Thank you for joining!
We will begin momentarily

LIVE Q&A WEBINAR
THE 2022 U.S.-ANDEAN INNOVATION FUND COMPETITION

JULY 26, 2022
A COUPLE NOTES

• Recording & materials available within 3-5 business days
  • On our website + follow-up email
• Submit questions via the “Q&A” box in the Zoom window
  • Please don’t use the “Chat” to submit questions
What is the 100K Innovation Fund?

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Director of Regional Education Initiatives  
Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs at U.S. Department of State

Finding a Partner Institution

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EducationUSA Adviser (La Paz, Bolivia)

How to Apply

Competition Eligibility & Requirements  
Proposal Evaluation Criteria

Laura Cossette  
Senior Program Officer  
Partners of the Americas

Question & Answer
278 grants awarded to teams of 534 HEIs

25 countries and 49 U.S. states

Almost 10,000 students and counting

Over 1,000 grant proposals submitted (since 2014)

2,300 HEIs in Innovation Network -- and counting

over $13 million from public / private sectors to support the Innovation Fund since 2013
EDUCATION USA

CLAUDIA SOLIZ

EDUSA ADVISER (LA PAZ, BOLIVIA)
JOIN THE INNOVATION NETWORK

WHERE TO START?

Connect with 2,300+ higher education institutions across the Western Hemisphere

Receive news & updates about competitions, conferences, webinars, and more

WWW.100KSTRONGAMERICAS.ORG/JOIN/
HOW TO APPLY
STEP 1: ONLINE APPLICATION PORTAL

WWW.100KSTRONGAMERICAS.ORG/APPLICATION-PORTAL/
STEP 2: CREATE A PROFILE OR LOGIN TO EXISTING ACCOUNT
STEP 3: COMPLETE REQUIRED TASKS
APPLICATION FORM

1. Summary of Proposed Program
2. Program Goal & Objectives
3. Program Themes/Areas of Study
4. Partnering Institution(s)
5. # of Students Traveling
6. Anticipated Travel Timeline
7. Description of Student Credit
## Technical Narrative (PDF)
- Cover Page
- Table of Contents
- Executive Summary
- Program Description
- Sustainability Plan
- Institutional Capacity, Challenges, and Opportunities for Growth
- Monitoring & Evaluation Plan

## Budget Summary (Excel)

## Budget Narrative (PDF)

## Letters of Support (PDF)

## CVs/Resumes of Project Directors (PDF)

(Optional) Additional Supporting Documents (PDF)

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Applications & all materials must be submitted in English.
This form is part of the application and must be completed by the deadline!

We highly recommend that you send the Partner Information Request(s) at least one week before the deadline, so that your partner institution(s) has/have sufficient time to complete the form.
THE 2022 U.S.-ANDEAN INNOVATION FUND GRANT COMPETITION
ELIGIBILITY
ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES

THE UNITED STATES
COLOMBIA
PERU
ECUADOR
BOLIVIA
Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) located and legally registered in the United States, Colombia, Peru, Ecuador, and Bolivia
Proposals can only include HEI partnerships between the United States and Colombia or between the United States and Peru, Ecuador, and/or Bolivia.
Q: How many institutions can be involved in my proposed project?
A: There is no limit to the number of institutions that can be involved in the project.

Q: Which institution has to submit the application?
A: The primary applicant HEI can be from either the U.S. or the Andean country.

Q: Can we include a partner HEI that is not in the U.S., Colombia, Peru, Ecuador, or Bolivia?
A: For this Innovation Fund competition, only institutions in the listed countries are eligible to apply and be beneficiaries.

Q: How many proposals can my institution submit?
A: There is no limit to the number of proposals that an institution can submit, however, it is unlikely that a single institution will receive more than one grant award in a single grant competition.
AVAILABLE AWARDS

U.S.-COLOMBIA PROGRAMS
9 AWARDS OF UP TO $34,034 USD

U.S.-PERU, ECUADOR, AND/OR BOLIVIA PROGRAMS
9 AWARDS OF UP TO $36,100 USD

*Pending the review process*
## ELIGIBLE THEMATIC AREAS

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ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS & CONSIDERATIONS
### Level of Study

Students can be at any level of post-secondary education.

- Undergraduate
- Graduate
- Doctoral

### Student Credit

Students must receive some level of academic credit from their home institution during or as a result of the proposed program.

### Diverse Students

Special consideration will be given to proposals focused on programs that benefit underserved, non-traditional, and/or diverse student populations.
In-person student mobility is required in at least one direction.

- Bi-directional preferred, but not required.
- **U.S.-Peru/Ecuador/Bolivia Programs:** No minimum/maximum number of students.
- **U.S.-Colombia Programs:** Minimum 4 Colombian students + minimum 1 U.S. student.
- **U.S.-Peru/Ecuador/Bolivia Programs:** No minimum/maximum duration of stay.
- **U.S.-Colombia Programs:** One academic semester and minimum 3 months for Colombian students.

*Given the ongoing challenges & uncertainties due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we understand/encourage proposals that allow for both physical and virtual exchange.*
ADDITIONAL STUDENT REQUIREMENTS FOR U.S.-COLOMBIA PROGRAMS

Refer to the Request for Proposals (RFP) for details on student participant requirements

U.S.-Colombia programs ONLY
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**PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE**

FEBRUARY 1, 2023 – MAY 31, 2024

*Please note that these dates are subject to change*
EVALUATION CRITERIA

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL (80%)
- Cover Page (1 page)
- Table of Contents (1 page)
- Executive Summary & Program Description (40%)
- Sustainability Plan (15%)
- Institutional Capacity, Challenges, and Opportunities for Growth (10%)
- Monitoring & Evaluation Plan (15%)

COST PROPOSAL (20%)
- Budget Summary (15%)
- Budget Narrative (5%)

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS
- CVs/Resumes
- Letters of Support

All application materials must be submitted in English.
HELPFUL RESOURCES

Visit Our Website
https://www.100kstrongamericas.org/app-format/

Request for Proposals
https://www.100kstrongamericas.org/grants/

Past Webinars
https://www.100kstrongamericas.org/events/webinars/
Applying for a 100K Innovation Fund Grant

• Competition eligibility & requirements
• Tips & strategies on how to develop your proposal team and identify the right institutional partners
• An overview of the application portal and highlight other important considerations in the submission process

Tips & Strategies for Developing a 100K Innovation Fund Grant Proposal

• Specific requirements to consider for your proposal
• Evaluation criteria of each proposal section
• Tips & strategies for developing a competitive 100K proposal

Watch webinar recordings and access all webinar materials at
https://www.100kstrongamericas.org/events/webinars/
Please submit questions via the “Q&A” box in your Zoom window. Please do not use the “Chat” box.

Any questions not addressed in this webinar will be answered in a Question & Answer Report, which will be sent to the email you used to register for this webinar within 3-5 business days.

You can also refer to our Grant FAQs page for answers to the most commonly asked questions.
THANK YOU!

For questions or clarifications, contact the Innovation Fund team:

100kstrongamericas@partners.net