

Call for Applications: 2019 UArctic Project Call for Networking Activities on Arctic Research and Education

The University of the Arctic (UArctic) call is now open for applications for networking projects in Arctic research and education.

Who can apply:

The main applicant has to come from a UArctic member university in Greenland, Denmark or the Faroe Islands. A <u>full list of member institutions</u> can be found on the UArctic website.

The funding is targeted to support cooperative projects on networking activities related to Arctic research and education, across all fields of science, whether the projects are new or a continuation of previous activities. Projects may be funded with a maximum total of 500.000 DKK. In total 1.5 mio. DKK has been allocated for this call by the Danish Agency for Science and Higher Education (DASHE).

Funding cannot be applied retrospectively and you cannot apply for funding for activities already carried out at the time when the funding decision is made.

Application deadline:

Applications have to be sent by e-mail to <u>secretariat@uarctic.org</u> by **June 7**, **2019 at 16 (CEST)**. **Applications received after the deadline will not be evaluated.** The funding decisions will be made by the end of July 2019, and the grants need to be accepted by successful candidates by August 15 at 16 (CEST), 2019.

Project length and funding amount:

Projects are funded with a maximum of 500.000 DKK.

Projects can have a maximum duration of two years within the timeframe September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2021.

Activities eligible for funding:

- Establishment and development of a UArctic Thematic Network.
- Development of joint courses or joint degree programs on topics with northern relevance at bachelor's, master's or PhD levels.
- Development of flexible education, especially internet-based programs or courses
- Networking activities related to research activities conducted by the UArctic Thematic Networks. A full list of the Thematic Networks can be found on the UArctic <u>website</u>.
- Education or research activities focusing on indigenous issues.

Eligible costs:

- Meeting and workshop expenses (e.g. venue, meals, accommodation and travels of the participants.
- Teaching fees or payments and per diems. Please note that you cannot cover the permanent salaries for scientific/academic or technical/administrative staff.
- Consumables related to research work

Note that it is possible to supplement mobility costs by using the north2north programme for <u>student</u> or <u>researcher mobility</u>, if relevant.

Application procedure:

Applications have to include a filled-in application form, a project plan, a detailed budget and the main applicant's CV (max two pages) with a list of relevant publication.

Areas of priority:

UArctic and DASHE encourage engagement between the Kingdom's UArctic member institutions, and other UArctic member institutions and UArctic activities. Therefore, priority will be given to projects that:

- Have a minimum of three partners (e.g. two UArctic members from Kingdom of Denmark countries, and one UArctic member from another country). However, it is beneficial to have more than three countries involved (there is no limit to the maximum number of partners). The majority of the project partners will have to come from UArctic member organizations. Involving partners from all UArctic member regions will be considered an asset (North America, Nordic countries, Russia, Asia and Europe). Unilateral (national) projects are ineligible for funding.
- Involve activities within an existing UArctic Thematic Network. The linkage to the Network needs to be characterized by an established contact to the Network in question and clearly accounted for within the application. The activities needs to be highlighted and specified. For a list of existing networks please see: https://www.uarctic.org/organization/thematic-networks/)
- Develop a new Thematic Network: A description of the developmental-process and preparations need to be clearly elaborated.

Project plan (maximum of 5 pages) **has to be attached to the application form and needs to include:**

- 1. The purpose and goal of the project
- 2. The project timeline (start and end date, major milestones)
- 3. Description of project activities (can be divided into work packages)
- 4. List of concrete deliverables and milestones with short descriptions
- 5. List of partners (person and organization) with contact information
- 6. Description of how the project fits in with the UArctic strategic plan <u>http://www.uarctic.org/about-uarctic/strategic-plan/</u>
- 7. Sustainability of the project: Which measures will be implemented to fund and institutionalize the project when UArctic funding ends, and what will be the timeframe for achieving this?
- 8. A detailed budget, including information on contributions from other partners (in-kind or financial)

Evaluation criteria:

Project proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- The feasibility of the project, its goals, activities, time line, deliverables and budget.
- Relevance to UArctic's goals and values (<u>http://www.uarctic.org/about-uarctic/strategic-plan/our-2020-goals/</u>)
- The experience and scientific merits of the main applicant.
- Internal project evaluation plan, including measuring impact of the activities and how the sustainability of the project will be ensured.

UArctic and DASHE expect that all research projects follow the Danish code of conduct for research integrity.

The grant is managed and administered by the UArctic International Secretariat in Finland in accordance with the recommendations from the Ministry of Higher Education and Science in Denmark.

For a list of previously funded projects see the attachment.

An information session regarding this UArctic Project Call will be held on May 9 from 12-16 at the Danish Agency for Science and Higher Education (DASHE), Bredgade 40, 1260 K Copenhagen. Registration for the event is necessary. You may register by emailing Pirkko Pulkkanen at secretariat@uarctic.org