Call for Proposals:
2022 Columbia University Faculty of Arts & Sciences
Climate Humanities Course Development Grants

Description:
The Climate Humanities Initiative at Columbia University is seeking proposals for new courses in climate humanities, broadly defined. The Office of the Dean of the Humanities in Arts & Sciences will provide funding to support the development of undergraduate courses to be taught during the 2022-23 or 2023-24 academic years, in which the climate crisis is addressed in and through the humanities or humanistic social sciences, or any partnership that brings together climate science with these areas of study. Co-taught courses and collaborations between and across departments, divisions, and schools are particularly welcome.

Columbia’s undergraduate student body has displayed a passionate interest in integrating this urgent topic into their studies in new ways, without regard to disciplinary boundaries. This grant program aims to help meet that need, and to enable faculty with an interest in the climate crisis to explore novel methods for integrating it into their teaching and research. Proposals for courses that could be taught either at undergraduate or graduate levels are also welcome.

Funds can be used for materials (books, supplies), research or research assistance, course costs (speaker fees), or other needs. Awards cannot be used for teaching compensation or course release.

The course should be finalized in time to be taught during the 2022-23 or 2023-24 academic year. If this time-frame is not feasible for reasons of leave or other prior commitments, please explain in your application why a later date is needed.

In Spring 2023 or Spring 2024, grant winners will be expected to participate in a panel or colloquium event, during which they will share their course concepts and teaching experiences with other interested faculty in the community.

Deadline:
Applications will be accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis, with a final deadline of August 15, 2022.

Amount:
Maximum award is $2,500. Award cannot be used for teaching compensation. All expenses must be allowable research expenses.
Eligibility:
All tenure-track or tenured faculty, lecturers in discipline, practice faculty, regular adjuncts, and postdoctoral fellows at Columbia University are invited to apply. Co-teaching and inter-departmental / inter-school applications are encouraged. The award will be granted per course, rather than per person.

To apply:
To apply, submit a brief (1-2 page) course description, a simple budget for the award, and a CV from all teaching faculty, to Jessica Lilien at jl3880@columbia.edu.

Please contact Dean Sarah Cole at sc891@columbia.edu or Jessica Lilien at jl3880@columbia.edu with any questions.