



Northwestern University, Tel Aviv University, and the University of Toronto are contributing matching funds to support collaborative bilateral and trilateral research initiatives through a joint call for proposals from all research areas related to

The aim of the call is to encourage and provide initial support (seed funding) for the development of high-quality research activities that will enable principal investigators (PIs) to collaborate across institutions and successfully apply for external funding to support the next phase of their joint research.

Proposals must be _____ (between two universities) or _____ (between all universities) and may include targeted research support for activities such as joint research projects, joint workshops, researcher exchanges, and the formation or development of a collaborative network.

Doctoral students, post-doctoral fellows, and adjunct faculty may participate. However, they (and external collaborators such as researchers from other universities, or those working in non-academic contexts) cannot lead an application. External collaborators cannot be funded by this grant and must participate at their own expense.

_____ This funding is intended to support expenses, including but not limited to: costs of travel (PIs, post-doctoral fellows, research associates, graduate researchers) between the institutions, research running costs, and costs associated with workshops/meetings. See details of eligible and ineligible costs below.

Travel, including flights, hotels and subsistence Costs associated with organising workshops and meetings Research costs, including consumables	Replacement research/teaching costs Directly incurred staff e.g. Research Assistant Directly allocated costs e.g. applicants' time Indirect costs/estates costs Equipment Conference attendance Tuition fees, scholarships or honoraria
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Eligible proposals will include PIs from _____ institutions. Eligible applicants (below) may only lead one application as co-PI but can be listed as a co-investigator on others.

Faculty from any of Northwestern's schools and colleges are welcome to apply.

: All TAU PIs from all faculties are eligible to apply and participate in exchange activities.

: Applicants who are Faculty members in continuing Toronto appointments or AGE-WELL affiliated researchers are eligible to submit proposals. Faculty members in continuing Toronto appointments, AGE-WELL-affiliated researchers, and the students and fellows under their supervision are eligible to participate in exchange activities.

Up to 8 proposals will be funded for a period of up to 12 months.

Trilateral proposals (PIs from all three institutions) can access funding from all three institutions.

Bilateral proposals (PIs from two institutions) can access funding from the two institutions represented by the PIs.

Each institution will pay funds directly to its PI and approve expenditures for those funds.

Significant variations from the proposed budget will require approval from all three institutions.

Recipients will be awarded up to:

10K USD from Northwestern;

10K USD from Tel Aviv; and

14K CAD from Toronto.

A joint committee composed of members of all three institutions appointed by the Potocsnak Institute for Northwestern, the Healthy Longevity Research Center for Tel Aviv, and AGE-WELL for Toronto will assess each proposal according to its merit using the following criteria:

: How clearly presented and justified is the basis for,

One joint application per project should be submitted through our Monday.com [portal](#). All applications should use [_____](#), where you will enter the required elements listed below, and then upload the form to the [portal](#) referenced above:

– list project participants, and include abbreviated CVs for each Co-PI (with a selected list of publications)- up to two pages per PI.

- ii. – a brief description of the project (200 words)
- iii. (200 words)
- iv. (250 words) – describe how the proposed activities combine mutual areas of interest and strength, and the added value of this combined expertise.
- v. (up to 1000 words)
 - i. Specific aims of the project

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