The Council for International Teaching and Research’s Global Collaborative Networks Fund (GCNF) facilitates international scholarly networks that engage Princeton with centers of learning worldwide. GCNF grants help to build and sustain scholarly collaborations that promote career development in an international context for Princeton scholars at all levels of seniority. The overall goal is to enhance Princeton-based scholars’ efforts to design and to participate in global networks by offering resources for the creation and expansion of international collaboration.

The Global Collaborative Networks Fund acknowledges the plurality of approaches to global network building; whole styles and foundations vary by discipline, topic and world region. We do not advocate any particular approach to global collaboration. Applicants will be expected to explain to the selection committee the reasons for their approach to building partnerships.

The Director of the Council welcomes initial conversations with potential applicants. Proposals of current networks can be viewed at: http://www.princeton.edu/international/partnerships/council/research/ and may serve as examples of the type of projects for which GCNF support is appropriate. Proposals may be submitted from individual faculty members or groups of faculty, but must have a Princeton faculty member as PI (Principal Investigator) in all cases. Given the importance of academic programming, faculty members are urged to discuss their ideas with relevant chairs, deans, and directors at an early stage of planning.

General Considerations
- Preference given to projects that contribute to the internationalization of departments, centers, or programs
- Preference given to projects that enhance the intellectual life of departments, centers and programs
- Preference given to projects that also foster internal University collaborations, including those with graduate students

Budget Constraints
- Available funds limit grants to no more than $75,000 per year
- Grants may be allocated for terms of 1 to 3 years with an optional fourth un-funded year
- Grants may not be used to pay for teaching
- Grant funds may not be used to pay salaries or stipends of any kind
- Grant funds are limited to Princeton-based scholars and participating network partners outside the U.S.
- The Council does not provide direct staff support for projects

Selection Criteria
- Contribution to the goals and objectives of the University’s internationalization initiative
- General intellectual value, creativity and innovation, not the specific technical or disciplinary merit of the project (which is beyond the expertise of the Council to evaluate)
- Feasibility given the constraints of funding and other resources
• Significance in a specifically international context
• Promotion of collaboration, both internal to Princeton and external
• Contribution to the scholarly quality of University departments, programs or centers
• Career development for participating scholars
• Description of Library and Information Technology needs of the collaboration (we strongly urge applicants to confer with staff in library services and the Office of Information Technology prior to submission of the proposal)

Proposal Requirements and Evaluation Process

Stage 1: Submission of a letter of intent that includes a short project description, a preliminary budget, the Principal Investigator’s CV, a list of intended collaborators, and a list of other possible sources of funding.
  • The ways in which the network will foster exchanges of scholars and students between Princeton and their home institution.
  • Identify potential sources of matching support from the hosting University departments, programs and schools.
  • Application Deadline Stage 1: October 14, 2013
  • Notification Stage 1: November 11, 2013; at or before notification, the Council will provide feedback to the proposers regarding the suitability of the project for GCNF support and about key issues the Stage 2 proposal should address.

Stage 2: Submission of the full proposal with an accompanying narrative project description of no more than 12 pages that includes:
  • An executive summary overview description of the field of study and general intellectual context of the project suitable for a non-specialist audience
  • An explanation how the proposal will promote global networking
  • An explanation how it will situate Princeton scholars in the network
  • Identification of the ways in which the network will enhance the careers of all levels of participants, from students to senior scholars
  • Illustration of how the network will promote the internationalization of departments, centers, programs or institutes at Princeton
  • A detailed plan for the operation and functions of the network
  • Identification of global partners, their institutions and their roles in the project
  • The ways in which the Network would foster exchanges of scholars and students between Princeton and their home institution.
  • Identify potential sources of matching support from the hosting University departments, programs and schools.

In addition to the narrative, proposals should include:
  • CV’s for principal participants at Princeton and elsewhere (individual professional bibliographies are not required)
  • A detailed year-by-year budget with amounts specified by category (travel, hosting, conference, organization, etc.), plus annual totals
  • A discussion of any additional resources (office or laboratory space, library access etc.) required for the project and of their availability
  • Letters of participation and support from partner colleagues at other institutions
  • Approval of the relevant Princeton chairs, deans or directors
Application Deadline Stage 2: March 25, 2014  
Notification Stage 2: April 21, 2014

Final decisions will be made by a selection committee of the Council.

All grants require brief annual reports to be submitted at the end of each year of the grant.

**Renewals**
Under some circumstances GCNF project grants may be renewed
Renewal applications must demonstrate:
  - that funds have been sought elsewhere to support the network(s)
  - that previous GCNF support has produced records of success in the terms laid out in the original proposal.

**Submission**
Stage 1 and 2 proposals are to be submitted in MSWord or .pdf format by email to Sharon Kulik (sakulik@Princeton.EDU, 8-6592) no later than 5:00 pm on the designated due dates

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