HumLOG
Action Lab 2023

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About the Grant:

Partners of the Americas and the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs (WHA) at the U.S. Department of State (DOS) invited higher education institutions (HEIs) from the United States to partner with regional higher education institutions in Colombia, Peru, Ecuador and Bolivia to submit proposals for this U.S.-Andean 100,000 Strong in the Americas (100K) Innovation Fund grant competition. The 100K Innovation Fund grant opportunities are supported through generous contributions from CAF—Development Bank of Latin America (CAF), Colombia’s Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (Minciencias) and the Department of State (WHA-DOS). It is designed to support innovative partnerships between HEIs that will result in new models of inclusive student exchange and training programs between the United States and Colombia, Peru, Ecuador and Bolivia.

Background: The 100K Innovation Fund is the public-private sector partnership and collaboration among WHA-DOS, U.S. Embassies and Partners of the Americas, working with companies, foundations, regional government entities and academic networks throughout the United States, Latin America and the Caribbean. In nine years (2013-2022), the Innovation Fund has awarded 278 grants to teams of 534 HEIs working across 25 countries and 49 U.S. states. Mexico, Colombia, Brazil, Peru, Argentina, Chile, Guatemala and Costa Rica are leading grant-recipient countries in this hemisphere-wide education initiative to partner with HEIs in the United States to create and implement innovative, inclusive student exchange and training programs. The 100K Network thus far includes over 2,300 regional HEIs – with 1,250 in the United States – and growing.

The goals of the 100K Innovation Fund align with DOS priorities to build institutional capacity, increase access to inclusive education opportunities, stimulate economic prosperity and contribute to workforce development. The 100K-funded partnerships between HEIs in the U.S. and the rest of the Western Hemisphere provide students with opportunities to work in teams in their home and host institutions, solve real-world problems and gain technical, linguistic and intercultural skills – imperative for their workforce readiness.
**What is HumLOG Action Lab?**

**HumLOG** – Action Lab is a training and student Exchange program focused on developing the skills and resilience necessary for successfully responding to natural hazards, emergencies and disasters in Colombia and the United States.

Participants will develop an online training program and work in teams where they will be challenged to solve engineering, humanitarian, logistical and organizational management problems. Each team will be composed of students from Oklahoma State University (United States), Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar (Colombia) and Universidad de La Sabana (Colombia).

Participants will work on challenges, test theory, and hone their abilities while developing solutions to natural disasters and humanitarian crises.
Application Requirements:

1. Interest in international studies, disaster relief, sustainability, etc.
   a. Students currently studying global studies, political science, geography or CEAT majors are preferred.
2. A junior, senior, or graduate student enrolled at Oklahoma State University.
3. One page max on the narrative of why you would like to join (English).
4. A CV (English).

Deadline to apply: March 1st.

To Apply:

Click the link or scan the QR code to fill out the application.

https://okstate.forms-db.com/view.php?id=1184759
Benefits:

1. This program will be validated for a 3-credit elective course.
2. The winners of the challenge will have the opportunity to travel to partner universities.
3. Program certificate, awarded by the three partner universities: Universidad de La Sabana, Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar, and Oklahoma State University.
4. The partner universities will cover the costs of airfare, international insurance, lodging and registration to an introductory camp with Oklahoma State University. Students must cover meals and personal expenses.

What will the program be like?

- **Training Phase:**
  - **Module I – Introduction:** Generalities of humanitarian logistics, principles, technology, new trends, and NGOs.
  - **Module II – Humanitarian Logistics:** Emergency situations, types of emergencies, external factors, risks, infrastructure, and communication.
  - **Module III – Development of Humanitarian Logistics Research Projects:** Characterizing a humanitarian problem, methodologies to obtain data and information and construction of solutions.
- Participants will travel to Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar in Cartagena for one week and La Sabana in Bogota for one week.