



## GREGORIAN UNIVERSITY CONSORTIUM

*Works of the Universal Society of Jesus in Rome*

List of Projects for 2018 and Beyond



**M**ore than tuition is required to support first-rate academic institutions. The Gregorian University Foundation's mission of raising crucial funds enables the Consortium institutions to thrive as they prepare the next generation of leaders for the Church across the world. Because of their tradition and position, your gift directly impacts the future of the Church!

To assist the Foundation in its service of the Consortium institutions, we invite you to consider a donation in support of our annual operations.

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## COMMON PROJECT NEEDS FOR ALL THREE CONSORTIUM INSTITUTIONS

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### Academic Chairs

Endowed Chairs directly impact the operations bottom line.

### Pope Francis Adopt a Scholar Program

An annual donation of \$15,000 covers subsidized tuition and partial support for living expenses for one of our dedicated students.

### Pope Francis Adopt a Scholar Endowment Fund

Annual revenue from the Endowment will allow us to continue to attract brilliant minds and generous spirits from every corner of the world.

### Annual Maintenance

Our facilities form an integral part of the Historical Center of Rome. Annual maintenance is requisite for a responsible and sound future.

### Capital Improvements and Special Projects

Changing demands on teaching and learning translate into the need for planning to modernize our institutions.

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## PONTIFICAL GREGORIAN UNIVERSITY—PUG

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### Christianity in Chinese Society: Impact, Interaction and Inculturation- March 2018

This Conference will focus on the complex interaction between Chinese society and Christianity from the introduction of Christianity to China at the time of Matteo Ricci (about AD 1600) until the present. Participants will include over 40 researchers as well as speakers and respondents from China and other parts of the world.

**Project Estimate: \$30,000**

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### Aula Multimediale

There is an urgent need for a new, multimedia-capable lecture room that will enable the university to respond to global demands with new pedagogical methods for teaching from Rome and to Rome from around the world.

**Project Estimate: \$600,000**

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### Centre for Child Protection (CCP)

There is need for the creation and management of a platform for the implementation of the Centre's e-learning program for partner institutions worldwide.

**Project Estimate: 3 years \$178,495**

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### Grants for Renowned Scholars

Grants would enable us to host visiting professors from top universities to teach at the PIB.

**Project Estimate: \$50,000**

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### Visiting Professor

From the Hebrew University of Jerusalem to teach Hebrew

**Project Estimate: \$15,000**

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### Special Projects Administrative Assistant

A staff assistant is needed to coordinate all scheduling, registrations, paperwork, etc., for multiple special projects.

**Project Estimate: \$30,000**

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### Research Group in the Hebrew Bible and Related Studies

Meeting the need for growing interdisciplinary research in the study of the Hebrew Bible, this project includes three stages and is estimated to take ten years to complete.

Three groups of research assistants for establishing database

**Project Estimate: \$75,000**

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Yearly seminars with specialized colleagues

**Project Estimate: \$15,000**

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Special materials from museums & libraries

**Project Estimate: \$10,000**

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### International Conferences

Workshop on the medieval church of Sonqi Tino in Nubia (North Sudan) - June 2018

*Organized by Prof Vincent Laisney and the Orientalistica faculty.*

**Project Estimate: \$3,500**

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The Bible and Political Thought - September 2018

*Featuring the Stones, Tablets, Scrolls series organized by Prof Dominik Markl SJ*

**Project Estimate: \$7,000**

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The Pharisees - May 2019

*Organized by Prof Joseph Sievers marking the 110th anniversary of the PIB.*

**Project Estimate: \$35,000**

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### Training of Professors of Hellenistic Greek and Classical Hebrew

A major strength of the PIB is training our students in biblical languages so they can access and interpret the original texts of the Bible: a long-range investment critical to the future of the Biblicum.

Hellenistic Greek training at a top university

**Project Estimate: \$250,000**

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Classical Hebrew training at a top university

**Project Estimate: \$250,000**

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### English Language Assistance to non-English-speaking Professors

In recent years, the PIB has welcomed professors from other continents who continue to enrich our academic programs. To aid these non-native speakers in publishing their works, there is a need for professional help to correct their articles and books.

**Project Annual Estimate: \$10,000**

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### Lectio Magistralis

Each semester opens with an inaugural lecture for PIB and PUG students by a renowned biblical scholar to update all on most recent developments and cutting-edge biblical scholarship.

**Project Estimate: \$4,000**

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### Prizes for Best doctoral dissertation (SSD) and the best licentiate thesis (SSL)

These awards both promote excellence in scholarship and help our students start their professional academic career.

**SSD Prize: \$10,000**

**SSL Prize: \$5,000**

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## Scholarships for Archaeological Study Trip to Turkey, Greece and Israel

New Testament studies call for field trips where students can see the world of the Pauline letters and early Christianity and be given on-site formation.

**Project Estimate: 40 students @ \$4,000  
= \$160,000**

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## Pedagogy Seminars

Most of our students will become professors in seminaries and universities. In addition to a solid academic program, we need to offer special seminars in pedagogy which take into consideration the variety of local cultural challenges and the specific needs of local churches.

**Project Estimate: \$1,000**

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## Major Capital Building Projects

### *Roof and Buildings Exterior Project*

This is crucial to protect the structural integrity of the building and especially the content of the library—one of the greatest collections of Biblical scholarship in the world.

**Project Estimate: \$3,500,000**

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### *Annual Upgrades and Maintenance*

Our buildings are old and beautiful and require interior maintenance.

**Project Estimate: \$200,000**

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### *Aula Magna*

The audio and video system of the main lecture hall needs a thorough overhauling and upgrading.

**Project Estimate: \$60,000**

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### *Security*

To ensure its security, the Institute needs to relocate the reception area and install a video surveillance system.

**Project Estimate: \$72,000**

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### *Website*

The PIB website needs to be redesigned to meet the new technological demands and guarantee enhanced stability and functionality.

**Project Estimate: \$36,000**

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### *Library Smoke and Fire Alarms*

This system needs to be upgraded in the Institute Library.

**Project Estimate: \$12,000**

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## PONTIFICAL ORIENTAL INSTITUTE—PIO

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### Oriental Liturgies

The PIO will produce a video mini-series of seven of the major eastern rites of the Catholic and Orthodox churches.

**Project Estimate: \$91,486**

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### Digitization of PIO's Extensive Photographic Collection

Jesuit archaeologists have mixed their work between research in the Middle East and teaching/publishing in Rome. Photography has been essential in this work, resulting in over 30,000 photographs from Turkey, Syria, Iraq and Lebanon dating back to 1911. Digitizing the collection permanently preserves this decades-long work.

**Project Estimate: \$11,485**

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### Residence Reconstruction

Pope Francis personally provided funding (close to \$1 million) for the renovation of a floor of the neighboring Russicum, a new residence for the Jesuit community. In the old residence, there is still a need to refurbish bedrooms: water, bathrooms, heating and air conditioning.

**Project Estimate: \$72,000**

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### Elevator replacement

The important library elevator is now 35 years old. For the safety of our personnel and the integrity of the collection, it needs to be replaced.

**Project Estimate: \$96,000**

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*For more information on a particular project, please contact the GUF Office in Washington, DC. All project estimates are professionally prepared by architects and/or appropriate consultants.*