

# 2018 – Call for Joint Projects Deadline: June 22 2018

#### 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.

Projects that include third parties from other academic institutions are strongly encouraged, as long as the project team includes at least one faculty member from Columbia University and at least one faculty member from any one of the three French institutions.

The Alliance Program will fund projects **up to \$15,000** for travel, materials, technological support, and other expenses related to the design and 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 their Dean or Department Chair, and their Director of Administration and Finance 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 funded-project involves coursework or seeks credit, proper approvals from all committees and academic offices will need to be obtained, if the project is selected.



## Eligible projects may include:

- Thematic doctoral workshops with students and faculty members from both institutions
- Joint conferences, and seminars
- Any form of teaching that aims to challenge and reinvent traditional teaching methods. In particular, we are inviting project proposals that feature the development of joint courses to be delivered to students in two or more Alliance partner institutions (including through online, face-to-face and hybrid methodologies)
- Although grants may not be used to produce a publication, we strongly encourage project proposals that lead to the publication of articles in peer-reviewed journals

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

#### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

Applications must include the following documents and must be submitted in English to: alliance@columbia.edu in the following order:

- 1. Cover page including the project title, e-mail, telephone number, and affiliation of each principal investigator
- 2. Abstract outlining the joint project in a one-paragraph summary suitable for public reports, publicity materials, and the Alliance website
- 3. Narrative (five pages maximum) describing the research question, theoretical foundations, project objectives, a list of deliverables, existing literature, methodology, relevance of transatlantic collaboration in the field, future publication opportunities emerging from the project, potential for project expansion, growth and sustainability, as well as and the project's potential for encouraging future endeavors and partnerships between participating institutions
- 4. Curriculum vitae of project investigators
- 5. One-page budget (one page) detailing the cost allocation of the joint project with amounts specified by category (travel, accommodation, catering etc.) and a provisional timeline. Please note that the Joint Project Grants do not cover salaries, stipends, Per Diem or teaching-assistant wages
- 6. At least two letters of support from collaborating faculty, confirming their commitment to the project
- 7. Letters of support, as appropriate, from external collaborators, other institutions or investigators and from other external funding sources



Note: If a successful project presents clear and evident potential for expansion, growth and sustainability, the Alliance Program will offer to work with principal investigators to identify additional sources of funding, particularly among US foundations, and will support outreach to potential funders as well as the application process, if relevant.

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#### **REVIEW PROCESS**

Applications will be assessed by the Alliance Program Scientific Committee

The evaluation will take into account:

- The academic quality of the project and relevance of pedagogical innovations it proposes
- The relevance and strength of the international partnership being built and developed through the project
- A well-structured and cost efficient budget
- The project's potential for expansion, growth and sustainability and its capacity to attract external support
- The strength of the project team and the project's added value to broader research and academic interests within applicants' institutions as well as the strong potential for further collaboration

#### Results will be announced by November 2018.

#### **REQUIREMENTS FOR 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 two years of the date of the award.

**Project Report**: Recipients are required to submit to the Alliance Program a detailed report on the project, including objectives met, achievements, outcomes, partnerships created, existing or prospective publications generated by the project, long-term impact and sustainability. The report must be submitted within three (3) months of the project's conclusion.

**Acknowledgement**: Recipients must acknowledge the support of the "Alliance Program Joint Projects Grant" in any papers, publications, academic and public events related to the project and are required to provide the Alliance team with copies of these papers, publications, as well as conference and seminar programs.



**Payment of the grant**: The grant will only be awarded after submission of original receipts for all expenses. 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 who will travel internationally as part of an Alliance granted project should refer to the <u>International Travel Planning Policy</u>, and are encouraged to register their travels through the <u>University's Global Travel website</u>.

## CONTACT

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