Global Synergy Research Grant for Students

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https://www.cla.purdue.edu/research/gradstudentresearchsupport/global.html

Program Description

By fostering innovation and excellence in international and global research among undergraduate and graduate students in the College of Liberal Arts, this program seeks to enhance Purdue’s national and international reputation of research in the arts, humanities, and social sciences.

It will provide financial support for three kinds of student research projects: (a) research proposed in collaboration with an individual faculty member at an international institution; (b) collaborative student projects involving faculty in the CLA at Purdue partnering with faculty at an international institution; and (c) collaborative student projects at the institutional level that involves the CLA at Purdue and an international institution.

Student projects should have at least one faculty sponsor from each institution in order to qualify for the grant.

Emphases will be given on projects that engage partnerships in strategic geographic areas identified by the University including Latin America and South and Southeast Asia; however, research projects in other regions will also be considered. Students may earn research credits for their work through collaboration with a sponsoring faculty member.

Level of Funding

Budgeted at a total support of $50K per year from the College of Liberal Arts, the program will fund approximately two to six projects annually. Each grant will be for one calendar year. The budget for each project will be between $5K and $25K.

Timeline

The starting date for funded projects will be January 1 and all funds must be expended by the end of December.

Allowable Expenses

Undergraduate and graduate students may request funds for a wide variety of research expenses. In particular, funds may be requested for travel for international fieldwork and/or collaborative international meetings, for supporting visit by collaborating students/faculty members from international institutions to Purdue, for research expenses at international sites, for travel to international research sites or to archives with unique collections, for an artist’s expenses in mounting an exhibition or preparing for a performance internationally, or for payments as graduate or undergraduate research assistants collaborating on projects with international scope.

Funds may be requested for expenses of participation in workshops or conferences that are necessary for conducting the proposed research and for discussion or dissemination of the outcomes of the research.

Submission Process

All CLA undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to apply. A student may submit only one application per year. International students are eligible to apply for these grants, with the conditions
being that (1) the international collaborating institution should not be the one from which the students earned their bachelor’s or master’s degree and that (2) the international collaborating faculty should not be the one with whom the student worked prior to coming to Purdue. A complete application consists of:

- **Cover page**
- Description of project (five-page maximum not including bibliography or other ancillary materials)
- Curriculum vitae (two pages)
- Letter of support and agreement from a Purdue faculty sponsor
- Letter of support and agreement from an international faculty sponsor
- Contributions: If the proposal is a collaboration between the applicant and the sponsor(s), a statement should describe respective contributions
- **Budget (completed using budget template provided)** To review worksheets, click links below. 
  - Budget Form, Budget Spreadsheet
- **Itemized budget justification** (template provided for optional use)

Students are expected to consult with a faculty sponsor to develop the budget and budget justification.

*Students are not required to prepare the budget through Pre-Award. Tools are provided as attachments to this call that will assist faculty in estimating Faculty Summer Salary, Graduate Support, and Undergraduate Support. Links will also be provided to aid faculty in estimating travel costs in accordance with Purdue policy. Should you wish to have assistance from the Pre-Award Office, please email centralpreaward@purdue.edu, and a specialist will reply within 8 business hours to provide support.*

Send the application as a single PDF file as an email attachment to Terri Donald at cla-adr@purdue.edu

A faculty committee appointed by the CLA dean will evaluate the applications. The CLA Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education will also serve on the committee. The CLA dean will ask other faculty inside or outside of the college to serve as ad hoc reviewers when their participation would give the committee the expertise needed for reviewing specific proposals. In making the final decisions on grants, whether a student received one of these grants previously may be considered.

Results will be announced in November. Any publications or other products of the grant-related work should include an acknowledgment of the “Global Synergy Research Grant from the College of Liberal Arts”. Grantees will report activities, external grant submissions and outcomes within six months post project period.

**Review Criteria**

In judging the proposals, reviewers will be asked to use several criteria (a) the potential for projects to make significant and original contributions to knowledge at a global level; (b) the collaborative scope of the project from a global perspective; (c) the potential for projects to enhance the visibility and reputations of the applicants, their departments, and the CLA and (d) the quality of the applicants’ previous research in the social sciences, humanities, or arts.