

University of California Alianza MX

Pilot Program: Multi-Year Funding for Mobilities to Mexico 2026-2029

Application Deadline: January 9, 2026

The primary objective of this pilot program is to support sustained student mobilities to Mexico by providing funding over a 3-year period for Campus-led student mobility programs that have successfully participated in prior UC Alianza MX's Seed Funding for Mobilities to Mexico in 2023, 2024 and/or 2025.

This pilot program seeks proposals for student mobility programs in a multi-year format with the aim of further expanding current successful mobility initiatives and consolidating UC campuses' long-term inter-institutional partnerships with Mexico. This pilot also aims to expand participation accessibility in innovative programs to the broader UC student community.

Proposals should include clear plans for administering a student mobility program to Mexico. Programs should be tailored for UC undergraduate and/or master's student participants and take place over consecutive academic cycles of Fall 26 through Summer 27; Fall 27 through Summer 28; and Fall 28 through Summer 29. Programs must meet all Funding Conditions described in this Call.

Eligibility

Mobility programs that were funded by all three (3) of the previous Seed Funding for Mobilities to Mexico Calls, (2023, 2024 and 2025) are only eligible to apply.

Proposals submitted to this Call, will not be eligible for the 2026 Seed Funding for Mobilities to Mexico Call.

Proposals from UC faculty members, staff, and administrators are welcomed.

Please note that all proposals must include a letter of support from the corresponding department Chair/Director or Senior International Officer.

All applicants who have previously received a funding award from Alianza MX must be in good standing with all reporting requirements.

Multi-Year Funding

Alianza MX will provide up to \$40,000 per year, for 3 years, to selected proposals. Funding is contingent upon resource availability and the timely submission of reports required by this Call.

Allowable expenses under this Call are limited to the following:

- Transportation costs for participating students and lead faculty/program manager;
- Lodging; meals and incidentals;
- Educational and/or excursion fees;
- Supplementary global health/travel insurance;
- Additional documentation required for travel, like passports and visas when applicable;

- Expenses and costs related to the program's management.

Funds will be disbursed to the home campus of the coordinating office/department and should be administered according to campus guidelines and the budget included in the proposal.

Supplementary Funds

In addition to meeting the Funding Conditions outlined below, proposals must include the following in the budget:

- A minimum contribution of 25% of total program costs in supplementary funds covered by the respective UC campus and/or an additional funding source for each year.
- The amount of supplementary funding and its intended use for the mobility.

Funding Conditions

All proposed mobilities must meet the following criteria:

- Proposed programming must maintain the modality, learning outcomes, and academic and/or curricular value for participating students of the original programs awarded under the Seed Funding for Mobilities to Mexico Calls, in 2023, 2024 and 2025.
- Participating students must be of the Undergraduate or master's level; PhD and postdoc students are excluded from this Call.
- Proposed programming must include the participation of a minimum of 10 students per year.
- Proposed programming must have an academic and/or curricular value for participating students that are quantifiable. Proposals must clearly state the learning outcomes of the proposed mobilities.
- Proposed programming must be planned to extend between 10 days and 6 weeks, per year. Academic symposiums, conferences, and other events of this kind are excluded from this Call.
- Proposed programming must be planned and coordinated by the campuses themselves or through a partnering institution in Mexico.
- All proposals must comply with corresponding campus guidelines for student international travel and must also submit a yearly letter from the corresponding campus Risk Management office certifying that the proposed mobility meets campus guidelines for international travel.
- After the mobility completion every year, awardees must complete an Outcomes and a Financial Report form as provided by Alianza, as well as participating student exit surveys, and provide the corresponding testimonials, photographs, projects and/or presentations that can be used for communication purposes.

Submission

Applications must include all items listed below and submitted electronically via the Google Form link below, in PDF format, prior to the application deadline for the application to be considered complete.

1. **Multi-Year Funding for Mobilities to Mexico Application Form.** The Google form application can be accessed [here](#).
2. **Summary of Proposal.** This document should summarize
 - the specific mobility modality and activities to be undertaken
 - the expected timeline for each of the 3 years
 - the specific learning outcomes of the proposed program
 - the academic and/or curricular value for participating students that can be quantifiable (please specify if the proposed program is credit-awarding)
 - the scope of collaboration with a Mexican partner institution
 - the relevance of the proposed program to the U.S. and California-Mexico Agenda.
 - a budget overview, per year for 3 years
3. **Letter from the corresponding UC Department Chair or the Campus Senior International Officer.** This letter should provide a statement of support for the applicant's proposed program that confirms their approval and support of the proposed activities and funding over the span of the 3 years. The letter should also confirm the unrestricted funding source (s) of the supplementary cost-share including the amount as required by the call.

Deadline

Proposals will be accepted through January 9, 2026.

Proposals may be submitted [here](#).

Please submit one form per proposed program.

Results

Results will be available February, 2026.

Contact

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