NYU GLOBAL SEED GRANTS FOR COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH
NEW YORK-ABU DHABI-SHANGHAI

Application Deadline: October 19, 2015

The Office of the Provost of NYU, together with the Provosts of NYU Abu Dhabi and NYU Shanghai, announce an open competition for a new research seed fund to support multi-campus/global research collaborations. The purpose of this program is to support research that strengthens collaborations between the schools at NYU in New York and the portal campuses at NYU Abu Dhabi and NYU Shanghai, to develop research capacity across NYU campuses, to gain outlook and knowledge in international settings, and possibly to serve as a platform for obtaining future extramural funding.

ELIGIBILITY

All tenured and tenure track faculty in all NYU academic units are eligible to apply as Principal Investigators. Arts Professors of all ranks are also eligible to apply as PI's. Other full-time faculty who have PI status to conduct research in their portal campus are eligible to apply as PI's, and all full-time faculty may participate as project team members.

Proposals require at least two Principal Investigators from at least two separate campuses.

Proposals will be accepted in any academic discipline represented at the University and from any academic unit including the NYU School of Medicine.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Significant intellectual merit and potential for advancing the field and opening new directions of research; feasibility of the plan and methodology
- The extent to which the project will contribute to advancing long term research partnerships
- Clear delineation of the role of each PI in conducting the work; experience and potential of the project investigators to conduct the proposed research
- Potential for future extramural funding

Proposals will be reviewed by the Global Collaborative Research Advisory Committee, to be established, a joint committee from NYU in New York, NYU Abu Dhabi, and NYU Shanghai.

BUDGET

Proposals may request project funding from $20,000 to $75,000 per year for a project period of up to two years.

All funds will be used for direct costs (not subject to overhead), including personnel (postdoctoral researchers, students, technicians, and other non-faculty project personnel) and non-personnel costs, including project-related travel, research materials and supplies, meeting costs, participant payments, and honoraria. Funds cannot be used for faculty salaries, travel unrelated to the project, conferences,
consultants, or office equipment. Support requested for computers and other IT expenses must be strongly justified as relevant and necessary to the specific project.

The budget should delineate both the distribution of funding and commitment of PI time between NYU in New York and NYU Abu Dhabi and NYU Shanghai, and should reflect the essentially collaborative nature of the project.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

The application must include:

• Cover sheet, including names of PIs and school affiliations, title of the proposal, requested funding and project period
• Abstract of the proposal (lay terminology) - 1 page
• Project Description - between 5 and 7 pages
• Project Team: Skills and commitment that each PI brings to the proposal and suitability of each site for the research—½ page
• Evaluation plan: how success will be gauged and measures for sustainability for the long-term endurance of research partnership – ½ page
• Plans, if any, for extramural support – ½ page
• References – up to 1 page
• Budget (personnel, supplies, etc. – word or excel format – preferably a 2-column excel sheet) and a budget narrative
• Current and pending external support for each PI
• Biographical sketch (limited to 2 pages for each PI, following NIH or NSF format)
• Letter of support from Chairpersons of each PI (or for those units without departments, from the appropriate Deans or Divisional Deans) attesting to the importance of the research and its collaborative nature.

Further guidance:

• The Project Description must state the significance of the research, its potential impact; specific goals, objectives and anticipated results; description of methods; and the resources needed for this project and their availability.
• No additional information other than that requested above will be reviewed.
• For proposals that include human or animal research subjects, awards will not be released without institutional approval by the appropriate institutional review board.
• Each awarded project will be required to submit a narrative and fiscal “project report” at the end of the project period.

DEADLINES AND TIMETABLE

Direct questions and submit full proposals as one PDF by 5 p.m. on October 19, 2015 to: Farooq Niazi, Office of the Provost, Director of Provostial Research Programs (farooq.niazi@nyu.edu).

Awards will be announced by December 1, 2015.
The earliest project start date is January 15, 2016.

Applicants are encouraged to advise Mr. Niazi of intent to apply by September 15, 2015.

To learn about other institutional funding opportunities, see http://www.nyu.edu/about/leadership-university-administration/office-of-the-president/office-of-the-provost/redirect/institutional-support-for-faculty.html.