Call for CILMAR Seed Grant Applications for 2024-2025

Purdue University’s Center for Intercultural Learning, Mentorship, Assessment and Research (CILMAR) is pleased to invite applications for funding to support intercultural assessment and research for the 2024-2025 academic year.

What is the CILMAR Seed Grant Program?
The Seed Grant program supports faculty, staff and graduate students who wish to engage in the assessment of intercultural learning outcomes, conduct studies of intercultural competency development, and/or generate new intercultural theoretical development, but lack the resources to do so. Applicants may request seed grants for their scholarly projects and are encouraged to seek commitments for matching funds from their unit leadership (deans, heads and supervisors) but not required.

Award Budget: $5000
Award Period: Fall 2024 – Spring 2025

Proposal Template: Please use the proposal template available on the website at https://www.purdue.edu/IPPU/CILMAR/about/index.html to fill out the details about your research. You will also be required to submit a short CV and endorsement email from your advisor or supervisor. Submit the complete proposal package to https://purdue.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1G2VUEJirvwPR0W

Proposal Submission Deadline: March 1, 2024
Awards will be announced in the first week of April 2024.

Characteristics of a good grant proposal
- Present a clear plan for intercultural assessment or research
- Connect work explicitly to the CILMAR vision
- Contribute to diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Demonstrate significant impact at Purdue
- Show clear potential for building on additional research or future research

Low Priority Proposals
Please note that travel is an allowable but low priority budget item for CILMAR seed grants; travel necessary for data collection will be more persuasive than travel to disseminate findings. The number and amount of awards will vary dependent upon requests for support and available funding.

Expectations for the CILMAR Seed Grant recipients
Utilize intentional, reflective experiential/active learning pedagogies of engagement with cultural differences.
- Implement one or more of the following with Purdue students, faculty or staff:
  - Formative assessment of the attitudes, knowledge, skills or behavior of intercultural competence or related constructs (e.g., multicultural/diversity awareness, global citizenship, cultural intelligence, intercultural communication/interaction, etc.)
  - Program evaluation of an intercultural learning intervention in a course, study abroad or virtual exchange program, co-curricular program, diverse research team, etc.
Experiments, ethnography, or other common quantitative, qualitative, or mixed methods studies that develop cultural/intercultural understandings or theories
- Validation of new intercultural scales or inventories
- Exploration at the intersection of global/international and diversity/equity/inclusion and social justice scholarship
- Pursue appropriate dissemination outlets for their projects in peer-reviewed academic conferences and journals

Applicants should be employed and/or pursuing a course of study at Purdue University’s West Lafayette campus during the 2024-2025 academic year.
*Statewide Polytechnic and Purdue Indianapolis faculty are eligible.

Past Seed Grant Awardees https://www.purdue.edu/IPPU/CILMAR/research/seed-grants.html.

What happens after you are awarded the grant?

We make a public announcement on social media

You present your project idea to CILMAR team

At the end of the project you submit a white paper and a recorded final presentation

Note:

A white paper and video-recorded presentation of findings from the funded project are to be published on the Intercultural Learning Hub (www.hubic.org) by April 2025.

To submit the video, please use Kaltura. Instructions are here: https://youtu.be/dlG2Be2pHZ0

Questions concerning any part of the grant process should be addressed to CILMAR Intercultural Research Specialist Aparajita Jaiswal at jaiswal2@purdue.edu.