



Dec. 18, 2019

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce we have secured funds for an additional year of faculty research grants. UMIA funding programs for faculty are intended to encourage interdisciplinary research on the Americas, including Latin America, the Caribbean, immigrant populations of and in the region, and Miami as a hemispheric hub. Any full-time faculty member may apply.

This year's competition will prioritize four thematic areas of research:

- Climate and Resiliency
- Global Health
- Migration
- Peace, rights and accountable institutions (aka crime, corruption and conflict)

We intend to make one award in each thematic area. Applications will be judged by faculty committees led by UMIA specialists in each topic. The amount of the grant is \$5,000, of which \$2,500 will be transferred upon acceptance of the grant conditions and the remaining \$2,500 will be disbursed when outcomes are completed but no later than Dec. 21, 2020. Faculty who have received UMIA funding consecutively over the last two cycles must sit out this competition except as a co-PI on a group application. UMIA faculty leads and associates are not eligible to apply.

Individuals or groups may apply. The funds may be used for any expense except salary.

Required outcomes that must be fulfilled by Dec. 21, 2020 are: 1) an application for external funding to extend or adapt the project and 2) either a submission of a peer-reviewed article or the completion of a symposium or other academic event.

These funds may support work already in progress if it is clearly shown how the funds will increase the quality and impact of the work.

Traditional research in the natural and health sciences, social sciences and humanities will be eligible, as well as engaged scholarship meeting academic standards of quality that has explicit social justice outcomes in collaboration with community partners.

Please send your application in a single file PDF to MIA@miami.edu by 11:59pm on February 17, 2020, noting the theme to which you are applying. Awardees will be notified on or about February 28, 2020. Funds are available immediately after award. UMIA staff will explain

documentation requirements, which will follow university guidelines. The application should include

1. Name, Department and CVs of lead researcher (or all researchers) engaged in the project.
2. A list of internal awards the researcher(s) has won in the last 3 years and outcomes of those awards.
3. A 500-word description of the project including but not limited to the method and how it distinguishes UM or the researcher(s) in the thematic area. A reference list of key sources may be added without counting against the 500-word limit.
4. A description of planned outcomes and their social impact with a 250-word limit
5. A timeline
6. A line-item budget with each line justified

Event Co-sponsorships

In addition to this competition, please keep in mind that UMIA can provide limited funding support for events related to the Americas that are organized elsewhere at UM. Please apply through the UMIA website four weeks prior to the event. Funding is on a first-come, first-served basis:

<http://www.mia.as.miami.edu/grants/sponsorships/index.html>

We look forward to hearing from you.