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The 100K CLIMA Colombia Innovation Fund Grant Competition

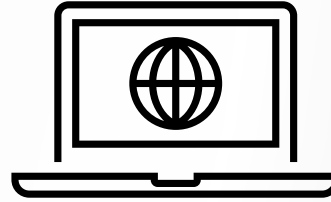
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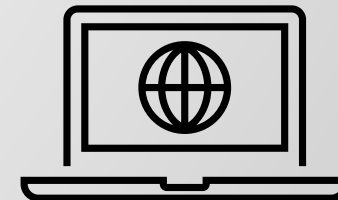


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 - On our website + in a follow-up email
- This presentation will be in English, but questions may be submitted in either English or Spanish.
- Please submit questions via the “Q&A” box in the Zoom window.
 - Please do not use the “chat” box to send questions

Tenga en cuenta:



- La grabación y los materiales estarán disponibles dentro de 5-6 días.
 - En nuestro sitio web y por correo
- Esta presentación será en inglés, pero pueden mandarnos preguntas en inglés o en español
- Envíe preguntas a través del cuadro “Q&A” en la ventana Zoom
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Agenda



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What is the 100K Innovation Fund?

Finding a Partner Institution

**How to Apply, Eligibility and
Requirements
Proposal Evaluation Criteria**

Questions & Answers



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Background

+10 years
(2012-2023)

**Transforming
Higher
Education**



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The 100K Innovation Fund is the public-private sector partnership and collaboration among the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs at the U.S. Department of State (WHA/DOS), U.S. Embassies, and Partners of the Americas, working with companies, foundations, regional government entities, and academic networks throughout the United States, Latin America, and the Caribbean.

The goals of the 100K Innovation Fund align with DOS priorities to build institutional capacity, increase access to inclusive education opportunities, stimulate economic prosperity, and contribute to workforce development.

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100K Innovation Fund Highlights

2013 - 2023



321 grants awarded to teams of 585 HEIs



26 countries and 49 U.S. states



Over 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

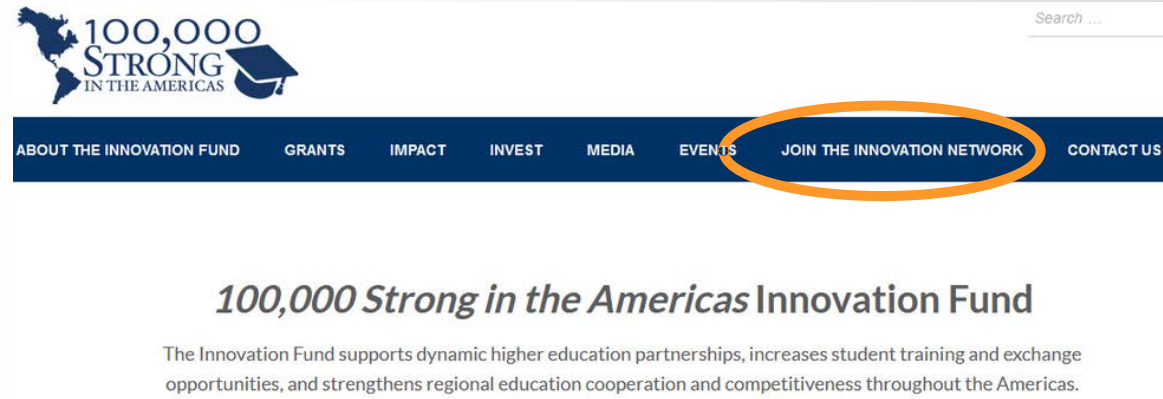


Where to Start:



Join the Innovation Network

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



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



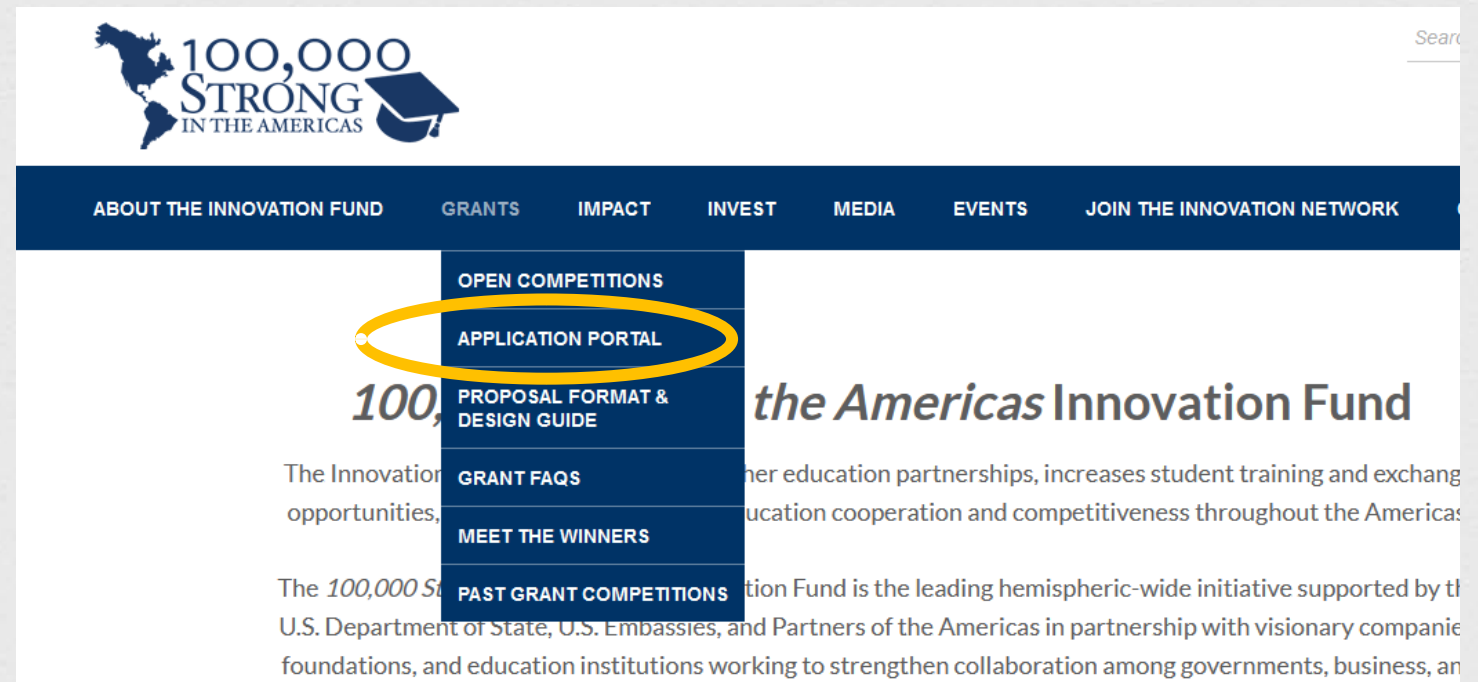
Inspiring **strategic partnerships** between **colleges & universities**
to increase **student mobility** and **training** in the Americas.

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◆ How To Apply

Step 1: Online Application Portal

www.100kstrongamericas.org/application-portal/ 



Step 2: Create a Profile

Applicant Profile Information

Prefix *

Dr.

First Name *

Innovation

Last Name *

Fund

Job Title/Position *

Grant-maker

Department/Unit *

Partners of the Americas

Work Phone *

202-628-3300

Work Email *

100kstrongamericas@partners.net

Please include the country code.

Name of Higher Education Institution *

Test University

Please enter official name in original language. Do not translate. If your institution does not appear, type in "Other" and you should see this as an option on the drop-down box. Select "Other" and enter the name in the text box that appears.

Size and Setting *

ExGP: Exclusively graduate/professional

Type of Higher Education Institution *

Private

Based on the Carnegie Classification of Institutions:

http://carnegieclassifications.iu.edu/classification_descriptions/size_setting.php

Address Line 1 *

1424 K Street NW


Address Line 2

Suite 700

City *

Washington

Step 3: Use an appropriate email



Applicant Profile Information

Prefix *	First Name *	Last Name *
<input type="text" value="Dr."/>	<input type="text" value="Innovation"/>	<input type="text" value="Fund"/>
Job Title/Position *	Department/Unit *	
<input type="text" value="Grant-maker"/>	<input type="text" value="Partners of the Americas"/>	
Work Phone *	Work Email *	
<input type="text" value="202-628-3300"/>	<input type="text" value="100kstrongamericas@partners.net"/>	

Please include the country code.

- 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| -

Order by: Newest to Oldest ▾

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

There are 41 hours remaining
to submit this.

Submit

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

Action Required

Open

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

Action Required

Open

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.

**More
Questions on
Application
Guidelines?**



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◆ Eligibility





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



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◆ Eligible Countries



UNITED STATES



COLOMIA

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Project Design Aspects

Teams of HEIs should use 100K grant funds to:

1. Create and implement innovative, inclusive student and/or faculty training and exchange programs between the U.S. and Colombia.

IF Choosing Option #2:

1. Create and implement innovative, inclusive student and/or faculty training and exchange programs between the U.S. and Colombia.

2. Bilateral focused climate action projects (CAPs), that contribute to climate-action solutions.

◆ Eligible Institutions



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



Proposals that include one or more Minority Serving Institution (MSI) in the United States will be found favorable during the evaluation process.

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

*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



◆ Proposal Option #1



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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◆ Eligible 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.



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◆ Proposal Option #2



5 grants available to proposals that include both climate research connected to a climate action project (CAPs) *and* a student/faculty exchange and training program.

- 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**

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◆ Eligible 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 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.

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Available Awards

— **OPTION #1**

**11
Grants**

**\$27,174
USD**

— **OPTION #2**

**5
Grants**

**\$50,000
USD**



- ◆ Additional requirements & considerations

Program Design



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



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



Competition Timeline

ACTIVITY	TIME PERIOD
Application Deadline	January 31, 2024 by 11:59 pm ET
Notification of status of proposal	April 2024
Award of Grant Funds to Winners	May - August 2024
Period of Performance	
June 1, 2024 – May 31, 2025	

*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

◆ Frequently Asked Questions



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 Colombia.

Q: Can we include a partner HEI that is not in the U.S. or Colombia?

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, a single institution will not receive more than two grant awards in a single grant competition.



◆ Build Your 100K Proposal

15 pages maximum

5 pages

No page limit

Technical Narrative (80%)

Cover Page -1 page

Table of Contents - 1 page

Executive Summary & Program Description 40%

Sustainability Plan 15%

Capacity, Challenges & Opportunities 10%

Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) Plan 15%

Budget (20%)

Budget Summary Table

Descriptive Budget Narrative

Low Indirect Costs

Supporting Documents

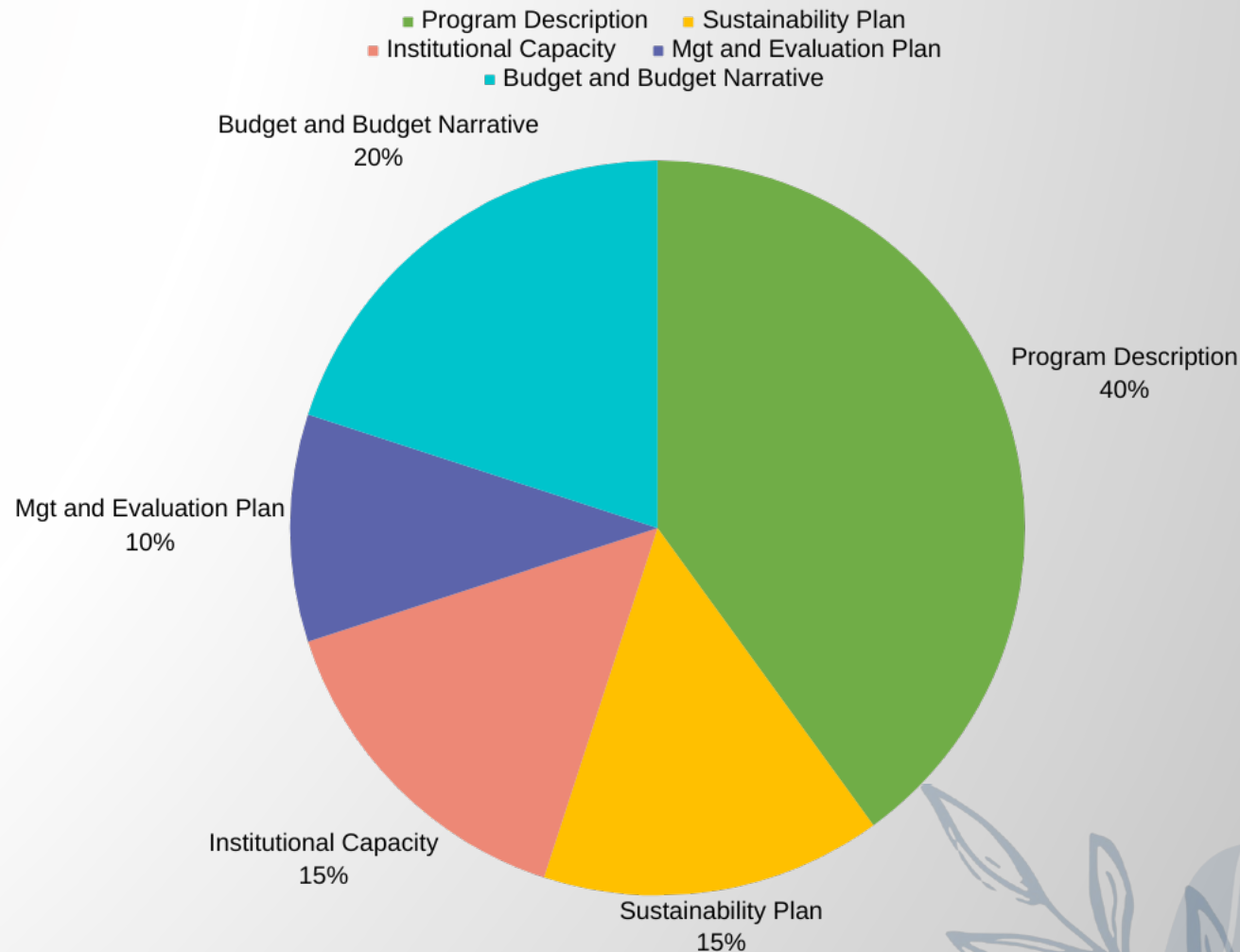
Letters of Support (required)

Biography/résumé of Project Team (required)

2 pages max per person

Additional Materials

◆ Evaluation Criteria



Helpful Resources



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You can also refer to our [Grant FAQs](#) page for answers to the most commonly asked questions.



Thank you!

For questions or clarifications, contact
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