



Cohort 5 - 2024 Innovation Grant Request for Applications changes:

1. Changed from RFP (Request for Proposals) to RFA (Request for Applications)
2. Increased grant amount to \$80K per grant.
3. Moved up application and review dates to award a month to award earlier and to extend the grant period from 17 months to 18 months. LOI due Jan. 9 instead of Jan. 27
4. Greater focus and language to elevate the role of the community throughout the RFA.
5. Postdocs moved from UW student category to UW Lead category in team composition.
6. Removed restriction that past grantees are ineligible to apply. Former grantees are eligible to apply with a different project.
7. Added additional information to collect about team members (role in project, and discipline /area of expertise)
8. Increased the full proposal project narrative to 3-pages.
9. Letters of Support now only collected at the full proposal stage.
10. Combined the criteria and application instructions sections into a single section. The eight (8) criteria are divided between the LOI and FP (only deliverables repeats, but requests more details in FP. Also published points associated with each criteria and added points for the budget/budget narrative & timeline:
 - a. LOI Criteria (25 points max):
 - i. **Research Aims/Project goals AND Intersection of Climate & SJ** (Up to 10 points)
 - ii. **Innovative Project** (Up to 5 points)
 - iii. **Interdisciplinary & community-engaged team:** novel mix of disciplines, community partner co-leadership, and plan to meaningfully involve UW student (Up to 5 points)
 - iv. **Big picture deliverables** (Up to 5 points)
 - b. Full Proposal Criteria (30 points max):
 - i. **Project Plan:** description of the research design and methods and/or grant activities (Up to 10 points)
 - ii. **Roles and responsibilities:** how each member of the team will contribute to the project. (Up to 5 points)
 - iii. **Deliverable(s):** Intended deliverable(s) and how the team will disseminate to the community. (Up to 5 points)
 - iv. **Goals for Sustainability:** Long-term goals for partnership or project. (Up to 5 points)
 - v. **Budget/Budget Narrative and Timeline:** Realistic goals given the resources, capacity of the team, and timeline? Financially support team members and communities attached to this project? (Up to 5 points)