

NC STATE UNIVERSITY

Committee on International Programs & Office of Global Engagement

INTERNATIONALIZATION SEED GRANTS

2021-2022 Request for Proposals

Proposal Deadline: March 8, 2021

Website: <https://global.ncsu.edu/internationalization-seed-grants/>

OBJECTIVE:

The NC State Internationalization Seed Grant program is designed to encourage strategic and deliberate international collaborations, either online or in person, that strengthen institutional partnerships and lead to at least one of the following:

- Joint international research proposals for external grants
- COIL (Collaborative Online International Learning) or other course structures that provide virtual engagement between US and international students
- 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

Applicants are asked to select the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (UN SDG) which most closely aligns with the proposed project, and to demonstrate this alignment in the application. A maximum of 3 aligned goals are permitted. Proposals are encouraged that include participation in diverse geographic regions or involving underrepresented faculty, students, staff or disciplines.

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 permanent NC State employee 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 reapply 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. This program is designed to seed new activities and therefore proposals that piggyback on an established project or initiative with existing funding are discouraged.
5. Funding is not intended to support individual research projects. Rather, activities should focus on partnership building and enhancing internationalization at NC State.
6. Individual attendance at research conferences will not be supported. Exceptions may be granted if conference attendance occurs in conjunction with additional global engagement activities.
7. The budget may include but is not limited to:
 - necessary reciprocal travel (visits in either direction), for the arrangement of workshops, conferences, online or in-person course development, or other fruitful collaborations
 - equipment, supplies, or services (such as a website developer) that are required for the proposed project

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 such as those in the UN SDGs, 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 – January 15, 2021
- Proposal Deadline – 5:00 pm March 8, 2021 by completing the [online application](#). (Questions can be directed to ncstateglobal@ncsu.edu). **Late submissions will not be considered.**
- Announcement of Awards – April 9, 2021
- Funds Available – July 1, 2021 (must be spent by June 30, 2022)
- [Final Report](#) Deadline – December 31, 2022



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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.

<i>Print Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>
Applicant		

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 disbursed prior to **July 1, 2021**.

<i>Print Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>
Supervisor		