Eagle Connections - Collaboration Grants
(Open to All Recognized Student Organizations)

Grant Criteria

- The Eagle Connections - Collaboration Grant (ECCG) is for *new, innovative, collaborative projects* that aim to positively impact students, campus and/or wider community. It is **not** intended to sustain long-standing, already existing activities.

- Funding must be requested by registered student organizations in good standing with the University as determined EMU Campus Life.

- Collaboration must be between two or more organizations that are not traditionally grouped together, do not have history of past collaborations, and/or do not have similar aspirations embedded in their mission statements, activism, or programming (i.e. Alpha Phi Omega and College Democrats; QUEST, Kurdish Student Association and Diversion Dance Troupe; American Marketing Association, Alpha Gamma Delta, and Unprepared and confident).

- All organizations within proposal must be directly and actively involved in all phases of the program from inception to post-assessment.

- Assessment criteria with specific goals, objectives and measures for program success must be submitted as part of the application process. Assessment results demonstrating the impact of the program must be submitted within 30 days following the program.

- You must also fill out a collaboration reflection together as a team after the event on EagleSync and all organization presidents must sign off on it.

Grant Guidelines

- Submission must be received by Campus Life by the end of the day 12/8
- A timeline for purchases and a budget breakdown must be submitted
- Incomplete or handwritten applications will not be considered
- Submit only ONE request and include every organization's information on it
- Collaborative events cannot be purely social in nature
- Prizes, alcohol, and articles of clothing cannot be funded
- All purchases will be done through Campus Life directly to ensure purchases align with proposed budget
- You can request up to $500
- No awards will be allocated if submissions do not warrant funding per established criteria

Funding Priority

The ECCG seeks to promote collaborative connections between undergraduate and graduate student organizations, Eastern Michigan University students, and the Eastern Michigan University community in accordance with the University's mission and values as well as EMU Campus Life's mission and values. Funding proposals which seek to further those values will be given the highest consideration. Other factors which will impact an award decision will include:

- Scope of the event (number of students impacted, scale, likelihood of success, etc.)
- Assessment plan to measure success and impact of program
- Level and uniqueness of collaboration
- Availability of other funding source(s)

Additionally, special consideration will be given to proposals that address the following issues:

- Engaging Diversity
- Community Engagement
- Global Awareness
- Inclusion
- Leadership
- Social Justice
- Sustainability

Allocation of grant funds will follow strict viewpoint neutrality and will not discriminate on the basis of age, color, disability, gender, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation or veteran's status.

Application/Award/Program Time Table

Applications process opens August 28, 2023

Applications are due by December 8, 2023

Funded initiatives must be complete by June 8, 2024

Guidelines and Application can be found by going your organization's EagleSync portal and clicking Forms > Eagle Connections - Collaboration Grant 2023-2024. Fill out the entire proposal, including the things you need to upload and submit them to Campus Life for a decision. For questions or assistance with your application, contact studentorgs@emich.edu.

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