Funding Opportunities (from the past 7 days)
For previous funding opportunities, see
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LIMITED SUBMISSIONS
If you would like to receive all notices of limited submission opportunities, please email shelly.martin@tamu.edu. Note that if you are on this list, you will receive any and all announcements, whether or not they apply to you. All limited submission opportunities are also posted on the VPR’s site.

American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)
Marion Milligan Mason Awards for Women in the Chemical Sciences (link)

Army – Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC)
2016 Broad Agency Announcement (link)

DOC – National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
FY 2016 Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program (link)

DOE
NE Traineeship for Radiochemistry (link)

NASA
Cooperative Agreement Notice (CAN) 2016 at NASA John C. Stennis Center (link)
HISAKI Guest Investigator Program 2016 (link)

NSF
Expeditions in Computing (link)
Dear Colleague Letter: Mathematical Sciences Funding Opportunities in Sustainable Infrastructure (link)

Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation (OREF)
OREF Soft Tissue Repair and Regeneration Sports Medicine Grant in Honor of Russell F. Warren, MD – In collaboration with the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine (AOSSM) (link)
Upcoming Events
See also http://teesresearch.tamu.edu/events/ for a complete listing and links to handouts/presentations

TEES Research Development

Hot Topic

Register Now
NSF CAREER and Other Young Investigator Programs Workshop
February 18, 2016
7:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. (7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. – Registration and Breakfast)
Rudder Tower, Room 401
Registration required

Other Opportunities

Virtual NSF Day February
February 22-25, 2016
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
For Registration and Information

Date Change
Writing Successful Proposals
March 10, 2016
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Henderson Hall, Room 103
Registration required

NSF CAREER Proposal Writer's Group Inaugural Meeting
March 15, 2016
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Henderson Hall, Room 103
Registration required

NSF Broader Impacts Workshop
March 24, 2016
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Henderson Hall, Room 103
Registration required
Important Notice to Persons Submitting Unsolicited Proposals to the NSF CMMI Division

As the CMMI unsolicited proposal submission window approaches, it is important to note several significant changes in the guidelines for proposal submission. If you intend to submit a proposal to the CMMI Division, please take careful note of the following. All proposals are reviewed for strict adherence to the most recent edition of the NSF Grant Proposal Guide (GPG), and proposals that are not compliant will be returned without review. Important changes have been implemented effective January 25, 2016. Much of the compliance checking is now automated in Fastlane, and many non-compliant proposals will be rejected at the time of submission. Thus, you are strongly encouraged to use the Fastlane system rather than Grants.gov. Automated checking is not available in Grants.gov; however, the same compliance rules apply. The following is a list of important changes to the GPG with the most important items highlighted:

1. Chapter I.F, When to Submit Proposals: The CMMI submission deadline will be 5 PM proposer's local time, Tuesday, February 16, this year only as February 15 is a Federal holiday. Fastlane automatically enforces this deadline and will not permit the submission of a proposal to the CMMI Division beyond this deadline. Proposal submission will be automatically blocked beginning at 5:00:00 PM. You are strongly encouraged to submit early.
2. Chapter I.G.2, How to Submit Proposals: The Authorized Organizational Representative (AOR) must provide the proposal certifications concurrently with submission of the proposal.
3. Chapter II.C.1.e, Collaborators & Other Affiliations Information, is a new single-copy document that requires each senior project personnel to provide information regarding collaborators and other affiliations. This information used to be provided as part of the Biographical Sketch. The new format no longer requires proposers to identify the total number of collaborators and other affiliations when providing this information.
4. Chapter II.C.2.f, Biographical Sketch(es), has been supplemented to inform proposers that they may use third-party solutions to develop their biographical sketch, however, the information they submit must be compliant with NSF proposal preparation requirements. In addition, it is no longer allowable for the biographical sketches of all senior personnel to be grouped together in a single PDF file. Biographical sketches must now be uploaded separately for each individual identified on the proposal as senior personnel. Biographical sketches for Other Personnel and for Equipment proposals (Chapter II.C.2.f(ii) and (iii) respectively), however, should be uploaded as a single PDF file in the Other Supplementary Documents section of the proposal.
5. Chapter II.C.1.d, Proposal Certifications, has been supplemented with a new certification regarding Dual Use Research of Concern.
6. Chapter II.C.2.d(iii), Results from Prior NSF Support, has been revised to reflect that the information must be provided for any PI or co-PI who has received NSF funding with a start date in the past five years (including any current funding and no-cost extensions). Information also has been added on which types of NSF awards must be reported on in this section of the proposal.
7. Chapter II.C.2.g(i)(b), Salaries and Wages, has been updated to parallel the language in 2 CFR §200.413 on administrative and clerical salaries and wages.
8. Chapter II.C.2.g(v), Participant Support, has been supplemented with information on the types of costs that may be proposed and under what scenarios they are allowable.
9. Chapter II.C.2.g(vi)(f), Visa Costs, has been removed now that the Uniform Guidance contains coverage on this topic.
10. Chapter II.C.2.j, Special Information and Supplementary Documentation, now specifies the format that must be used for letters of collaboration.
11. Chapter II.D.5.b, Collaborative Proposals, reminds proposers that should a collaborative proposal from multiple organizations be awarded, both the lead and non-lead organizations are required to submit separate annual and final project reports.
12. Chapter II.D.7, Proposals Involving Vertebrate Animals, contains updated guidance on the information that must be provided in the Project Description for projects that involve use of vertebrate animals and the procedure to follow if IACUC approval has not been obtained prior to submission. For some types of vertebrate animals (e.g., non-human primates), additional review may be required.
13. Chapter II.D.9, Conference Proposals, has been supplemented to include information on the types of costs that may be proposed for conferences and under what scenarios they are allowable.
14. Exhibit II-1, Proposal Preparation Checklist, has been updated to reflect the changes made to the GPG and NSF's electronic systems and streamlined to emphasize the most relevant items. Proposers are strongly encouraged to conduct an administrative review prior to submission, to ensure that proposals comply with the instructions in the GPG and/or the program solicitation, in the format specified.
15. Chapter III.E, Funding Recommendation, coverage on award abstracts and titles has been updated for consistency with NSF notices to the community on transparency and accountability.
16. Chapter III.F, NSF's Risk Management Framework and the Decision to Award or Decline Proposals, has been supplemented with language regarding NSF's implementation of the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System. The risk-based framework cumulative threshold has increased from $200,000 to $225,000 for proposers who have not received NSF funding in the last five years.

In addition, the following are also important:

1. When submitting a list of suggested reviewers, PIs should include the email address and institutional affiliation of persons they believe are well qualified to review the proposal.
2. Only Project Summaries that use special characters may be uploaded in the Supplementary Documents section. Such Project Summaries must contain separate headings for Overview, Intellectual Merit and Broader Impacts or the proposal will be returned without review.
Please refer to the current GPG for full proposal submission guidelines.

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