



# European Union Center

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## COURSE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS 2015-16

**DEADLINE: January 5, 2016**

The University of Illinois European Union Center is pleased to offer up to two course development grants to University of Illinois faculty for the period January 16-August 15, 2015. The grants will be offered on a competitive basis in the amount of up to \$3,000\* each. Funds MUST be used by August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016. This grant is made possible by the Title VI National Resource Center grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

The main objective of this grant is to support course development proposals pursuing contemporary EU-oriented topics that meet the highest standards of excellence and contribute significantly to the advancement of EU studies and EUC academic programs at the University of Illinois. We encourage applications that will develop online courses to strengthen knowledge and understanding about Europe, the EU, and transatlantic relations, especially in ways that can combine professional and continuing education needs with demands for increased attention to the EU during a period of rapid social transition, migration, and economic flux. We are furthermore interested in courses on the 500-level that can be directly incorporated into the curriculum of the EUC's Master of Arts in EU Studies (MAEUS). In the past, similar grants have funded course development on EU issues of special relevance and timeliness, including EU enlargement; the transatlantic relationship; comparative educational structures; EU security and foreign policy; law and comparative constitutional development; business, finance, corporate governance, and economics; agro-environmental policies; immigration; minorities; civil society; gender; cultural identity; and others. We are absolutely open to orientation and methodology, including revisions to existing courses, and will be glad to consult with prospective applicants on how to craft a competitive proposal.

Grant funds may be used for faculty summer salary and fringe benefits; graduate research assistant salary and fringe benefits. These grants may not be used for travel.

Applications should include one copy of the following documents:

Completed application form available at <http://europe.illinois.edu/resources/faculty-funding>

- A one-to-two page project description;
- Project Budget (requests for faculty or assistantship salary support should include fringe benefits; please consult with your business officer for appropriate rates);
- Brief Curriculum vitae;
- One letter of recommendation from the departmental chairperson.

Announcement of awards will be made by January 15, 2016.

All application materials must be submitted by no later than 4:00 pm on Tuesday, January 5, 2016.

**Submit applications to:** European Union Center; 328 International Studies Building (MC-429) or via email to [eucenter@illinois.edu](mailto:eucenter@illinois.edu). For questions or concerns, please email us at [eucenter@illinois.edu](mailto:eucenter@illinois.edu).

\* We anticipate offering two awards in the amount of \$3,000 each, but may modify the amount and number of awards given .