IAC RESEARCH GRANTS

The Institute of American Cultures (IAC) announces the availability of small grants for support of research on African Americans, American Indians, Asian Americans, and Chicanas/os studies, as well as the new population dynamics. We particularly encourage proposals that will make a contribution to the research interests of the Ethnic Studies Research Centers, including interdisciplinary and multifaceted/multifocal topics. We also invite proposals that will increase collaboration between the Centers and/or between the Centers and other campus units.

Application Instructions

The 2019-20 Research Grants application is now available! Start Application

- The 2019-20 Fellowship deadline is March 1, 2019.

This application is best supported by Chrome, Firefox, Internet Explorer 10+ and Safari 6+.
APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

ELIGIBILITY

UCLA faculty, staff, graduate students, and IAC visiting scholars/researchers.

RESTRICTIONS

a. New proposals from previously funded Principal Investigators (PIs) are welcome. However, PIs must submit their final reports from previous grants in order to be eligible for funds from new IAC grants.

b. IAC research grants are available only during the tenure of a PI’s formal association with UCLA.

c. Bunche Center graduate student research proposals must be in support of a dissertation or thesis project in order to be considered.

d. All recipients, where appropriate, must comply with UCLA’s Protection of Human Subjects in Research before IAC funding is available.

e. Funding is not available for conference travel, whether attending or presenting.

FUNDING

Ordinarily, faculty and staff projects will be funded for no more than $10,000 and graduate student projects for no more than $5,000. Due to budgetary constraints, awards are typically for lesser amounts. Funding is on a reimbursement basis only. Funds for the purchase of permanent equipment will be provided only under exceptional circumstances. Such equipment must be returned to the appropriate Ethnic Studies Center upon completion of the project.

TERM OF GRANT (GRANT PERIOD)

July 1 through May 31. Grant recipients must be formally affiliated with UCLA for the duration of the grant.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Prior to submission of the research proposal, applicants are encouraged to discuss their proposal with the appropriate Center or, in the case of interdisciplinary proposals, with the assistant director or director of the appropriate Centers. The research grant review committee is comprised of UCLA researchers from a diverse range of disciplines. Researchers who are submitting a proposal are ineligible to evaluate proposals within the same cycle. The major criteria for evaluation of proposals include:

a. qualifications of the applicant(s) and/or potential to successfully conduct the project;

b. soundness and feasibility of the project, research design, and budget;

c. significance of the project's potential contribution to knowledge in the field of ethnic studies;

d. specific contributions, if any, in cooperation between the Ethnic Studies Research Centers and appropriate departments, programs, and ethnic studies centers; and

e. potential for securing publication or other forms of disseminating the results of the project.

DOCUMENTS TO INCLUDE

To be considered, each applicant must submit a complete application:

1. Principal Investigator Information
2. Project Abstract
   a. Concisely describe the project’s immediate aims, methodology, and long-term goals. The abstract should function as a succinct, self-contained summary of the project and should include a brief statement of its relationship to ethnic studies. It must be single-spaced, 12 pt. font, and no more than 1 page.
3. Project Description
   a. The content and format of the proposal should follow the outline provided below with each item used as a section heading. The entire project description should be kept to a maximum of 5 pages, single space (12 pt. font, 1.5-inches margin).
   i. Statement of the problem and key objectives of the project.
   ii. The relationship of the work to other research in the field.
   iii. The plans of procedure and methodology. Include time frame.
   iv. The publications or creative contributions expected to result.
   v. The expected impact on scholarship in ethnic studies.
   vi. The extent to which ethnic minorities will be involved in the research.
   vii. The library requirements of the research project (e.g., will project require use of the Ethnic Studies Center Libraries?)
4. Budget Statement
   a. Write a separate justification for each budget item requested, and explain how the cost was calculated.
5. Budget Summary. This serves as a summary of the expenses detailed in your budget statement. Note: Funding is available on a reimbursement basis only.

Notes relating to Budget:

a. Research Personnel: Only faculty, staff, and postdoctoral fellows are permitted to hire research assistants. Graduate students may not hire others to assist with their project or receive a stipend themselves. In your budget statement, please report the number of researchers required, including percentage of time, rate of pay, proposed length of employment, employee benefits (cost and type), and duties.

b. Resources employed by a Graduate Student Researcher (GSR) may be required to pay employee benefits and should call the appropriate Center for details and possible changes in benefits. Currently, a GSR is entitled to health insurance paid at $1,300.00 per quarter and a Fee Remission of up to $1,319.00 as long as they have a GSR of 3.00, work in a GSR/10 appointment for more than 18 quarters, and earn as a GSR no less than 20% time. The student is also expected to enroll in 12 units quarterly. See the Academic Apprentice Personnel Manual* for further details. Incorporate these benefits into your budget, if applicable.

c. Other Personnel: Please report their percentage of time, rate of pay, proposed length of employment, employee benefits, and specific duties on the budget statement.

d. Office Supplies and Expenses: List anticipated expenses and supplies to be used.

e. Travel: State purpose, destination, mode of transportation, and anticipated dates of each trip. Explain housing and per diem expenses. All travel is subject to the U.C. Policy and Guidelines.* Note: Travel to present at or attend a conference is not eligible for funding.

f. Special Items: For example, consultants, translators, outside interviewers, gifts, etc.

5. Curriculum Vitae

6. Letter of Recommendation from faculty advisor (Graduate student applicants only).

7. Contact information for your faculty advisor. Who will be sent an email with a link to the recommendation form, which must be submitted online. Provide a copy of your grant proposal to your faculty advisor.

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

All applications and supplementary materials will only be accepted via the online application process. Applicants with questions are encouraged to contact the IAC Coordinator of the appropriate Ethnic Studies Research Center prior to submitting the application. Only complete applications will be considered.

* Applicants will be notified of award decisions in May.
All fields are required, unless specified as optional.

- **The focus of this proposal is:**
  - Asian American Studies
  - American Indian Studies
  - African American Studies
  - Chicana/o Studies
  - Shirley Hughes Inter-Ethnic/Inter-Racial Studies

- **Please check one:**
  - Graduate Student (You are not currently enrolled in a program of study)
  - Faculty
  - Staff
  - UCLA Fellow/Visiting Scholar

### Principal Investigator Information

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**Do you have a co-Principal Investigator for this research project?**
- Yes
- No
Project Information

Project Title: 

Total Sum Requested: 

Period of Investigation: 

Does your project require human subject research? 

☐ Yes 

☐ No 

Have you ever applied elsewhere, including UCLA Academic Senate, for funds in support of this project? 

☐ Yes 

☐ No 

If yes, please give the name of the agency, amount requested, and expected date of grant announcement.

If you receive notification of an award from an organization other than the IAC, you must immediately report this information in writing to the Director of the Ethnic Studies Center through which you submitted your application or to the IAC Office in the case of an interoffice project.
Previous IAC Grant Information

Have you received an IAC Research Grant(s) in the past?

- Yes
- No

When did you receive the grant?

Title of project for which you received the grant:

List any publications or other creative works resulting from the grant(s):

Additional Comments:

[optional] 1000 character limit
## Budget Summary

### A. RESEARCH PERSONNEL

1. Research Assistant:  
   - Name:  
   - Funds Requested: $ 

2. Research Assistant:  
   - Name:  
   - Funds Requested: $ 

### B. OTHER PERSONNEL: Include benefits

1. Surveys (personnel to conduct interviews):  
   - Name:  
   - Funds Requested: $ 

2. Clerical Assistance:  
   - Name:  
   - Funds Requested: $ 

3. Other:  
   - Name:  
   - Funds Requested: $ 

Total Cost of Salaries and Benefits (A + B): $ 

### C. OFFICE SUPPLIES AND EXPENSES

- $ 

### D. TRAVEL

1. Transportation  
   - Destination:  
   - Funds Requested: $ 

   a. Destination:  
   - Funds Requested: $ 

   **Total Transportation Cost:** $ 

2. Housing  
   - Destination:  
   - Funds Requested: $ 

   a. Destination:  
   - Funds Requested: $ 

   **Total Housing Cost:** $ 

3. Per Diem  
   - Destination:  
   - Funds Requested: $ 

   a. Destination:  
   - Funds Requested: $ 

   **Total Per Diem:** $ 

   **Total Travel Cost:** $ 

### E. SPECIAL ITEMS: Specify

- Name:  
- Funds Requested: $ 

**TOTAL COST** $ 

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**Other Options**

- Submit
- Continue
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Budget Statement:

D: Curriculum Vitae:

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How did you learn of the Institute of American Cultures program?

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I hereby certify that the information in this application is complete and accurate. I understand that misrepresentation of any portion of this application may be cause for the cancellation of the financial award or appointment.

Please note that you will not be able to make any changes or upload any documents to your application once you click on Submit.

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