

# **The Lois B. DeFleur International Innovation Endowment**

## ***Spring 2025 Request for Proposals***

The Lois B. DeFleur International Innovation Endowment provides one-time seed funding for faculty and staff leadership in the development of projects that enable students, faculty and staff to obtain unique and impactful international experiences either on or off campus, or in another country. The endowment's goal is to increase the breadth and depth of participants' international experiences with a major focus to provide support for initiatives that promote increased global awareness, respect and competence.

Proposals from the Binghamton University community — faculty or staff — are invited for innovative projects that can be sustained over time to bring permanent enhancements to curricular or co-curricular undergraduate or graduate student experiences in support of Binghamton University's commitment to global engagement. Individual research proposals will not receive funding unless a major portion of the project will yield programmatic development for a department or academic program.

Proposals must include clear statements of the following:

- The goals for the project and how such goals would enhance the campus' global engagement.
- Detailed description of the project. Include preparatory steps to be taken prior to the project and steps required for full implementation.
- Designation of the target audience(s) or beneficiaries and the benefits they will receive.
- Potential for collaboration by faculty or staff within or beyond your unit. Proposers are strongly encouraged to take a transdisciplinary approach.
- Specific desired outcomes of the project and how these will be assessed.
- How, if successful, the project could be sustained over time.

An itemized budget with an explanation of the estimated costs must be included. Funds may be used in a variety of ways including domestic or international travel and the purchase of materials for classroom use. Shared funding with other sources is highly encouraged.

One award in the amount of approximately \$4,000 will be awarded before the end of the spring 2024 semester for a project that will be undertaken between June 1, 2025 and Aug. 31, 2026. Applications, including cover sheet, must be submitted by email to the Office of the Vice Provost for International Education and Global Affairs <mgovinda@binghamton.edu> and Lauren Garnett <lgarnett@binghamton.edu>, **no later than Monday, March 24, 2025.**

### **NOTE**

Previous Lois B. DeFleur International Innovation Endowment award winners are not eligible if they have received funds within the past five years (2019-2024).



**Spring 2025 Proposal for the Lois B. DeFleur International Innovation Endowment**  
**Application deadline: March 24, 2025**

**Cover Sheet**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Department \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Project \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Endorsement of Department Chair/Office Director:**

I have read the full proposal and recommend that Binghamton University support it. (If you wish, you may attach a statement indicating additional information that would be useful for review of this proposal.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Endorsement of Dean (if Academic Affairs) or Vice President/Provost (if from some other Division):**

I have read the full proposal and recommend that Binghamton University support it. (If you wish, you may attach a statement indicating additional information that would be useful for review of this proposal.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Attach cover sheet to your proposal**

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March 2025

Submission Date