

Limited Submissions Announcement

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

Advancing Informal STEM Learning (AISL) Overview

The Advancing Informal STEM Learning (AISL) program seeks to advance new approaches to and evidence-based understanding of the design and development of STEM learning opportunities for the public in informal environments; provide multiple pathways for broadening access to and engagement in STEM learning experiences; advance innovative research on and assessment of STEM learning in informal environments; and engage the public of all ages in learning STEM in informal environments.

The AISL program supports six types of projects:

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| (1) Pilots and Feasibility Studies, | (5) Literature Reviews, Syntheses, or |
| (2) Research in Service to Practice, | Meta-Analyses |
| (3) Innovations in Development, | (6) Conferences |
| (4) Broad Implementation, | |

The AISL program's priorities are: (1) Maximizing Strategic Impact, (2) Enhancing Knowledge-Building, (3) Promoting Innovation, (4) Advancing Collaboration, (5) Strengthening Infrastructure and Building Capacity, and (6) Broadening Participation. Through these priorities, described in more detail throughout the solicitation, the program contributes to STEM engagement and literacy, workforce development, and educational success. It may also narrow the gap between the advancements in scientific discovery and the public's understanding of science.

Eligibility

There are no restrictions on who may serve as a PI; however, an individual may be included as a Principal Investigator (PI) /Co-PI on no more than three (3) proposals.

Application Limit

An institution or organization may serve as lead on **no more than three (3) proposals**. However, an institution or organization may partner as a subaward on other proposals submitted.

Award Amount

Limits for funding requests of AISL proposals are as follows:

Project Type	Award Amount	Duration
Pilots and Feasibility	\$300,000	2 years
Research in Service to Practice	\$300,000 to \$2,000,000	2-5 years
Innovations in Development	\$500,000 to \$3,000,000	2-5 years
Broad Implementation	\$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000	3-5 years
Literature Reviews, Syntheses, or Meta-analyses	\$250,000	2 years
Conferences	\$250,000	2 years

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Cost Share Requirement

Inclusion of voluntary committed cost sharing is prohibited.

Timeline

Internal Email of Intent Due (Optional)	Limited Submissions Application Due	Selection Notification	Application Due to Funder
July 12, 2018	July 19, 2018	August 3, 2018	November 7, 2018

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