

American Council of Learned Societies: Digital Extension Grants

Unrestricted funding opportunities

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Website:	https://www.acls.org/Competitions-and-Deadlines/ACLS-Digital-Extension-Grants
Submission Limitations:	None
Foundation Deadline:	Deadline is December 15, 2020, 9:00 p.m. EST

Please contact your RAS unit ***and Nicole Dancz to inform them of your intent to submit.***

Overview

ACLS invites applications for ACLS Digital Extension Grants, which are made possible by The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. The grants are designed to advance humanistic scholarship by enhancing established digital projects, extending their reach to new communities of users, and supporting teams of scholars at all career stages as they participate in digital research.

This program aims to promote inclusion and sustainability by extending the opportunity to participate in the digital transformation of humanistic inquiry to a greater number of humanities scholars. ACLS Digital Extension Grants support projects that have advanced beyond the start-up phase of development as they pursue one or more of the following activities:

- Developing new systems of making established digital resources available to broader audiences and/or scholars from diverse institutions
- Extending established projects and resources with content that adds diversity to the digital domain
- Fostering new team-based collaborations between scholars at all career stages. Projects that convene, train, and empower communities of humanities faculty and/or graduate students around established digital research projects, as well as projects that allow scholars from institutions with limited digital infrastructure to exploit digital resources or to participate in existing labs or working groups, are especially welcome
- Creating new forms and sites for scholarly engagement with the digital humanities. Projects that document and recognize participant engagement are strongly encouraged.

Funding

- Awards provide funding of up to \$150,000 for project costs. A portion of grant funds must go towards collaborations with new project partner who could benefit from access to the infrastructure at the project's host site or from substantive participation in the development of the project.
- Grants may be used to cover salary replacement, staffing, equipment, and other costs.
- ACLS grants may **not** support projects whose focus is the production of creative works (e.g., novels or films), textbooks, straightforward translations, or purely pedagogical projects. Institutional indirect costs will not be covered.
- Grants may support projects of **12-18 months** in duration. Projects must be initiated **between July 1 and December 31, 2021**, and be completed no later than **June 30, 2023**.

Eligibility

- Projects must be hosted by an institution of higher education in the United States.
- Project's principal investigator must be a scholar in a field of the humanities and the humanistic social sciences.
- Projects must have advanced beyond the start-up or prototyping phase of development.

Application Guidelines

Applications should be submitted online and must contain the following components:

- Project Narrative
 - Project History and Impact
 - Project Overview
 - Collaboration
 - Long-term Sustainability

- Infrastructure
- Bibliography
- Project Timeline
- Budget and Budget Description
- Intellectual Property Statement
- Project Staffing
- Two Reference Letters
- Institutional Statement

More detailed information on application components can be found here: <https://www.acls.org/Competitions-and-Deadlines/ACLS-Digital-Extension-Grants>