



STUDENT DIVERSITY PROJECT GRANT: OVERVIEW

The Student Diversity Project Proposal allows students to apply to the Office of Academic Diversity for funding to support events, projects, or programming that will enhance diversity and promote student inclusion efforts in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. To apply, please complete and submit the Student Diversity Project Proposal application. The submission will be carefully reviewed, and the Assistant Dean for Academic Diversity will be in contact to arrange a short interview for a select number of proposals.

STUDENT DIVERSITY PROJECT GRANT GUIDELINES

Individual students as well as student groups are eligible to apply for funding; students must be enrolled in GSAS, and groups must be organizations recognized by GSAC. If a student group wishes to apply for funding, a responsible student must be designated on the application.

All proposals will be reviewed by the Assistant Dean for Academic Diversity and GSAS' Finance Manager. Following a short interview, the responsible student will have one week to make requested revisions and/or information before the application is accepted. Applications must be submitted at least four weeks prior to the event date.

The responsible student will be required to submit a budget proposal as part of the application. The maximum award is \$1000. The funding approved will be determined by the scope and scale of the project.

Proposals for personal research or tied to a departmental program of study will not be considered. Sample proposals may include (but are not limited to):

- Social event / mixer
- Invitation to a guest speaker
- Student panel discussion
- Travel to a cultural event
- Diversity discussion (e.g., the "Difficult Discussion" Series)

This list is not exhaustive; we strongly encourage proposers to think expansively about what programs and events will further the mission of the Office of Academic Diversity as well as enrich student experience and research at Columbia. Please feel free to email gsas-diversity@columbia.edu with questions and requests for feedback on possible ideas for proposals.