

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA ALIANZA MX
CALL FOR PROPOSALS: SMALL GRANTS
SPRING/SUMMER 2025

Opening: Tuesday, October 15

Closing: Monday, December 16

Alianza MX announces a call for proposals for small grants to support activities in the following areas:

- *Mexican, Latino, Hispanic, or Chicano Studies in the Humanities and Arts*
- *United States-Mexico Relations in the Social Sciences*
- *Mexico-Related Studies in Engineering, Mathematics, or Natural Sciences*

Through this call, University of California researchers can apply for up to **USD \$5,000** in funding for activities from **March 1, 2025 to August 31, 2025**. These activities may include travel for a research conference or workshop presentation in Mexico or hosting a conference, performance, or presentation at a UC campus.

Eligibility

- Only University of California employees eligible under [UCOP Principal Investigator \(PI\) Guidelines](#) may submit proposals. *Note: Students and postdoctoral scholars cannot submit proposals.*
- The PI may submit only one proposal in response to this call and must propose unique activities that are not included in current research funded by or active proposal submitted to Alianza MX.
- Any PI that has previously received a funding award from Alianza MX must submit required final reports for that award before they can receive funding through this call.

Budgets

Allowable expenses include the following:

- Domestic and international travel for the PI and any project participants. Applicable costs include transportation, lodging, and meals in accordance with the PI's UC campus guidelines.
- Event (conference, meeting, or performance) hosting costs at a UC campus.

Small grants funding may not be used for the following:

- Salary payments to the PI or other academic salaries, including research and teaching assistants.
- Student tuition or academic fees.
- Travel for conference or workshop attendance that does not include a presentation by the PI.
- Event hosting costs at Casa de la Universidad de California in Mexico City.
- Reimbursement for activities that occur before March 1, 2025.
- Indirect costs or institutional overhead assessments.

Conditions

- Alianza MX support must be acknowledged in publications, extramural funding proposals, and/or other materials that directly result from this funding award.
- Funding award recipients must submit a final report of their activities and include copies of conference reports, publications, proposals, and/or other relevant materials.

Submission of Proposals

The following items must be submitted via the link below.

- Cover Page:** Include contact information for the PI, department administrator to receive and administer the funding award, and the relevant UC campus Research or Contracts & Grants Office. Max. 1 pp. *Note: UC campus offices may require review of proposals prior to submission.*
- Project Plan:** Provide a narrative statement explaining the request for funds, including a timeline of proposed activities. Max. 2 pp.
- Participant info:** Provide CV for the PI and professional bios for additional project participants (e.g., speakers hosted at a UC campus event). Max. 2 pp per CV and 1 pp per additional bio.
- Budget:** Provide a summary of planned expenditures, including travel for conference or workshop presentations and/or event hosting costs at a UC campus (e.g., academic honoraria, audiovisual services, facilities fees, and meals). Max. 1 pp.
- Conference Materials:** For travel to present at a conference, include the organizer's invitation or acceptance of paper. For event hosting at a UC campus, include a draft agenda. Maximum 3 pp.
- Matching Funds (if applicable):** Proposals that include documentation of matching funds provided by a UC campus or extramural sources will be considered favorably.

Review Process and Criteria

Proposals will be reviewed and selected by an evaluation committee organized by Alianza MX. In addition to such standard criteria as quality, clarity, and feasibility of the proposal, the evaluation process will also assess its potential to advance novel or unique forms of collaboration between the UC system and partners in Mexico. Neither pre-review of proposals nor reviewer comments will be provided. Proposal selections for funding awards will be final.

Applicants should verify that participants in their proposed activities have the documentation required to participate fully. Please note that the U.S. State Department is responsible for all decisions regarding visas to enter the United States and Alianza MX is not able to expedite the process.

For all other questions, please contact AlianzaMXResearch@ucr.edu.

**Please submit a complete proposal at the following link
no later than December 16, 2024:**

<https://forms.gle/tRygXot3dk1Tqfos9>