

Live Q&A Webinar

The 100K CLIMA/IE U.S-Brazil Innovation Fund Grant Competition

July 12, 2024













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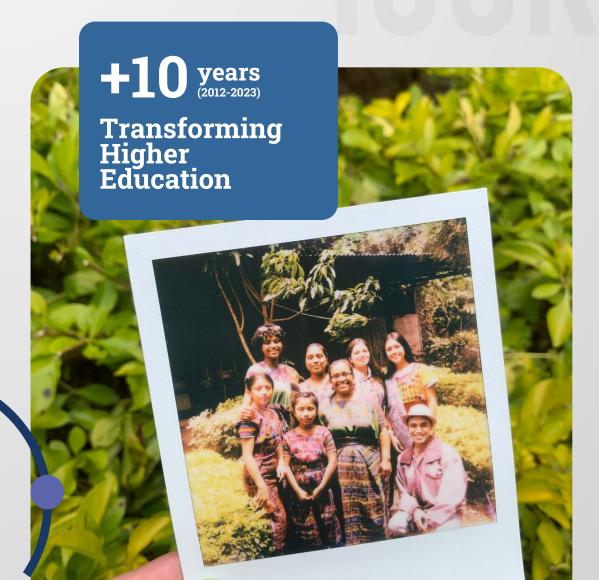


Agenda

Introduction to our Donor-Partners
What is the 100K Innovation Fund?
How to Apply, Eligibility and Requirements

Proposal Evaluation Criteria
Questions & Answers

Background









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 - 2024



337 grants awarded to teams of 597 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

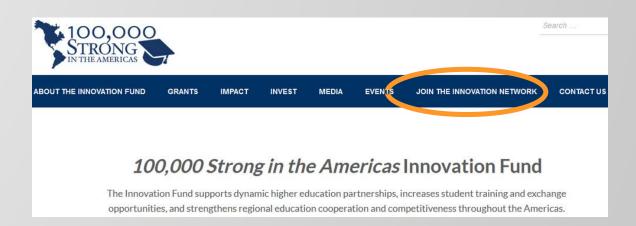
Where to Start:

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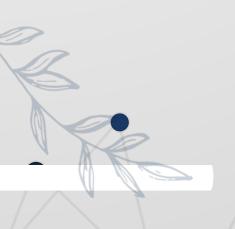


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Inspiring strategic partnerships between colleges & universities to increase student mobility and training in the Americas.

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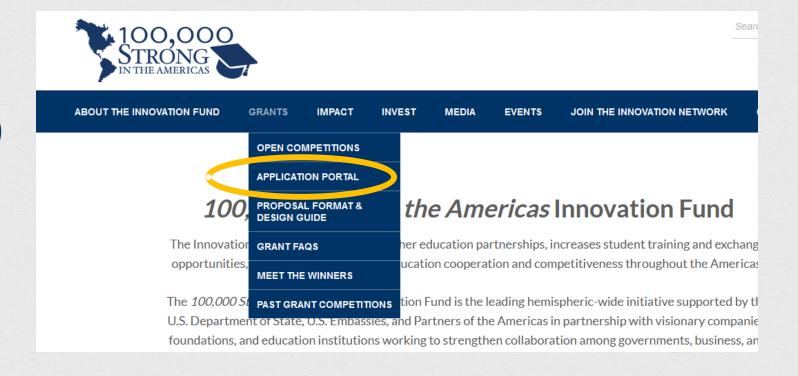
How To Apply



Step 1: Online **Application Portal**

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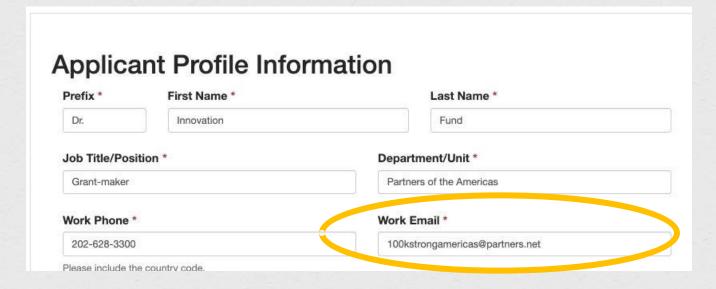


Step 2: Create a Profile





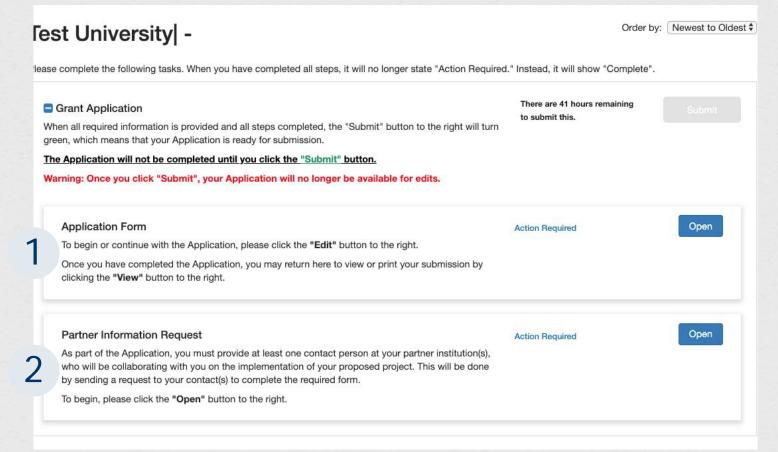
Step 3: Use an appropriate email



- Account can <u>only</u> 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





More
Questions on
Application
Guidelines?



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* Eligibility































Available Grants

Grants

\$40,000 USD

Eligible Partnerships



Required

One U.S. Higher Education Institution

Uma instituição de ensino superior dos EUA

+

One SENAI Higher Education or Innovation Institution

Uma instituição de ensino superior ou de inovação do SENAI

Recommended

One U.S. Higher Education Institution

Uma instituição de ensino superior dos EUA

+

One SENAI Higher Education or Innovation Institution

Uma instituição de ensino superior ou de inovação do SENAI

+

One Brazilian Higher Education Institution

Uma instituição de ensino superior brasileira







ProgramComponents

HEIs must use grant resources to:

- 1. Implement new inclusive exchange and training programs between the U.S. and Brazil in climate-related fields of study and
- 2. Start, sustain, or expand a strategic, ambitious Climate Action Project (CAP) that leverages the unique capacity and skills of the HEI community.

Eligible Thematic Areas





- Biodiversity Protection
- Bio-Economy and Sustainable Value Chains
- Carbon Capture and Storage
- Climate Justice
- Climate Technology
- Community Conservation Practices
- Conservation and Reforestation

- Decarbonization
- Endangered/Threatened Species Management and Protection
- Environmental Protection
- Green/Climate Finance
- Renewable Energy
- And more!

*Read the RFP for more information!

*Leia a RFP para obter mais informações!



Additional requirements & considerations

Program Design

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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 as a result of the proposed program. Does not apply for SENAI institutes that do not operate on this credit basis.



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



oBi-directional student travel preferred



∘ No minimum/maximum number of students



No minimum/maximum duration of stay

* In-person student mobility is <u>required</u> in at least one direction

Competition Timeline

ACTIVITY	TIME PERIOD
Application Deadline	July 31, 2024 by 11:59 pm ET
Notification of status of proposal	October 2024
Award of Grant Funds to Winners	November - December 2024
Period of Performance	
January 1, 2025 – January 31, 2026	

*Please note that these dates are subject to change



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^{*}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 <u>no limit</u> 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 any of the eligible countries.

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

A: For this Innovation Fund competition, <u>only</u> institutions in the listed countries are eligible to apply and be beneficiaries.

Q: How many proposals can my institution submit?

A: There is <u>no limit</u> 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.



Proposal Evaluation Criteria

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

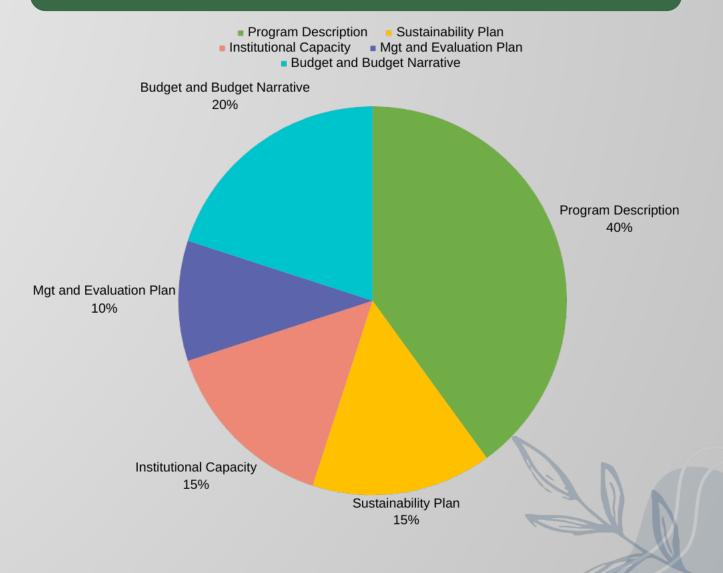
Supporting Documents

Letters of Support (required) Biography/résumé of Project Team (required)

2 pages max per person

Additional Materials

Evaluation Criteria













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You can also refer to our <u>Grant FAQs</u> page for answers to the most commonly asked questions.





Thank you!

For questions or clarifications, contact the Innovation Fund team:

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