2017 - CALL FOR JOINT PROJECTS
PROPOSALS DEADLINE—JUNE 30, 2017
PROPOSALS DEADLINE EXTENDED – JULY 21, 2017

ELIGIBILITY

The Alliance Call for Joint Projects is open to full-time officers of instruction of professorial rank, from all disciplines at Columbia University, École Polytechnique, Sciences Po, and Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne University.

Projects must be presented jointly by at least one faculty member from Columbia University and one faculty member from any one of the three French institutions.

Third parties may be part of the Joint Project team as long as the team includes at least one faculty member from Columbia University and at least one faculty member from any one of the three French Alliance institutions.

The Alliance Program will fund up to $15,000/project for travel, materials, technological support, and other expenses in the design/implementation of the project. The grant cannot be used for salary, stipends, Per Diem, or teaching-assistant wages.

Principal investigators from Columbia University must inform the Dean/Chair, and the Director of Administration and Finance of their School/Department of their application to this grant.

Applications must be submitted by an individual with the authority to serve as a principal investigator, who will assume primary scholarly, administrative, and financial responsibility for the project at Columbia University.

Applicants with projects that include student travel are required to consult with Columbia’s Office of Global Programs (for programs that involve undergraduates), or the Dean of Students of the associated School (for programs that involve graduate students).

Please note that if your project involves course work or seeks to grant credit, and the project is funded, proper approvals from all committees and academic offices will need to be obtained.

Eligible project could include:
Thematic doctoral workshops with students and faculty members from both institutions.

Joint conferences, seminars.

Any teaching, reinventing and challenging traditional methods.

Special consideration will be given to those projects which aim to promote sustainable relationships between departments or schools in the Alliance network.

APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS

Application required documents must be sent in English, to alliance@columbia.edu (in this order):

1. Cover page including the project title, e-mail, telephone number and affiliation of each principal investigator and link to their CV online.

2. Abstract outlining the joint project in a one-paragraph summary suitable for public reports, publicity materials, and the Alliance website.

3. Narrative (suggested length of two pages, five pages maximum) describing the research question, theoretical foundations, existing literature, empirical and methodological facets, the relevance of transatlantic collaboration in the field and the project’s potential for encouraging future endeavors between the two institutions. Please also mention if the project intends to attract external funding.

4. Detailed budget (one page) detailing the budget of the joint project with amounts specified by category (travel, accommodation, catering etc.) and a provisional timeline. Please note that the Joint Projects Grant will not cover any types of salary, stipends, per diem or teaching-assistant wages.

5. Letters of support (required) from collaborating faculty, describing their commitments.

6. Letters of support (as appropriate) from external collaborators, other institutions or investigators and from other external funding sources.

REVIEW PROCESS

Applications are assessed by external reviewers in their disciplines.

The evaluation will take into account:
☐ The academic quality of the project and relevance of pedagogical innovation
☐ The relevance of the transatlantic partnership
☐ The coherence and the consistence of the budget and the potential to attract external support

The consistency of the team and its addition to the broader research interest of applicants’ departments and research centers but also the strong potential for further collaboration.

Results will be announced by the end of 2017.

REQUIREMENTS OF GRANT RECIPIENTS

Project timeline: The first project-related expenses should be incurred within one year of the date of award. All expenses and activities should be incurred within one year from the date of the first expenses.

Project report: Recipients are required to submit to Alliance a final Academic Report on the research conducted.

Acknowledgement: When recipients receive external grants based on the Alliance seed grant, they are expected to acknowledge the support of the “Alliance Program Joint Projects Grant” in any papers, publications or resumes and to provide the Alliance team with copies of these papers and publications.

Payment of the grant: The funds will be transferred to the department of the principal investigator at Columbia University, who will assume primary scholarly, administrative, and financial responsibility for the project.

All Columbia University students and faculty members that will travel internationally within an Alliance granted project will refer to the International Travel Planning Policy, and are encouraged to register their travels through the University’s Global Travel website.

CONTACTS

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