and technical assistance activities contemplated by the proposal should be high quality, innovative, and clearly articulated.
- *Importance and strategic fit.* The proposal will receive a more favorable consideration if it complements research programs that already exist at UM and the partner institution.
- *Partnership development.* The proposal should demonstrate the potential to develop or deepen sustainable collaborations with institutions and individuals abroad, contributing to the internationalization of UM.
- *Sustainability.* The proposal must articulate a credible plan to foster sustainable future international collaborations.

Award Conditions

An initial report will be due one year after the start of funding. These reports should focus on what was accomplished, including papers and presentations, and the status of attempts to further collaboration efforts.

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Name	
Project Title	
Partner Institution, Country	
Have you applied for ORSP Faculty Travel Support?	

University of Mississippi Faculty, Students, and Staff Participating in the Collaboration:

Name	Dept/School (List Primary and Secondary Appointments)	Academic Rank	Email Address

Partner Faculty, Students, and Staff Participating in the Collaboration:

Name	Dept/School (List Primary and Secondary Appointments)	Academic Rank	Email Address
Amount Requested	Matching Funds	Source	Project Period/Duration

Signature of UM Principal Investigator	

1. Cover Page

2. Project Summary & Rationale
This section should be written for an individual who is not an expert in the field. Explain how the research meets the purpose of the award. Demonstrate how it will stimulate the growth of the overall research and programs of each applicant and academic unit. Describe plans for the sustainability of the collaboration, including broad engagement at both universities, and approval by appropriate university leaders. Describe how the success of the project will be assessed. This section must not exceed 1 page of single-spaced text.

3. Statements from Partner Institution and UM Dean
Provide written verification (letters or emails) that the project director at the partner institution shares the estimate of the potential of the research and that the project has the backing of the appropriate university leadership of the partner institution. A letter of endorsement from the dean of the faculty member's school/college is required.

4. Budget
Provide a budget with estimated expenses. Budgets must include a breakdown of costs for airfare, lodging, meals, incidentals, and any other expenses with an explanation of the costs in each of those categories, as well as the total requested amount. Contributions from external or internal sources should be fully described in the budget, and if such resources are available, contributions of personal resources will reflect favorably on the proposal. If matching funds are involved, additional documentation must be submitted verifying the source. For guidance on allowable reimbursements and current meal allowance rates, see the UM Office of Procurement Services' website. All expenses will need to be itemized as with any other work-related travel. See the table below for line item examples.

Cost Category	Amount	Matching Funds (Source)	Total Remaining/ Requested	Explanation
Airfare	$1,500	$750 (Dean)	$750	1 ticket to Paris, France
Lodging	$2,450	$1,200 (ORSP Grant)	$1,250	$175/night for 14 nights

5. Curriculum Vitae
Provide a C.V. for each participant listed on the cover page.

6. Submission
Please submit all application materials to oge@olemiss.edu.