APSA Asia Workshops Small Grants

Overview
With support from the Henry Luce Foundation, APSA’s Asia Workshops small grants program supports the continued professional development of early-career scholars from East and Southeast Asia, facilitates networking, encourages collaboration between scholars in the United States and across Asia, and promotes linkages with institutions and political science communities across the region.

Application Deadline
The next deadline for submitting Alumni Grants is Sunday September 29, 2019. Applicants are encouraged to e-mail asiaworkshops@apsanet.org in advance of submission with questions and/or a draft proposal for review. Proposals should be submitted online at https://apsa.wufoo.com/forms/apsa-asia-workshop-alumni-grants/.

Types of Grants

1. Individual Research Grants: These research grants support individual Asia Workshops alumni in their research and professional development. Up to $1,000 is available to each fellow of the present year’s workshop. Funding can be used to support individuals conducting field research, or presenting at a regional academic conference, workshop or symposium relevant to their current research. The field research must take place in East or Southeast Asia, and preferably in coordination with a university, research institute, or scholarly association. Applications will be reviewed by APSA staff and approved by the Asia Steering Committee.

2. Collaborative Grants: These grants support alumni-initiated projects that promote scholarly exchange with other researchers, institutions, and networks in the US and across East and Southeast Asia. Grants of up to $6,000 (contingent on funding availability) will be made to support individuals or small teams interested in hosting a mini-workshop or short course at a university or research institute in East or Southeast Asia. Applicants should develop a proposal, with the support of a host institution, to bring together scholars for a specific academic program. Examples may include: a writing workshop for scholars preparing a manuscript for publication; a seminar for recent PhD graduates and early-career lecturers on best practices for teaching or preparing course materials; or a seminar in which early-career scholars work together with a senior scholar to examine an aspect of pedagogy or research methodology. The grant is available to all alumni across all cohort years; however, at least one member of the team should be affiliated with the host institution. Applications will be reviewed by APSA staff and approved by the Asia Steering Committee.

Application Guidelines
All applications should be submitted online through the online form.

Applications for Individual Grants should be submitted with the following documents attached:
- Updated CV for the applicant
- A statement (no more than 500 words) describing how the proposed program is related to your current research and how it will advance your professional development
- An itemized budget clearly identifying the amount requested and how it will be used
- Proof of presentation/support for the proposed program is required and should be submitted as part of the application, either as an official invitation letter (if available) from the host organization for conference participation or an e-mail from a supporting contact for field research. Note: If conference paper acceptances haven’t yet been determined, you may apply for the grant with the understanding that funding would be contingent on being accepted for paper presentation.
Applications for Collaborative Grants should be submitted with the following documents attached:

- Updated CVs for all co-applicants
- A detailed Program Outline explaining the goals, theme, format, dates, location, and leadership of the proposed program (approx. 2-3 pages)
- An itemized budget clearly identifying the amount requested and how it will be used (be as specific as possible, with individual budget lines for each expected expense).
- A Statement of Support from all organizational partners involved in the proposed program
- Additional supporting documents (preferred, but not required) that justify the capacity of your team to organize the proposed project: draft schedule of events for the program, a timeline for logistical planning and implementation, etc.

Applicants are encouraged to reach out to APSA staff prior to the grant deadline for feedback on their application prior to submission. Grant funding will be awarded, via wire transfer, directly to the primary grant applicant (or the proposed host institution) as found mutually agreeable. All grants projects must be completed within one year of the date awarded. Awardees will be required to submit final grant reports within one year of the date awarded. Any unexpended funds must be returned to APSA at the conclusion of the grant period. Questions should be directed to asiaworkshops@apsanet.org.