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](#).

**National Science Foundation Research Traineeship (NRT) Program Overview**

The NSF Research Traineeship (NRT) program is designed to encourage the development and implementation of bold, new, and potentially transformative models for STEM graduate education training. The NRT program seeks proposals that explore ways for graduate students in research-based master’s and doctoral degree programs to develop the skills, knowledge, and competencies needed to pursue a range of STEM careers.

The program is dedicated to effective training of STEM graduate students in high priority interdisciplinary research areas, through the use of a comprehensive traineeship model that is innovative, evidence-based, and aligned with changing workforce and research needs.

For FY2019 and FY2020, the NRT Program requests proposals in any interdisciplinary research theme of national priority, with special emphasis on the six [NSF Research Big Ideas](#).

- Harnessing the Data Revolution (HDR)
- The Future of Work at the Human-Technology Frontier (HTF)
- Navigating the New Arctic (NNA)
- Windows on the Universe: The Era of Multi-Messenger Astrophysics (WOU)
- The Quantum Leap: Leading the Next Quantum Revolution (QL)
- Understanding the Rules of Life: Predicting Phenotype (ROL)

Proposals that align with one of the NSF Research Big Ideas should contain a title to reflect that alignment, as described in the program solicitation (e.g. NRT-HDR: title or NRT-QL: title).

Note: a new solicitation will be posted to replace NSF 18-507 and will be available via this [website](#) with the updated priority area information.

**Q & A Sessions**

To respond to solicitation-specific questions, the NRT Program will host open-forum Q&A sessions with NRT program directors. The first session will be on November 15, 2018, 1:30 – 2:30 pm EST; additional sessions will be added prior to the full submission deadline. Dates and instructions for joining the Q&A sessions can be accessed [here](#).

**Eligibility**

- As a University accredited in, and having a campus located in the US that awards a research-based master’s degree and/or a doctoral degree in a STEM discipline supported by the National Science Foundation, UTSA is eligible to submit to this program.

- The PI must be on the faculty of the submitting institution.
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- An individual may serve as Lead Principal Investigator (PI) or Co-PI on only one proposal submitted to the NRT program per annual competition.

**Application Limit**

UTSA may participate in two (2) proposals per competition. Participation includes serving as a lead organization, non-lead organization, or subawardee on any proposal. Organizations participating solely as evaluators on projects are excluded from this limitation.

**Award Amount**

NRT Awards are expected to be up to five (5) years in duration with a total budget up to $3,000,000.

**Cost Share Requirement**

Inclusion of voluntary committed cost sharing is prohibited.

**Internal Evaluation Criteria**

The attached review matrix will be utilized for internal review/scoring. Pre-proposals should be responsive to these criteria. Limited submission applications must contain a title to reflect which of the six NSF Big Research Ideas your proposal is aligned to (e.g. NRT-HDR: title or NRT-QL: title).

**Timeline**

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**Limited Submission Application Instructions**

**Limited Submission Application**

Questions? Please reference the [UTSA Limited Submission website](#) or contact LimitedSubmissions@utsa.edu