EMORY GLOBAL HEALTH INSTITUTE
EGHI Faculty Seed Grants | Request for Proposals

INTRODUCTION/PURPOSE

The Emory Global Health Institute is accepting proposals for Emory faculty members to conduct preliminary research or programmatic work that will lead to improvement in individual or population health through long-term, sustainable, and multidisciplinary global health partnerships and programs, or to conduct a pilot project that leads to such a proposal.

Since 2007, the Institute has funded more than 60 Emory faculty projects. These awards have fostered global health work around the globe and have addressed a variety of health topics. A comprehensive list of funded EGHI faculty seed grant projects are available on the EGHI website here.

PROJECT SCOPE

Types of Proposed Work

The Institute will provide seed funding for the following types of proposed global health work:
- Research (outcomes, translational, epidemiologic, and behavioral)
- Health policy development and implementation
- Drug discovery
- Health promotion
- Program evaluation
- Disease prevention or treatment

Priority Topic Areas

Priority topic areas include, but are not limited to:
- Infectious diseases
- Nutrition
- Chronic diseases and risk factors
- Reproductive health
- Child health
- Medical anthropology
- Health economics
- Health workforce development
- Injuries
- Mental health
- One Health
- Immigrant and refugee health
- Global health-related business and legal issues
**Priority Locations**

Low-resource settings, including one of Emory’s priority countries, other low and middle-income countries, or the United States.

**Guiding Principles**

Funded projects will be expected to establish foundations on which long-term, sustainable multidisciplinary global health partnerships may be built. Consider the following guiding principles when developing your proposal, although not all principles may apply:

1. Promote a strategic alliance within the university, and with one or more countries (or institutions within those countries) with a particular emphasis on low and moderate-resource areas of the world.
2. Have the potential to be leveraged. A strong possibility that an Emory investment in this partnership program will leverage existing resources or lead to an even greater investment from other sources is highly desirable.
3. Address a priority topic and an unmet need (see Priority Topic Areas).
4. Have a significant academic component involving research and scholarly products, such as peer-reviewed publications or other wide dissemination of findings.
5. Reflect Emory’s vision: Emory is a university internationally recognized as an inquiry-driven, ethically engaged, and diverse community, whose members embrace respect and employ creativity, critique, and collaboration in providing courageous leadership for positive transformation in the world through teaching, research, scholarship, health care, and social action.
6. Build new, and expand upon existing, partnerships.
7. Promote a respectful global partnership through mutuality in planning, implementation, and evaluation.
8. Contribute to improved access and distribution of quality health promotion, disease prevention, or treatment.
9. Be endorsed by all collaborating schools, departments, and partner institutions.
10. Include appropriate, specific, measurable performance goals and targets.

**FUNDING**

**Award Amount**

Award is up to $25,000 in total for budget period lasting 12-18 months.

**Allowable Expenses**

Allowable:

- Travel & communication for project development
- Data collection
- Data analyses

- Pilot studies
- Planning and start-up activities
- Personnel: Students, fellows, post-docs

Not Allowable:

- Travel and fees to attend conferences
- Personnel:
  - Emory staff time covered is discouraged unless necessary (please explain in proposal).
  - Faculty effort should be in-kind within the budget, and approved by department chair or dean.
Other Notes:

- Any partnerships or sub-awards planned with seed grant funds should follow Emory's contracting policies and procedures, and time allowed within project plans for the set-up of such partnerships.

**Indirect Costs**

Indirect costs are not included in your total budget.

**Unspent Funds**

If funds are not spent by the project end date, or if project goals are not achieved, the Institute reserves the right to terminate the award and request funds be returned.

**TIMELINE & DELIVERABLES**

- **Submission Deadline** January 15, 2020
- **Notification of Award** February 5, 2020
- **Project Start Date** March 1, 2020
- **Progress Reports Due** Every 6 months during project timeframe
- **Project End Date** 12-18 months from start date (depending on project)
- **Final Report Due** 2 months after project end date
- **Post Project Reports** 1 year after project end date

**APPLICATION**

**Eligibility**

- All Emory faculty members are eligible to apply. Post-doctoral fellows may apply with a faculty co-PI.
- Proposals must include collaborations from at least 2 schools/disciplines across Emory.
- Being the recipient of current or recent Emory Global Health Institute funding does not preclude eligibility for new funding.
- Collaborators who have worked and published together in the past are not excluded, but the project itself must be new, highly innovative, and as yet unfunded and unpublished.

**Application Guidelines**

1. Complete the application form [here](#).
2. Email the attachments (listed below) to Keriann Roy at keriann.roy@emory.edu.

   *Please note: You do not need to send your proposal through OSP. IRB approvals will be required only for awarded applicants.*
Application Materials

Application Form:
1. General Details
2. Project Summary
3. Objectives
4. Methods
5. Significance of Project
6. Goals/Deliverables

Attachments:
7. Budget & Justification. Please find template here (click "File" & "Download" to download file to computer).
8. Department Chair approval
9. NIH-style biosketch for all investigators

REVIEW PROCESS

Award selection will be determined by a panel of Emory University faculty and administrators.

The scoring rubric will particularly assess project scope, significance as it relates to EGHI’s guiding principles, and potential for measureable impact.

Review Criteria

Review criteria will include the extent to which a proposal conforms to the Emory Global Health Institute Guiding Principles listed above, as well as the following:
1. Significance
2. Approach
3. Innovation
4. Investigator
5. Strength of linkage to the strategic plan of the university and relevant school/unit.
6. Potential to leverage additional external funding.

EXPECTATIONS

1. All publications and presentations derived from work supposed by this funding must acknowledge the Emory Global Health Institute: “EGHI Seed Grant funding provided by the Emory Global Health Institute. The content is solely the responsibility of the authors and does not necessarily represent the official views of the Emory Global Health Institute.”

2. Awardees will submit progress reports (template will be provided) at 6 month intervals during the award period, and for 1 year following the conclusion of the award.

3. Extensions will be approved for a maximum of 6 months upon review of the written request which will include a revised budget and timeline of activities. An extension request must be submitted 3 months prior to the project end date.

4. If funds are not spent by the project end date, or if project goals are not achieved, the Institute reserves the right to terminate the award and request funds be returned.