

INNOVATIVE INTERNATIONAL GRANTS (IIG)

CATEGORY I

Extension International Innovative Grants provide start-up funding for new initiatives that relate to global education for Ohio citizens.

CRITERIA

1. *A new idea that the author (s) have developed from other programming experiences. Please state briefly how this came about.*
2. *An idea that the author has adapted from a program in another state. Please state how yours will be adapted.*
3. *An idea that the author has expanded from another Extension professional. State how the program will be different; it must have at least one new or different aspect added to it.*
4. *An idea that can have implications throughout Extension as a whole.*
5. *An idea that addresses an emerging issue in Extension such as safe food supplies or sustainability*
6. *A brand new idea — one that has never been tried in your unit or team.*

SELECTION CRITERIA

Required Criteria for Innovative Proposals:

Addresses at least one area of the ecological paradigm of environment compatibility, social responsibility economic viability and production efficiency.

Grounded in professional's area of specialization

Related to at least one of the goals of internationalization for OSU Extension

Clearly defined innovative/pilot aspects that will benefit Ohio clientele

In your narrative address the following:

1. Goals - clearly articulate the target audience, the needs to be met.
2. Methods-selection, development and use of appropriate approaches to achieve goals. Include a proposed timetable.
3. Specialization - area of specialization or focus identified.
4. Significant Results - Impacts on intended audience and/or knowledge gained for the organization. Outcomes as well as activities completed are clear.
5. Communication - Plan for how results or knowledge gained through the effort are communicated to others (stakeholders and colleagues).
6. Reflection - Explain how activities will be evaluated and modified for use by others.
7. Budget - Explain how the dollars requested are reasonable for the project and where matching or other dollars are being sought.

Conditions

1. Previous Proposals Funded
 - Continued funding of previously funded proposals will not be considered from innovative funds.
 - Final reports currently due from primary author's previous grants must be completed to be considered for future funding.
2. Staffing Needs - Generally projects should be accomplished with existing staff; if you plan to bring in a guest "expert" explain their qualifications. If you plan to supplement your own work, please justify.
3. Equipment - No large equipment will be funded from innovative funds unless it can clearly be shown that the equipment is unique and critical to the program.
4. Timeline - Funded projects should be completed in 12 months or less from the date of the letter indicating funding was granted. If unusual circumstances dictate that a longer period is required, this could be justified in writing.
5. Report - Primary authors of funded proposals will be expected to submit a final report due one month following the completion of the project.

FIRST TIME TRAVEL GRANTS & PAPER PRESENTATION GRANTS

CATEGORY II

Supports FIRST TIME travel outside of the U.S. to participate in an international conference or study tour. Matching funds are needed.

CATEGORY III

Supports travel of Extension professionals for a PAPER PRESENTATION (invited or peer reviewed) at an international conference outside the U.S. Eligibility is limited to once within a two year period. Matching funds are needed and only one author will be supported.

Note: Grants in Category II and III will not be awarded simultaneously to the same person.

Required Criteria for Travel Grants:

Grounded in professional's area of specialization

Related to at least one of the goals of internationalization for OSU Extension

Source of matching funds identified

Category II - statement of first time international travel

Category III - statement of last time OSUE travel grant was received.

1. Goals - clearly articulate what will be gained from the experience
2. Timetable and Sponsor - Travel plans and proposed itinerary, dates, copy of conference program or study tour venue. Who is the sponsor? For paper presentation grant, attach a copy of the acceptance letter.
3. Specialization - How your area of specialization or focus will be enhanced by this experience.
4. Significant Results - How the experience will further the goals of OSUE. Outcomes as well as activities completed are clear. Contributions your paper presentation will make to an international audience.
5. Communication - Plan for how knowledge gained through the travel or participation in the conference will be communicated to others (stakeholders and colleagues).

6. Reflection - How will the international travel and activities be evaluated?
7. Expenses-How will expenses be covered? Is other funding or release time being pursued? What is the source of the matching funds?
8. Local program - How will current responsibilities be covered while applicant is out of the country?

***EXTENSION INTERNATIONAL MINI-GRANT PROPOSALS
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- Innovative Proposal*
- First Time Travel Grant*
- Paper Presentation Grant*

Applicant or Primary Author _____

Other team members _____

PROPOSAL TITLE _____

Date Submitted _____

Total Dollars Requested from Extension International Mini-Grant Funds _____

Date (s) and Details of previously funded International Mini-Grants _____

Approval of Immediate supervisor of PRIMARY author

Note: Proposals are accepted the first week of January, April, July and October

Approved 3/8/01 Extension Administrative Cabinet

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