

INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR LIBRARIES AND LIBRARIANS

Guidelines

The Office of the Vice President for International Affairs (OVPIA) offers grant opportunities to support libraries and librarians at any IU campus for a range of projects and activities aimed at developing the international collections of their libraries, or enhancing their ability to take advantage of international opportunities regarding library development. Types of proposals supported include: domestic or international travel to examine special collections that might enhance the university's holdings, or to collaborate with colleagues at other institutions on special internationally focused library projects; domestic or international travel to special book or media fairs featuring international content; visits to funding agencies in the U.S. or abroad to identify and coordinate support for special or unique library projects with an international focus. One-time funding is also available for projects that enhance user-access to IU's international collections and resources.

Proposals must have a major international dimension. Proposals will be enhanced if they can demonstrate a commitment of matching funds from relevant units (area studies centers, departments, schools, or the IU Libraries).

Evaluation Criteria: Proposals will be evaluated in terms of their potential benefits to the development of the IU Libraries. Request for travel funds must address how the proposal contributes to the campus library's strategies for developing its international collections. Awards are made by the Vice President of International Affairs with the advice of a systemwide committee. Notification of awards is generally made one month after the deadline.

Eligibility: Tenured and tenure-track librarians at any IU campus.

Deadlines: October 15; March 15.

Funding: Awards up to \$1,500. (Travel to conferences is not supported under this program; see OIP's "Overseas Conference Fund")

Application Procedures: A complete application consists of the following:

- = Completion of OVPIA Grants Summary Cover Sheet (*attached*).
- = A detailed statement from two to three pages describing the purpose and significance of the proposal, how the requested travel contributes to the campus library's strategies for developing its international collections; which academic constituents are being served by these developments; the relevance of the project to the librarian's areas of expertise.
- = A copy of the applicant's Curriculum Vitae.
- = Evaluation of proposal by head of the unit.

Submission of Application: The complete application must be submitted by the deadline indicated to: Office of the Vice President for International Affairs, Bryan Hall 104; IU-Bloomington. For further information, contact Edda Callahan (tel: 812-855-5021; fax: 812-855-6884; e-mail: egcallah@indiana.edu).

Typed Name and Title _____

Signature _____

Please return evaluation to:
Office of the Vice President for International Affairs
104 Bryan Hall, IU-Bloomington