Catalyst Collaboration Fund
Climate and Nature Emergency
2022-2023

Funding Description

Deadline Cycle 1: September 15th, 2022
Deadline Cycle 2: November 15th, 2022

As part of PWIAS efforts to support inter- and trans-disciplinary coordinated efforts to address the climate and nature emergency, we invite faculty at UBCV and UBCO and their associates to submit applications for the PWIAS Catalyst Collaboration Fund. The available funds ($180,000) will support two project streams (Seed/match funding or KMP/events) for up to $10,000 in two funding cycles with deadlines in September and November 2022.

Selection Criteria

Stream 1 - Seed or match funding for research projects related to Climate & Nature Emergency;

Stream 2 - Events related to Climate & Nature Emergency focused on scholarly, artistic and research collaborations (e.g. academic roundtables and community engagement events) and knowledge translation and mobilization (e.g. videos, resources, open-access courses, larger public-facing events) related to the Climate & Nature Emergency.

Both funding streams - Applications must demonstrate how they meet the below criteria:

● Interdisciplinary and/or transdisciplinary projects in areas directly or indirectly related to Climate & Nature Emergency.

● Projects must meet and demonstrate at least 3 out of the 4 principles listed below.

● Projects must involve collaborations across disciplines, with students, organisations and or communities.

4 Guiding Principles of the Wall Catalyst Program:

Ethical Collaborations: Transdisciplinary, intergenerational, and community relationship building grounded on trust, respect, reciprocity, consent, and accountability.

Intellectual Depth: (self)Critical and relational rigour in moving beyond common patterns of simplistic solutions, paternalistic forms of engagements and ethnocentric ideals of sustainability, justice, and change.
**Reparative Redistribution**: Allocation of resources prioritising populations most affected by the Climate and Nature Emergency and precarity, and research areas of greatest urgency and impact guided by principles of reparation.

**Engagement with the Indigenous Strategic Plan**: Deepening understanding of settler responsibilities and supporting the aspirations of Indigenous scholars and communities.

**Budget**

- For both streams applicants will receive a grant up to $10,000 to be used preferably within the 22/23 academic year. There will be the opportunity for a one year extension on the funds with a written request.
- Activities in B.C. will be prioritised for funding.
- The funds cannot be taken as salary stipends for faculty.
- We encourage the use of the funds with research and knowledge mobilization involving students and with communities that have been directly affected by climate change and biodiversity loss.
- A project can only be funded once through this program.

**Eligibility**

- Applicants are required to hold a faculty position at UBC (including UBCO) at the rank of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor, or Clinical Faculty in either the research or teaching streams.
- Projects should demonstrate inter- or trans-disciplinary coordinated efforts to address the climate and nature emergency.
- Projects should align with at least 3 of the 4 guiding principles of the Wall Catalyst Program.
- Applicants should be working in partnership with other disciplines, students, organizations, communities and/or staff.
- A project can only be funded once through this program.

We strongly encourage applications from members of equity deserving groups.

**Application**

Cycle 1: Deadline September 15th, 2022 - 5pm
Cycle 2: Deadline Cycle 2: November 15th, 2022
Applications will be adjudicated by an interdisciplinary peer review process and should be written for non-specialists (i.e., avoid technical or field-specific jargon).

Interested applicants should submit:

- A complete Application Form describing your projects contributions to the thematic area and how the project aligns with the principles of the Catalyst Program.
- A complete and signed RPIF.
- If working with organization community partner/s an appropriate Letter/s of Support.

Successful awardees will be notified by September 30th 2022 for Cycle 1 and by December 2nd, 2022 for Cycle 2.

Applicants will not receive detailed feedback on their applications.

Contact

Questions should be directed to: catalyst.program@pwias.ubc.ca