

Global Enhancement Fund

Call for Proposals

Duke has significant research and expertise in Brazil, India, and East Africa. Wishing to foster interdisciplinary collaboration and establish strategic partnerships in these regions and countries, the Office of Global Affairs (OGA) will award grants to faculty members for new projects in these countries/regions, or on topical projects that may touch upon one or more of these countries/regions. Priority will be given to projects that forge or strengthen connections with in-country collaborators and extend original areas of research.

What kinds of projects are candidates for funding?

- Pilot research projects or research collaborations, particularly those that involve linkages with local universities, NGOs, and/or government agencies
- Development of new courses or other educational opportunities (e.g., fieldwork or travel components of campus-based courses, internships with local partners) at the undergraduate or graduate level
- Conferences, workshops or symposia involving collaboration with in-country experts or organizations to be held on Duke's campus

Priority will be given to projects which:

- Have cross-cutting or multidisciplinary components
- Forge connections with in-country collaborators (universities, institutes, NGOs, etc.)
- Engage more than one of the priority locations (Brazil, India, East Africa)
- Include opportunities for student engagement
- Focus on one or more of the following issue areas, at a global level: citizenship and migration; conflict in a historical context; cultural heritage preservation; environment; energy; water; development; health; policy (and how the interpretative social sciences and the humanities might contextualize, visualize, and/or inform these subjects)
- Are new, exploratory projects with the potential to expand into long-term, sustainable research programs, courses or internship offerings
- Identify possible sources or strategies for attracting external funding after an initial year of funding from the Global Enhancement Fund.

Who is eligible to apply?

Regular-rank Duke faculty (individually or in groups) from schools, departments, institutes, centers, and initiatives are all eligible to apply. Applications must be submitted by a faculty member with the authority to serve as a principle investigator who will assume primary scholarly, administrative, and financial responsibility for the project.

How much funding is available?

Award amounts will be determined individually by project, but will typically be up to \$25,000 per year for research and partnership development projects and up to \$7,500 for course development. All will be awarded on a one-year basis, though there is the possibility of renewal by reapplying.

What is required to apply?

Applications require:

- A cover page
- A letter of support from the dean(s) of the applying school, institute or initiative director, or chair(s) of the relevant department(s)
- Letter of commitment from the faculty member assuming primary scholarly, administrative, and financial responsibility for the project
- Letters from collaborating faculty, describing their commitments
- Description of project, expected participants, and impact (5 pages max)
- Detailed budget, by expense category (e.g., facility rental, travel, and materials; salaries, stipends, and course buyouts are not allowable expenses)
- Description of any additional funds received for this project
- Other letters of support, as appropriate (e.g., external collaborators, other institutions or investigators)

Applications should be sent to Colette.Watt@duke.edu and must be received by **Monday, March 20, 2017 for projects to start in summer 2017.**

How will proposals be reviewed?

Proposals will be reviewed by a committee representing a range of disciplines and schools, who will make funding recommendations to OGA.

What is required of grantees?

Faculty receiving awards will be expected to provide full reporting of funds spent. Unspent funds must be returned.

Additionally, fund recipients consent to provide progress updates and have news of their work shared via external communications, such as the Duke Global website, or other press releases and publications, and to present their work at appropriate forums on campus.

Awardees should compose a final report to be submitted no later than 30 days after the end of the award period.

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