

Global Engagement Institute 2022-23 Call for Nominations

Introduction

The Global Engagement Institute is an annual program by NC State's Office of Global Engagement (NC State Global), in collaboration with colleges and other administrative units across campus, to provide professional development, support, guidance and consultation for faculty and staff interested in developing research, scholarship or academic programs with an international focus. The objective of this Institute is to expand faculty/staff global engagement that will strengthen and enhance NC State collaboration with our global partners.

Each year, we will select a cohort of up to 10 faculty and/or staff members to participate in a variety of professional development activities focusing on a selected world region. For the 2022-23 academic year, expanding academic and research collaboration through the University Global Partnership Network (UGPN) will be our focus. The UGPN is comprised of four universities – NC State, the University of São Paulo, Brazil, the University of Surrey, UK and the University of Wollongong, Australia – and promotes sustainable world-class research, education and knowledge transfer through an active international network of selected universities collaborating in research, learning and teaching to benefit global society.

Programming will include workshops, seminars, expert consultation and culminate with the UGPN Annual Conference hosted by the University of São Paulo in Brazil on May 29 to 31, 2023. The overall theme of the conference is Universities as Anchor Institutions: Local solutions, Global impact. The subtopics are related to the Sustainable Development Goals as follows: Smart Cities/Digital Society (SDGs 4 and 11). Tackling social and Health Vulnerability (SDGs 1,2,3, 8 and 10) and Global Security Challenges (SDGs 11, 12, and 16).

Eligibility

- Full-time permanent NC State faculty (all tracks) or EHRA professional staff are eligible for nomination to the Global Engagement Institute.

Support Provided

NC State Global will dedicate staff, resources, logistics and communication support to programming and partner engagement for this initiative.

- Partnership engagement: NC State Global will liaise with our partner institutions in the region for relationship-building support.

- Global programming: NC State Global will organize a series of on-campus events and activities to enhance professional development, present best practices in international education and facilitate networking among NC State faculty and professional staff with expertise in the region as well as global collaboration.
- Funding: NC State Global will provide financial support up to \$2,500* to facilitate each participant's Institute-related travel, specifically for the conference (e.g., flights, hotels, etc.).

** College/unit-level financial support may be necessary to supplement a portion of their faculty/staff member's travel.*

Application Process and Materials

Candidates should provide the application materials (see bulleted list below) to the college dean or unit director for review. Each college/unit can select up to two (2) nominees for participation, and send application materials to NC State Global at: (ncstateglobal@ncsu.edu). NC State Global will make the final selection of participants based on the application quality and best match with this Institute's objectives.

- A 250-word statement of intention that describes your reasons for applying, interest in the proposed conference topics, and how the Global Engagement Institute experience aligns with your international research, program development interests and career goals.
- Suggested NC State expert(s) who could provide consultation to the Institute participant, either about the UGPN collaboration or activities that align with the participant's aim.
- Abbreviated two-page CV
- Letter of support from the department head or supervisor, affirming that:
 - The candidate's statement of intention for the Global Engagement Institute aligns with unit expectations for the candidate.
 - The unit/department's support for the candidate to engage and fulfill the required Institute responsibilities

Benefits to the Participant

- Structured experience to gain knowledge from NC State faculty and staff members engaged in the UGPN
- Professional development workshops/activities during the Spring semester
- Networking opportunities with other experienced global education leaders
- Funded travel (up to \$2,500) to attend the UGPN conference

Expectations

The following activities are part of the expectations for each Global Engagement Institute member:

- Attendance at orientation lunch (December 9, 11:30 to 1 p.m.)
- Participation in topical seminar or professional development workshops
- Meeting with identified NC State faculty engaged in UGPN
- Participation in the UGPN Annual Meeting at the University of São Paulo
- Status report (accomplishments and next steps) one month after symposium
- Attendance at Global Engagement Exposition (April 19, 2023)
- Join the respective Regional Engagement Team(s) and Global Engagement Gallery

Deliverables

Following the conference, participants will provide a status report or action plan with timetables to articulate specific deliverables, which align with those either set out in the original statement of intention or developed from participation in the Institute. Some examples (not exhaustive or exclusive) may include formulating a joint research project and plans to seek external funding, submitting a Fulbright application, establishing a study abroad program*, organizing a conference/workshop or hosting visiting scholars at NC State.

** If the participant intends to propose development of a study abroad program, please note that there is a formal proposal and approval process in the Study Abroad Office with [specific deadlines](#).*

Role of Expert Consultants

Applicants should identify, in coordination with NC State Global, one or more faculty or qualified staff from NC State with experience in international education, research, scholarship or professional work. Applicants are encouraged to identify expert(s) outside of their department or college based on practical expertise (e.g. Fulbright Scholar or grant recipient) or being actively involved in UGPN collaboration / activities.

Participants and consultants are expected to collaborate on a regular basis, and or schedule meetings as necessary. Consultants are also expected to attend the initial orientation (December TBD), participate in the professional development workshops, and attend the Global Engagement Exposition in the spring (April 19, 2023).



Criteria

Nominees will be evaluated based upon the following criteria:

- **Eligibility:** Full-time permanent NC State faculty or EHRA professional staff
- **Commitment:** Evidence of the applicant's capacity and willingness to commit the time needed to benefit from the Institute experience, and to carry through on outcomes.
- **Interest:** Evidence of the applicant's interest in international, research, or experience and in the personal and professional benefits of the program
- **Endorsement:** Evidence of enthusiastic endorsement from department head or supervisor and nomination by the respective colleges/units.
- **Coherence:** Evidence that the applicant's international interests and plans are consistent with the goals of the Global Engagement Institute.

Timeline

Announcement of Call for Nominations: October 5, 2022

Deadline for Nominations: November 4, 2022

Announcement of selected Global Engagement Institute members: November 18, 2022

Lunch Orientation: December 9, 2022, 11:30 to 1 p.m.

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