GenCen Strategic Partnership Grant (SPG) Application

Project Details

The Provost and Dean of ISP offer SPGs for MSU faculty to develop strategic, long-term partnerships with global higher education institutions (HEIs) and/or non-governmental organizations (NGOs). These partnerships should be centered on collaborative research between at least two departments and/or colleges at MSU and one or more global HEIs and/or NGOs. Funds may be granted for research proposal development, related travel, and/or preliminary research activities. GenCen accepts proposals that are guided by the core principles of gender, intersectionality, and inclusion, and address at least one of its priority subject areas. GenCen's SPGs are intended to serve as seed funding for research that will likely lead to:

- Successful future proposals for competitive external grants.
- Continued collaboration between MSU and the partner institution.
- Strong global outreach that support MSU and ISP's goal of nurturing sustainable and equitable global research partnerships with HEIs and NGOs.
- Benefits for both global and local, or Michigan-based, populations.

Project Title:

Proposed Activity Dates:

Select all GenCen priority subject areas that apply to this project:

Agriculture and development Health and nutrition

Empowerment and poverty eradication LGBTQ+ research

Environmental justice and social change Science, technology, and innovation

Gender and violence

Abstract: (max. 250 words)

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Applicants

Applications must have at least three co-PIs, including two MSU faculty members from two different departments and faculty/staff from a global higher education institution or organization. Each co-PI must have a clearly defined role.

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Applicant 1	
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Email:	Department:
Role:	
Applicant 2	
Name:	Institution:
Email:	Department:
Role:	
Applicant 3	
Name:	Institution:
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Applicant 4	
Name:	Institution:
Email:	Department:
Role:	
Applicant 5	
Name:	Institution:
Email:	Department:
Role:	
Applicant 6	
Name:	Institution:
Email:	Department:
Role:	

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Application Checklist

Please submit proposal packets to isp.gencen.research@msu.edu by the application deadline.

All applications will be peer reviewed by a small team of experts affiliated with GenCen. Applications will be judged on (1) intellectual merit, (2) applicants' capacity to carry out the proposed project, (3) the feasibility of the timeline, (4) the project's alignment with GenCen's core principles and priority subject areas, and (5) the project's potential to lead to GenCen's intended outcomes for SPGs.

Complete application form (this document)

• Treat this form as the cover letter for your application.

Project narrative (5-pages maximum, double-spaced, 12-point font) of:

- The proposed research questions and intellectual merit of the project.
- The project timeline, specific tasks, and how you will meet GenCen's SPG deadlines.
- The history of the collaborators' professional relationship.
- Each applicant's unique contributions and role in the project. This section should highlight key points in applicants' CVs and supplement information you provide on the 'Applicants' page of this form.
- How this project will strategically prepare applicants to apply for competitive external grants, continue their collaboration, and generate strong global outreach.

Complete budget form (excel template available on GenCen website)

Letter(s) of support from deans or department chairs committing to a minimum 20% matching funds

IRB letter of approval (if application involves data collection)

Applicant CVs (each 5 pages maximum)

If applicable: A copy of the SPG report filed and a one-page summary of activities from each applicant who previously received a GenCen SPG

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