

Limited Submissions Announcement

A limited submission opportunity is available from the National Institutes of Health and has been posted to the [UTSA Limited Submission Opportunities webpage](#).

[NIH Research Education: Bridges to the Baccalaureate \(R25\) Program Overview](#)

The NIH Research Education Program (R25) supports research educational activities that complement other formal training programs in the mission areas of the NIH Institutes and Centers. The over-arching goals of the NIH R25 program are to: (1) complement and/or enhance the training of a workforce to meet the nation's biomedical, behavioral and clinical research needs; (2) enhance the diversity of the biomedical, behavioral and clinical research workforce; (3) help recruit individuals with specific specialty or disciplinary backgrounds to research careers in biomedical, behavioral and clinical sciences; and (4) foster a better understanding of biomedical, behavioral and clinical research and its implications.

The over-arching goal of this National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) Bridges to Baccalaureate R25 program is to support educational activities that enhance the diversity of the biomedical research workforce. To accomplish the stated over-arching goal, this FOA will support creative educational activities with a primary focus on:

- ***Courses for Skills Development:*** For example, advanced courses in a specific discipline or research area, clinical procedures for research, or specialized research techniques.
- ***Research Experiences:*** For example, for undergraduate students: to provide hands-on exposure to research, to reinforce their intent to graduate with a science degree, and/or to prepare them for graduate school admissions and/or careers in research.
- ***Curriculum or Methods Development:*** For example, to improve biomedical science education, or develop novel instructional approaches or computer-based educational tools; to provide supplemental instruction for gateway courses; to develop "CURE" courses in community college first and second year classrooms.

Eligibility

- The PDs/PIs must have a regular full-time appointment (i.e., not adjunct, part-time, retired, or emeritus) at their respective institutions, and should have student counseling, academic administrative and/or scientific research experience.
- The 2-year institutions in the Bridges to the Baccalaureate Program must offer programs in scientific fields that either lead to an associate degree or facilitate transfer to a baccalaureate degree program in biomedical sciences.
- Institutions offering both associate and baccalaureate degrees may not form partnerships within their own institution for graduates of or transfers from their own associate degree programs to enter their own Baccalaureate Programs, even if a student is moving to another department, school, or college.
- Each proposed Bridges to the Baccalaureate Program must consist of a partnership composed of at least two institutions, including the lead applicant institution. One must

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be an institution that offers the associate degree as the primary degree in the relevant (e.g., biomedical) sciences. Another institution must be a college or university granting the baccalaureate degree in biomedical sciences.

Application Limit

Applicant organizations may NOT submit more than one application as the lead institution. A Lead Institution may also partner on one or more applications submitted by other Lead Institutions.

Award Amount

Application budgets are limited to \$300,000 direct costs per year. The maximum project period is 5 years.

Cost Share Requirement

This FOA does not require cost sharing.

Timeline

<u>Internal Email of Intent Due</u>	Limited Submissions Application Due	Selection Notification	Application Due to Funder
May 21, 2018	June 11, 2018	June 26, 2018	September 25, 2018

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