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HARVARD CHINA FACULTY GRANT PROGRAM

FY17 CALL FOR CONFERENCE AND RESEARCH PROPOSALS

As the major internal funder of Harvard research related to China, the Harvard China Fund administers the *Harvard China Faculty Grant Program* to advance the research goals of Harvard faculty in collaboration with Chinese partners. Since 2007, the Harvard China Fund has awarded faculty grants totaling close to \$3 million to 38 recipients from across the University.

For the FY17 grant cycle, we are offering conference grants of up to \$60,000 each as well as research grants of \$50,000 - \$100,000. The proposed conference should take place at the Harvard Center Shanghai, preferably before March 2018. We welcome conference proposals in all research fields. Research proposals are welcome in any field and we especially encourage proposals in the areas of traditional Chinese arts and culture, environmental studies and education.

Preference will be given to proposed projects for which funding might not be otherwise available from traditional sources. Proposals are judged partially or fully on the following criteria:

- Academic excellence and benefit to or involvement of Harvard faculty
- Feasibility, innovation and interdisciplinary nature
- Organizational support (from Harvard and from Chinese universities and relevant institutions)
- Potential for impact in China

Application Details

Proposals will be reviewed by a sub-committee of the Harvard China Fund Steering Committee (comprised of 14 scholars from 10 of the University's schools). **The principal applicant must be full-time Harvard faculty at the assistant, associate, or full professorial rank. Harvard Medical School faculty must hold one of these titles and have a primary appointment in one of HMS's basic or social science departments.** (Although faculty members at HMS-affiliated hospitals are not eligible for these grants, they are welcome to organize conferences at the Harvard Center Shanghai. Please send an inquiry to juliacai@fas.harvard.edu for more information.)

For **conference proposals**, please submit a written proposal including:

- Narrative (suggested length of two pages):
 - Conference topic
 - Rationale—why is this important? What are the objectives?
- List of target participants, including Harvard faculty and Chinese colleagues, as well as other international scholars as appropriate
- Time frame
- Preliminary budget

For **research proposals**, please submit a one-page abstract including a list of key participants, and one-page preliminary budget. Following a review of the proposed projects, finalists will be asked to submit a formal proposal.

Deadline

October 31, 2016.

Interested applicants should e-mail their proposal to Julia Cai at juliacai@fas.harvard.edu.

Award announcement: Final decisions for conference grants and second round decisions for research proposals will be announced by **December 20, 2016.**