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Purdue's open limited submission competitions, templates, and limited submission policy may be found at <http://www.purdue.edu/research/funding-and-grant-writing/limited-submissions.php>. Please contact Sue Grimes (sgrimes@purdue.edu) with any questions.

The Purdue Office of the Executive Vice President for Research and Sponsored Program Services (SPS) have launched a [website](#) to provide the most up-to-date information to help ensure compliance by researchers who may have grants impacted by executive orders during this period of transition at the U.S. government and among U.S. federal agencies.

Researchers should continue working on their grants and contracts unless you receive instructions from your grant program officer, agency contact or Purdue SPS. Any researcher who has received or receives information from your grant program officer or agency should reach out to SPS at spsopers@groups.purdue.edu to be directed to the appropriate person to help determine actions and next steps. Likewise, if SPS receives communication from an agency, they will notify directly relevant principal investigators if action needs to be taken.

The website has the current status for each agency and will be updated as new information is available.

1. **Limited Submissions:**

Preproposals should be submitted via Purdue's InfoReady portal (<https://purdue.infoready4.com/>). For any case in which the number of preproposals received is no more than the number of proposals allowed by the sponsor, the OOR will notify the PI(s) that an internal competition will be unnecessary. Questions should be addressed to OORlimited@purdue.edu.

Limited Submission: [Breast Cancer Alliance Exceptional Projects Grants](#) Breast Cancer Alliance invites clinical doctors and research scientists at any stage of their careers whose current proposal is focused on breast cancer, to apply for an Exceptional Project Grant. This award recognizes creative, unique and innovative research related to breast cancer. Only **two** submissions are allowed per institution for either the Young Investigators and/or the Exceptional Projects programs.

Internal deadline: Preproposal due in InfoReady by March 3

Sponsor deadline: March 31 – LOI; July 19 – Full application by invite

Limited Submission: [Breast Cancer Alliance Young Investigator Grants](#) This grant is meant for those at an early stage in their research career to help provide seed funding for the research required to apply for larger, longer term grants, often with the NIH. This grant is intended to help advance the careers of young researchers who do not yet have their own major grant support, but who design and conduct their own independent research projects. Eligible applicants must not have held a tenure track faculty or research position for more than four years as of March 1, 2026. They must not have been a PI on an NIH R01 or equivalent award as of March 1, 2026 and must be able to dedicate at least 50% of their work effort to research. Only **two** submissions are allowed per institution for either the Young Investigators and/or the Exceptional Projects programs.

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Internal Coordination Required: [NSF Request for Information on the Development of an Artificial Intelligence \(AI\) Action Plan](#) This Plan, as directed by a Presidential Executive Order on January 23, 2025, will define the priority policy actions needed to sustain and enhance America's AI dominance, and to ensure that unnecessarily burdensome requirements do not hamper private sector AI innovation. Through this Request for Information (RFI), OSTP and NITRD NCO seek input from the public, including from academia, industry groups, private sector organizations, state, local, and tribal governments, and any other interested parties, on priority actions that should be included in the Plan. **A coordinated response is being planned from Purdue.**

Internal deadline: Contact Jennifer Wonder (jwonder@purdue.edu) if interested in participating

Sponsor deadline: March 15

Internal Coordination Required: [DOC-NIST FY2024 CHIPS for America](#) The purpose of the CHIPS Research and Development (R&D) programs is to advance the development of semiconductor technologies and to enhance the competitiveness of the U.S. semiconductor industry. The CHIPS R&D programs address five cross-cutting issues that were identified through interactions with stakeholders and include: Access to facilities and equipment for late-stage R&D and prototyping; Advanced packaging and testing; Advanced metrology and characterization; Advanced manufacturing technology; and Workforce development. NIST will release a series of NOFOs under this program and it is anticipated that most, if not all, will be limited submission, including those where Purdue is a sub-awardee. **Based on the complexity of this program, all submissions involving Purdue as a participant will be coordinated through OOR at all stages (white paper and full submissions) including those participating as a sub-awardee.**

Internal deadline: Contact OORLimited@purdue.edu if interested in participating in any of these NIST opportunities

Sponsor deadline: On-going

2. **Selected Funding Opportunities:**

[Purdue Office of Research: Department of Defense Research Collaboration Travel Grants](#) The Purdue Office of Research is announcing the availability of travel grants of \$1,500 each to support Purdue faculty to build collaborations that will increase their competitiveness for new Department of Defense research funding. Applications are due April 15, 2025 (*updated deadline*).

[Purdue Office of Research: SPARK Program \(Supporting Partnering for Advanced Research teamwork\)](#) The SPARK Program empowers Purdue-led research to achieve national prominence by providing faculty teams with the necessary internal resources to support critical research development activities. These internal resources will include support for project strategy, teaming, and proposal development. The goal is to enable the Purdue teams to be highly competitive in large center competitions. Applications for up to \$100,000 are due March 14, 2025.

[Purdue Office of Research: Multiple NIH R01 Award Program \(R01²\)](#) The goal of this program is to increase the number of Purdue faculty holding multiple simultaneous R01 grants. Therefore, the Office of Research has launched the Multiple NIH R01 Award Program (R01²) to provide pilot support to current NIH R01 PI/MPI who want to submit a second or third R01 grant as PI/MPI. Applications for up to \$60,000 are accepted on a rolling basis.

[NSF Human Networks and Data Science \(HNDS\)](#) The Human Networks and Data Science program (HNDS) supports research that enhances understanding of human behavior by leveraging data and network science research across a broad range of topics. HNDS research will identify ways in which dynamic, distributed, or heterogeneous data can provide novel answers to fundamental questions about individual or group behavior. HNDS is especially interested in proposals that provide data-rich insights about human networks to support improved health, prosperity, and security. HNDS has two tracks: (1) Human Networks and Data Science –

Infrastructure (HNDS-I) and (2) Human Networks and Data Science – Core Research (HNDS-R). Deadline: August 7 – HNDS-I; July 10 – HNDS-R by permission only.

NSF Linguistics Supports research on human language — encompassing investigations of the properties of individual human languages and natural language in general — and the intersections of linguistics with cognition, society and other areas of science. Deadline: July 15

NSF Social Psychology Supports theoretically focused empirical investigations that advance fundamental social psychological explanations of human behavior, attitudes and experience. Deadline: July 15

NSF Developmental Sciences (DS) Supports research on the cognitive, linguistic, social, cultural and biological processes involved in human development across the life span — illuminating the developmental processes that support individuals in living productive lives as members of society. Deadline: July 30

DOD-DARPA Strategic Technology Office-wide Broad Agency Announcement DARPA's STO is seeking innovative ideas and disruptive technologies that provide the U.S. military and national security leaders with trusted, disruptive capabilities across all physical domains (Air, Space, Sea, and Land) and spectrum of competition. STO programs deliver solutions at speed and scale for today's warfighters while developing the resilient "breakthrough" systems and technologies needed for future battlespaces. STO does not focus on one area of responsibility or phenomenology. Rather, STO programs capture the strategic, logistical, and tactical complexity of today's national security environments. Deadline: On-going through October 31

DOD-DARPA Microsystems Exploration MTO seeks to develop high-risk, high-reward technologies that enable revolutionary advances in materials, devices, and microsystems and continue DARPA's mission of creating and preventing strategic surprise. In order to capitalize rapidly on new opportunities, DARPA announces the Microsystems Exploration program which calls for faster responses with smaller, targeted investments. Deadline: October 15

Spencer Foundation Small Research Grants on Education Program The Small Research Grants on Education Program supports education research projects that will contribute to the improvement of education, broadly conceived, with budgets up to \$50,000 for projects ranging from one to five years. This program is "field-initiated" in that proposal submissions are not in response to a specific request for a particular research topic, discipline, design, or method. Our goal for this program is to support rigorous, intellectually ambitious and technically sound research that is relevant to the most pressing questions and compelling opportunities in education. We seek to support scholarship that develops new foundational knowledge that may have a lasting impact on educational discourse. Deadline: mid-April

Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Aligning Science Across Parkinson's (ASAP) ASAP will support higher-risk, large-scale, ambitious projects across two tracks. **Scientific Track:** Focus on supporting high-priority projects to dissect the mechanisms that contribute to PD heterogeneity. **Technical Track:** Focus on the development of novel, sustainable tools to accelerate validation and therapeutic R&D for emerging targets identified from ASAP discoveries. Funded teams will join the **ASAP Collaborative Research Network**, an international, multidisciplinary, and multi-institutional network of collaborating investigators who are working to address high-priority research questions to accelerate the pace of discovery for PD and drive new ideas into the R&D pipeline. Deadlines for Scientific Track: March 20 – LOI; August 7 – Full proposal by invite; Technical Track – TBD.

3. **Other:**

The **Innovation Hub** and the Office of Research invite applications for a mentored proposal-writing experience targeting the **NSF IUSE program** (National Science Foundation – Improving Undergraduate STEM Education). Participants in this cohort-based writing program will receive direct mentorship from Dr. Edward Berger, Associate Vice Provost for Learning Innovation and Director of the Innovation Hub, who is a former NSF program

officer, as well as staff from the proposal strategy and development team in the Office of Research. All faculty and staff on the West Lafayette and Indianapolis campuses who are eligible to serve as PI on a federal award can apply to this program. [Download a proposal template](#) and learn more about the request for proposals. The submission deadline is 5 p.m. EST Wednesday, March 5.