



# Center for Intercultural Dialogue

Council of Communication Associations

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## Micro Grants for Intercultural Dialogue

The Center for International Dialogue announces a micro grant program funded by the Association of Business Communication to support intercultural dialogue projects for the 2013/2014 academic year.

### Criteria:

Micro grants for intercultural dialogue are intended to support either or both of the two types of activities described in the mission of the Center: study of intercultural dialogues by Communication scholars, and/or participation in intercultural dialogue through academic interactions between Communication scholars based in different countries, or different linguistic and cultural regions. These grants are sufficient to provide seed funding only – the goal is to encourage international, intercultural, interlingual collaborative research by giving enough funding to offset **the cost of airfare only**, while providing opportunity (and cause) for matching grants from universities.

The intention is to support the development of **new** intercultural, professional connections. Thus continuing collaborations are ineligible. Those based in the US are expected to propose travel outside the country. International scholars currently living outside their country of origin are asked to establish a new affiliation in a different region rather than proposing a return to their homeland. We recognize that much interesting work can be done within a country between cultural groups, however this grant program focuses on connecting researchers who are not yet connected, across cultural regions that are typically disconnected. This rationale of cross-cultural connection must be explicit in the project description.

If funds are insufficient to support all qualifying applications, priority will be given based on a) potential of the collaboration to expand scholarly understanding of intercultural dialogue, with an explanation of how the proposed collaboration will address these issues, or b) to provide opportunity for expanding intercultural collaborations to address other topics of importance in communication scholarship, with an explanation of the importance of the proposed intercultural collaboration to the issues being studied, and c) based on the extent of commitment and capability to carry out the planned scholarly activities of the parties to the collaboration.

## Instructions

*Complete this application and submit, together with the following attachments:*

- PROJECT DESCRIPTION (1-2 pages) explaining what you intend to do.
- RESUME (1-3 pages) describing prior relevant activities and publications.

*EMAIL the entire application (this form plus project description and resume) to the Center for Intercultural Dialogue ([intercult.dialogue@gmail.com](mailto:intercult.dialogue@gmail.com)).*

*Request that the following two letters be emailed directly to the Center:*

- LETTER from department chair confirming the affiliation of the grant applicant with that department at the status listed, and recommending funding (1 page).
- LETTER from the host scholar, acknowledging first contact has been made, and expressing interest in continued conversation (1 page).

*Incomplete applications, or those sent via snail mail, will not be considered.*

### **Deadline:**

The initial deadline for review of proposals will be **February 1, 2014**. If funds remain after the initial set of grants is awarded, there will be a second deadline of **April 15, 2014**. *Check the Center's website for an announcement about whether all funds have been distributed before applying for the second deadline.*

### **Grant awards:**

Airfare is the only eligible cost for these awards with a maximum of \$1000 awarded to any one individual. These grants are intended to serve as seed funds, and a reason for universities to provide additional support. Similar awards in the past have been matched by departments, schools, provosts, and sometimes all three for the same project. A peer review committee convened by the Center for Intercultural Dialogue will review the proposals.

### **Legal note:**

The Association for Business Communication, the Center for Intercultural Dialogue, and the Council of Communication Associations (the parent organization of the Center) have no responsibility for any injuries incurred while traveling or conducting research activities related to a grant we provide. Participants in this program are strongly encouraged to obtain travel insurance prior to departure, either individually or through their home institutions.

### **Grantee Reporting Requirements:**

Within 1 month of completing the trip, grant award winners must submit a boarding pass and travel itinerary, as well as a 1-2 page report describing how they obtained matching funds, how they found an appropriate local host, what occurred during their trip, and what further activities have resulted or are likely to result. These reports will be posted on the Association for Business Communication and Center for Intercultural Dialogue websites to encourage other scholars to seek out further intercultural and international connections.

**Application for Funding  
Micro Grants for Intercultural Dialogue**

**Eligibility:**

As the Association for Business Communication has provided the funding for this particular set of grants, only *ABC members* are eligible. If you are not eligible for this, check the Center's website for further opportunities.

*I am a current member of the Association for Business Communication.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

University Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

University Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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National/Cultural/Lingual Affiliation (as relevant to the proposal):

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Social Security Number (For ABC Reporting/Recording Purposes): \_\_\_\_\_

*OR:*

*I am not a US citizen and understand that, if awarded a grant, I will be asked for alternative identification to meet Reporting/Recording requirements \_\_\_\_\_ (Please initial)*

Status:

Faculty member

Doctoral student

Instructor

Master's student

Postdoctoral fellow

Type of research activity for which funding is requested:

to conduct research in another country

to meet with potential collaborators for future research in another country

to present a paper at a university in another country

Location of proposed activity (city, country):

\_\_\_\_\_

Host's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Host's University Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

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As these grants are designed to facilitate a new connection, they are not available for continuing research projects.

*I have not previously conducted research with this host, this university, OR in this geographic/cultural region.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Anticipated airfare: \$\_\_\_\_\_

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Estimate of anticipated total expenses: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated matching funds (source and potential amount):

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