



USP-Yale Strategic Partnership Initiatives: Joint Call for Seed Funding

Goal

The Universidade de São Paulo (USP) and Yale University (Yale) make a call for joint research projects, in order to promote and reinforce the academic and scientific cooperation between both institutions in the areas of law and medical sciences.

The aim of this call is to provide seed funding for the development of joint projects, with at least one research team from USP and one research team from Yale.

Funding

The total amount of funding dedicated to the present call is 100,000.00 US Dollars from USP-Yale fund (USP-Yale-Santander agreement #2016.1.8163.1.1), which is available at USP as a fund of 314.290,00 BR Reais (Agreement USP-Santander #2016.1.27974.1.1). Each project should have two team leaders one from USP and one from Yale. The team leaders will submit the same project to the scientific coordinator of their home university.

The approved projects will receive the equivalent of up to 15,000.00 US dollars (47.143,50 BR Reais) and they will last for 1 year. A detailed budget must be provided in the project. Funds may cover travel, room, and board for traveling faculty, students, and fellows, including airline tickets, per diems, and related expenses. The Brazilian team leader will be responsible to administrate the whole budget, since the resources are at USP.

Selection Process

USP and Yale will each set up an ad-hoc committee for the selection of the submitted proposals. Each committee is under the responsibility of the scientific coordinator (Prof. Raul Machado Neto for USP and Donald Filer for Yale). The bilateral Governance Committee should meet in person or using long distance and video conferencing technology once a year (in alternate locations, if in person). The final decision will be made jointly.

Selection criteria

Further relevant criteria applied in the selection process are the following:

- Scientific quality and innovativeness of the research project;



- Potential for acquiring additional funds;
- Feasibility of the research plan;
- Proportion of the budgetary plan with regard to project plan;
- Competence and expertise of the researchers or research teams.

Obligations

Successful applicants are required to follow the proposed project and to submit a two to three pages final report no later than one month after the end of the grant period. Periodic status updates on the progress of the project may be requested, depending on the planned length of the project. The report should include the following information on: objectives proposed and activities undertaken; project outcomes and achievements, including key findings and future plans; a brief assessment by the lead researcher of actual expenditure against plan.

Timeline

The present call opens on March 15th 2017 and closes on May 12th 2017. Proposals must be written in English. The committees' response is expected by end of June 2017.

Submission

Please use the submission form provided below. Team leaders from Yale, please submit to world@yale.edu.

USP team leaders should submit to Sistema Mundus (Edital nº 664), as a pdf document, <https://uspdigital.usp.br/mundus/editalintercambiopublicoListar?nivpbcavo=D&codmnu=3144>.



ANNEX

Proposal for joint USP-Yale research

The proposal should be written in English and limited to a total of 4 pages.

Title of project:

Principal Investigators

Team leader at Universidade de São Paulo (USP) :

Email:

Department and Faculty:

Team leader at Yale University:

Email:

Department and Faculty:

Names of participants (required information: status (professor, PhD candidate, post-doc), university or school, discipline, research center)

Name of participants	Status	Research center	University

Aim of the project (2 pages maximum)



5 major bibliographical references

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Budget

Description of the planned spending	Amount
Total amount	

Justification of the budget (maximum half a page)

Abstract / Short summary (approx. 5000 characters)