Call for Proposals

Collaborative International Course Grants for TAU Faculty

The Office of the Vice President International and The Lowy International school invite faculty applications for $3000 collaborative international course grants. The goal of these grants is to encourage faculty to develop courses jointly with institutions abroad using online platforms and tools. Such courses would build on the expertise of each faculty member/institution, creating an international classroom that provides transnational opportunities for student learning and engagement. Up to twenty (20) such grants will be awarded for courses taught in 2023-2024 academic year.

Collaborative international courses are a growing trend worldwide. TAU sees several benefits in joining this trend, including:

➢ Deepening relationships with TAU’s international partners;
➢ Providing TAU students with cross-cultural, curriculum-based experiences with peers abroad;
➢ Strengthening TAU students’ language and digital competencies while expanding TAU’s course offerings in English.

Proposals criteria

➢ Collaborative activities must involve faculty and students from at least two institutions (TAU plus one more) and provide an international dimension to students’ classroom experience.
➢ A proposal can be submitted by any member of TAU’s teaching staff.
➢ The call is not limited to specific academic fields and can be single- or multi-disciplinary.
➢ The call supports accredited courses only.

Funding

➢ The sum of $3000 will be awarded to the faculty member(s) by the beginning of the relevant semester.
➢ The grant will not fund salary or honoraria for either TAU or partner university’s faculty.
➢ The grant can be used to support such expenditures as teaching assistance, technical and pedagogical support, and preparation of course materials.
➢ Grant recipients will commit to submitting a short summary of the project at the end of the semester.

Proposals of up to two pages should include:
➢ Course title, number of academic credits, level (undergraduate or graduate), semester to be taught.
➢ Names of partner institutions.
➢ Brief bios of faculty members from partner institutions.
➢ Expected enrollment for each partner institution.
➢ A short course description.
➢ The motivation for the project, including how the international collaboration will further the course’s learning goals.
➢ What use of digital platforms and resources the project would require (from Zoom and/or Moodle to online laboratories or simulators).
➢ Teaching format: synchronous, asynchronous, or mixed?
➢ An explanation of how any differences in academic calendars, time zones, and/or language barriers will be overcome.
➢ Short description of joint activities (e.g., ice-breakers, discussion boards, joint assignments, peer tutoring, long-term group projects).
➢ Brief letter of support by relevant Head of Department/School.

Deadline for submitting proposals for the Fall Semester 2023-4 – May 30, 2023
Deadline for submitting proposals for the Spring Semester 2023-4 – October 24, 2023
Proposals should be submitted via this link

Contact information:
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