
What is the Diplomacy Research Lab?

The Diplomacy Research Lab at The University of Memphis is a transdisciplinary research group investigating the world's most pressing issues about how diplomacy can improve relations, reduce tensions, and reveal the dynamics of dyadic, regional, and organizational cooperation in the international system.

What are the key thematic areas for the Diplomacy Research Lab?

- ☐ Strategic communication + media
- ☐ Public health + epidemiology
- ☐ Diplomacy policy
- ☐ Human rights/humanitarian issues
- ☐ Culture, perception + education
- ☐ Democracy + institutions
- ☐ Area studies (country or regional focus)

What does the Diplomacy Research Lab do?

- ☐ Coordinates and supports innovative and collaborative research at the UofM on issues of diplomacy, broadly defined
- ☐ Investigates the nature of cooperation to identify, anticipate, and near and long-term issues and crises in local, regional, national, and international spaces; and
- ☐ Collaborates across disciplines and fields on dimensions of diplomacy, such as dialogue, power, and security (broadly defined)

What are the goals of the Diplomacy Research Lab?

- ☐ Secure external funding in emerging areas of concern related to diplomacy
- ☐ Develop sustainable transdisciplinary collaborations at the UofM
- ☐ Provide accessible public-facing information via white papers, colloquia, and other innovative forms of communication about research discoveries from University collaborations
- ☐ Facilitate high-level and pathbreaking research for high-impact publications
- ☐ Host invited guest speakers/lecturers on the theme of diplomacy

Who can join the Diplomacy Research Lab?

Faculty and students whose work investigates aspects of diplomacy, broadly defined

Who can submit a proposal for summer 2024 funding?

Any faculty member at The University of Memphis, from any academic unit or discipline

What is the purpose of the summer funding through the Diplomacy Research Lab?

- ☐ To incentivize collaboration across departments and disciplines at the UofM
- ☐ To support new PIs in submitting externally-funded proposals related to diplomacy
- ☐ To support the production of a working draft of a grant proposal by mid-August
- ☐ To submit a grant proposal for an externally funded project within the next 6-9 months
- ☐ To produce a public-facing White Paper series that describe the work done by faculty at the UofM related to diplomacy by mid-August

What types of activities can the funding support?

Activities that will lead to the production of a working draft of a grant proposal by the end of the summer, including faculty time and student support.

What is the deadline for submitting a proposal?

May 17th by 5pm Central time

Where can I get more information?

A website is underway (www.memphis.edu/diplomacy). If you have questions, please email Leah.Windsor@memphis.edu