

## **FAQs: 2024 Seed Funding Opportunity for Mobilities to Mexico**

**1. Will funding be available beyond 2024?**

The funding for this Call is for mobilities conducted between March and December of 2024.

**2. Is this opportunity for Undergrad or Graduate Students?**

All participating students must be of the undergraduate or master's level. PhD and postdoctoral students are excluded from this Call.

**3. How will funds be allocated?**

Alianza MX has reserved a seed fund to support mobilities for UC students to Mexico in 2024 up to USD \$50,000 per campus. The funds can be allocated to one or more mobility projects to Mexico throughout the year and will be awarded by Alianza MX to proposals that meet the criteria stated on this Call and based on the assessment and ranking of an Evaluation Committee.

**4. Can funds be used for student field research?**

Field Research is one of the mobility modalities that meets the eligibility criteria for this program. Other modalities include faculty-led programs, study abroad at a Mexican institution, or a capstone project.

**5. Are there specific programs/locations students should go to?**

Each UC coordinating office must plan and coordinate programmatic activities directly with partner institutions in Mexico. We advise that interested applicants consult with their campus global affairs and risk management offices to determine that the location (s) of the planned mobility follows campus guidelines for international travel.

**6. How do I get a letter from the corresponding campus Risk Management office certifying that the proposed mobility meets campus guidelines for international travel?**

You should reach out to your [campus Risk Management office](#) to inquire about the procedure to get an assessment for your program

**7. When do I need to submit the letter from the corresponding campus Risk Management office certifying that the proposed mobility meets campus guidelines for international travel?**

You can submit the assessment from the Risk Management Office at any point before the awards are issued in February 2024. Some campuses will require a minimum of 3 months to conduct an assessment; others may only do so for proposals already selected for funding. Please note that if your proposal is selected for funding under this Call, you will be required to submit the risk assessment letter within a maximum timeframe of 3 weeks.

**8. Do you have any suggestions for how we might be able to find a partner institution in Mexico?**

We recommend that faculty/coordinating departments leverage prior existing collaborations with higher education institutions in Mexico and build a program with the support of the campus Faculty-Led Programs/Education Abroad Offices. Upon request, we can also provide a list of contacts to help facilitate communication with faculty/researchers at some of our partner institutions in Mexico (email Julio Sosa at [julio.sosa@ucr.edu](mailto:julio.sosa@ucr.edu) if you need this list).

**Below is a list of some of our partner institutions in Mexico that we can provide a contact for:**

- Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)
- El Colegio de México (COLMEX)
- Centro de Investigación y de Estudios Avanzados (CINVESTAV)
- Universidad de las América Puebla (UDLAP)
- Universidad de Guadalajara (UDG)
- Instituto Politécnico Nacional (IPN)
- Centro de Investigación Científica y de Educación Superior de Ensenada (CICESE)
- Universidad Autónoma de Baja California (UABC)
- Universidad Panamericana (UP)
- Tecnológico de Monterrey
- Universidad Autónoma Chapingo
- El Colegio de la Frontera Norte (EL COLEF)