Applying for a 100,000 Strong in the Americas Innovation Fund Grant Competition

The 100K CLIMA Colombia Competition

October 23, 2023 3:00PM EST
NEW 100K CLIMA GRANT COMPETITION
TO BUILD BILATERAL INCLUSIVE CLIMATE-FOCUSED STUDENT EXCHANGE & RESEARCH PROGRAMS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND COLOMBIA

Note: See Request for Proposals (RFP) for requirements and themes.

Application Period:
October 5, 2023 - January 31, 2024

Apply at:
www.100kstrongamericas.org
Please Note:

• 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
• List of attendees from today’s webinar

www.100kstrongamericas.org
Agenda

How to Apply, Eligibility and Requirements

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Questions & Answers
100K Innovation Fund Highlights

2013 - 2023

- 315 grants awarded to teams of 578 HEIs
- 25 countries and 49 U.S. states
- Almost 10,000 students and counting
- Over 1,200 grant proposals submitted (since 2014)
- 2,300 HEIs in Innovation Network -- and counting
- Over $20 million from public/private sectors to support the Innovation Fund since 2013
Where to Start:

Join the Innovation Network

www.100kstrongamericas.org/join/

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

Receive news & updates about competitions, conferences, webinars, and more
How To Apply
Step 1: Online Application Portal

www.100kstrongamericas.org/application-portal/
Step 2: Create a Profile

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Step 3: Use an appropriate email

- Account can only be accessed via this email address
- All communications will be sent to this email address
  - Make sure it’s closely monitored!
Step 4: Complete Required Tasks

Test University -

Please complete the following tasks. When you have completed all steps, it will no longer state "Action Required." Instead, it will show "Complete".

Grant Application
When all required information is provided and all steps completed, the "Submit" button to the right will turn green, which means that your Application is ready for submission.

The Application will not be completed until you click the "Submit" button.

Warning: Once you click "Submit", your Application will no longer be available for edits.

1. Application Form
To begin or continue with the Application, please click the "Edit" button to the right.
Once you have completed the Application, you may return here to view or print your submission by clicking the "View" button to the right.

2. Partner Information Request
As part of the Application, you must provide at least one contact person at your partner institution(s), who will be collaborating with you on the implementation of your proposed project. This will be done by sending a request to your contact(s) to complete the required form.
To begin, please click the "Open" button to the right.
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 at least one week before the deadline, so your partner institution(s) has/have sufficient time to complete the form.
More Questions on Application Guidelines?

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

Attend Upcoming Webinars
https://www.100kstrongamericas.org/events/webinars/
or Join the Innovation Network to stay up-to-date
Eligibility
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Eligible Countries

UNITED STATES + COLOMIA

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Eligible Institutions

Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) located and legally registered in the United States and Colombia

Proposals that include one or more
- Historically Black College & University (HBCU),
- Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI),
- Tribal College & University (TCU), and/or
- Community College

in the United States will be found favorable during the evaluation process.

*While your institution may submit any number of proposals, the 100K team will not be selecting more than 2 winning proposals per institution for each 100K competition.
11 grants available to proposals focused on innovative, inclusive student/faculty exchanges

Open to all Colombian departments, but preferred departments include:

- Antioquia
- Bolívar
- Boyacá
- Caldas
- Casanare
- Cauca
- Cesar
- Cundinamarca
- Huila
- La Guajira
- Magdalena
- Meta
- Nariño
- Putumayo
- Quindío
- Risaralda
- Santander
- Tolima
- Valle del Cauca

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Elegible Thematic Areas

- Agriculture
- Climate Technology
- Conservation and reforestation
- Renewable Energy
- Design, Architecture and Construction of Climate-Resilient Infrastructure
- Decarbonization and Electrification

Three (3) of these grants will be allocated to programs focused on the development and sustainable management of cacao and complementary crops (e.g.: plantain, cassava, chili bell peppers, mango, and Tahiti lime) value chains.
Proposal Option #2

5 grants available to proposals that include climate research connected to climate action projects (CAPs) and student/faculty exchange and training programs

- Open to all Colombian departments, but 2-3 grants in this option will be awarded to projects that include at least one HEI based in the Caribbean region of Colombia
Elegible Thematic Areas

- Agriculture
- Bioeconomy
- Circular Economy
- Climate Justice
- Conservation and reforestation
- Integrated Management for Sustainable Cities
- Public Health and Climate
- Sustainable Design, Architecture and Construction
- Sustainable/Electric Transportation
- Water

Three (3) of these grants will be allocated to programs focused on any of these areas and on the development and sustainable management of cacao and complementary crops (e.g.: plantain, cassava, chili bell peppers, mango, and Tahiti lime) value chains.
HEIs must use grant resources to start, sustain, or expand a strategic, ambitious Climate Action Project (CAP) that leverages the unique capacity and skills of the HEI community.

CAPs must fall within one or more Action Categories:

- Research
- Anchor Institution
- Education
- Advocacy
- Administration/finance
- Operations
Available Awards

OPTION #1
11 Grants
$27,174 USD

OPTION #2
5 Grants
$50,000 USD
Additional requirements & considerations
In-person Student mobility

- Bi-directional preferred, but not required
- No minimum/maximum number of students
- No minimum/maximum duration of stay

* In-person student mobility is required in at least one direction
**Level of Study**

Students can be at any level of post-secondary education

- Undergraduate
- Graduate
- Doctoral

**Student Credit**

Required: Students must receive some level of 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.

*Include student Diversity Recruitment Plan*
## Competition Timeline

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<td>Notification of status of proposal</td>
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<td>Award of Grant Funds to Winners</td>
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*Please note that these dates are subject to change*
How can I find a Partner Institution?

- Click here to find an EducationUSA Advising Center
- Join the 100K Innovation Network
- Connect with others from this webinar!
- Contact us at 100kstrongamericas@partners.net

*List of HEIs seeking partners from today's webinar will be distributed to registrants in 3-5 business days*
Join us for our informational webinars!

◆ Learn How to Apply:
  October 23, 2023 / 3:00 - 4:00 pm ET (English)
  24 de octubre, 2023 / 3:00 - 4:00 pm ET (Español)

◆ Tips & Strategies for Strong Proposals:
  November 13, 2023 / 3:00 - 4:00 pm ET (English)
  14 de noviembre 2023 / 3:00 - 4:00 pm ET (Español)

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REGISTER
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Questions?

Please submit questions via the Q&A box in your Zoom window.

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: $100kstrongamericas@partners.net$