

Request for Proposals: Migration and Refugees in Regional and Global Perspective Initiative International Area Studies Centers and Thematic Programs

This call invites proposals to fund projects that support new approaches to migration and refugees in global and regional contexts. The Migration and Refugees Initiative aims to connect campus-wide faculty, staff and student expertise, encompassed in the Illinois Area Studies Centers and Thematic Programs, with a significant global challenge. Projects should identify an area of global, regional or community impact. They may include research on refugee and migrant experiences, for instance in cross-regional contexts or in historical or thematic perspective; the enhancement of teaching approaches to refugee and migration experiences; the development of interdisciplinary or cross-campus networks in research or teaching; and the development of community or international projects.

Application Requirements:

1. A brief descriptive title and a 200-word summary of the project;
2. Description of the project (maximum 5 pages) that includes:
 - a. A description of the project's goals and significance;
 - b. Detailed plan of work;
 - c. A discussion of the project's impact and how it will be assessed (ways of defining impact include, but are not limited to, scholarly outcomes, contributions to instruction, or community or global outcomes);
3. Detailed budget which should include both the funding requested as well as project funding from other sources;
4. Short CVs (maximum of 5 pages) for all project participants;
5. Letters of support (maximum 2 pages) from each center, program or campus units collaborating in the project.

Scope: Projects can be funded for up to 24 months of beginning with the acceptance of the award. Up to four awards will be made, with a maximum amount each of \$25,000 per year. Proposed budgets should not include summer salary for faculty, tuition, editing services, or the purchase of electronic or laboratory equipment.

Eligibility: Proposals may be submitted by the International Area Studies Centers and Thematic Programs and will be considered by an interdisciplinary campus review committee.

Priority will be given to proposals that:

- have the potential to generate new revenue through grants or other sources;
- include participants from multiple schools or colleges;
- involve collaboration between centers and programs;
- have a demonstrable community or global impact.

The deadline for submission of proposals is Friday, March 29, 2019. Proposals should be submitted in a single email message to Jerry Dávila, Executive Director, International Area Studies Centers and Thematic Programs, jdavila@illinois.edu.