

Dear NSF funded investigators, applicants, and department administrators:

The National Science Foundation recently issued a revised Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG). The new version of the PAPPG will be effective as of October 4, 2021. [Please review this revised PAPPG on the NSF website.](#)

Significant changes include:

- A table entitled [NSF Pre-award and Post-award Disclosures Relating to the Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending Support](#). This table identifies where pre- and post-award current and pending support disclosure information must be provided. Proposers and awardees may begin using this table immediately;
- Updates to the current and pending support section of NSF proposals to require that information on objectives and overlap with other projects is provided to help NSF and reviewers assess overlap/duplication;
- Increasing the page limit for the biographical sketch from two to three pages;
- A new section covering requests for reasonable and accessibility accommodations regarding the proposal process or requests for accessibility accommodations to access NSF's electronic systems, websites, and other digital content;
- Adding planning proposals and Career-Life Balance supplemental funding requests as new proposal types;
- Updates to travel proposals will require that AORs certify that prior to the proposer's participation in the meeting for which NSF travel support is being requested, the proposer will assure that the meeting organizer has a written policy or code-of-conduct addressing harassment.

Please review this resource carefully, paying particular attention to the table "[NSF Pre-Award and Post-Award Disclosures Relating to the Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending Support](#)." This table provides important clarification on what Investigators will need to disclose and where to disclose it in the application.

If you have any questions about what needs to be disclosed in Current and Pending or the Biosketch, or any of the other proposed revisions, the [Office of Sponsored Programs](#) and your assigned [Projects Officer](#) will be here to assist you.

[Cormac Slevin](#), Manager of Global Research Engagement, will also be proactively reaching out to the departments to assess if any additional training or education outreach will be required for the disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

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