OBJECTIVE:
The NC State Internationalization Seed Grant program is designed to encourage strategic and deliberate international collaborations that lead to two or more of the following:

- Developing joint international research proposals for external grants
- Improving university linkages/relationship with meaningful activities (not necessarily a MOU)
- Study abroad programs or other student exchange activities that align with Curriculum Integration efforts
- Adjunct appointment in partner universities
- Organization of large international conferences/workshops
- Scholarly activities for improving NC State’s international profile

The maximum award, not including any cost sharing funds from the domestic and international partners, is $5000. Cost sharing is highly encouraged.

GUIDELINES:

1. Any NC State faculty or staff is eligible to apply. The proposal must have the endorsement of an appropriate administrator (typically the applicant’s supervisor) to be considered for funding.
2. Previous applicants may re-apply if the project substantively differs from the earlier proposal. However, outstanding final reports (https://global.ncsu.edu/seed-grant-reporting-form/) for funding programs sponsored by the Office of Global Engagement will deem applicants ineligible for this funding cycle.
3. Proposals must show evidence of support from the home department or college, and include letters of support from all domestic and international partners. Letters of support should demonstrate long term commitment to the project, and provide details of any direct financial contributions or in-kind support of the proposed collaboration.
4. The budget is limited to travel-related expenses for necessary reciprocal travel (visits in either direction), for the arrangement of workshops, conferences, or other fruitful collaborations.
5. This program is designed to seed new activities and therefore proposals that piggyback on an established project or initiative with existing funding are discouraged.
6. Funding is not intended to support individual research projects. Activities that focus on partnership building and enhancing internationalization at NC State will be prioritized.
7. Individual attendance at research conferences will not be supported.
REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

1. Completed online application
2. Signature page (attached)
3. Abbreviated CV (limited to 2 pages)
4. Budget [Internal grant processing forms are not required]
5. Letters of support (as described in Guideline 3)

All responses to this request for proposals (including required document uploads) should be submitted through our online application at: https://global.ncsu.edu/internationalization-seed-grant-application/.

EVALUATION CRITERIA:
Proposals will be evaluated on four criteria as follows:

Significance/Relevance (40 points) – Proposals should address an issue of significance and be relevant to NC State and our global engagement of students, staff and faculty. Proposals must explore new programs, research, points of engagement, or add to existing strategic priorities.

Feasibility (25 points) – Proposals must demonstrate the feasibility of the program/project during the grant period.

Sustainability (25 points) – Proposals must demonstrate a plan for the scope and impact of the programs/projects beyond the grant period.

Financial (10 points) – Proposals must provide a detailed budget of the funding requested. Direct and/or in-kind cost sharing is strongly encouraged. A line item budget and justification must be submitted as part of the proposal.

PROPOSAL EVALUATION:
The Committee on International Programs (CIP) reviews all proposals, evaluates them based on merit, and provides recommendations to the Office of Global Engagement on those selected for funding. Proposals that do not meet the eligibility requirements or deadlines will not be considered.

PROPOSAL TIMELINE:

- Proposal Announcement – November 20, 2019
- Proposal Deadline – 5:00 pm January 10, 2020 by completing the online application. (Questions can be directed to ncstateglobal@ncsu.edu). Late submissions will not be considered.
- Announcement of Awards – February 2020
- Funds Available – July 1, 2020 (must be spent by June 30, 2021)
- Final Report Deadline– December 31, 2021
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Proposal Due Date: January 10, 2020

APPLICANT INFORMATION
Name:
Title:
College or Department:
Phone:
Email:

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION
By signing this application, I certify that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may result in the removal of this application from review.

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DEPARTMENT CERTIFICATION
I acknowledge that our department has reviewed the proposal and supports this application. I understand that if selected, the participant’s home department is responsible for processing any Travel Authorizations. Participants are eligible for up to $5,000 in funds from the Office of Global Engagement, not to be dispersed prior to July 1, 2020.

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