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### REU

For those planning to add an REU Supplement to your proposal, please reference the REU Solicitation [NSF 23-601: Research Experiences for Undergraduates | NSF - National Science Foundation](#) and look specifically at those directions associated with **REU Supplements as part of a proposal for a new grant.**

Here are some highlights:

- It should be embedded in the proposal
- Include a description of the REU activity as a document (3 page limit) in the Other Supplementary Documents section of your submission.
- The description should include 1) the nature of the undergraduate student's involvement in the research project; 2) the experience of the PI or other research mentor in involving undergraduate students; 3) the nature of the mentoring the student(s) will receive; and 4) the process and criteria for selecting the student
- "Include the budget for the REU activity in the yearly project budget. Enter all student costs under Participant Support."
- As a part of your project Budget Justification, provide a "separate explanation of the proposed REU Supplement request with proposed student costs itemized and justified and a total given for the items plus associated indirect costs".
- The expectation is that the cost per student for a summer REU will not exceed \$1550/week with approx \$700/week of that for direct stipend to the student ("the budget for an academic year REU should be comparable on a pro rata basis"). Other costs could include housing, meals, travel, lab use fees, etc.
- Payment to students should be as stipends only (not employees).
- Normally, the expectation is that the REU Supplement request will be for no more than 2 students.
- Student(s) must be a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or U.S. permanent resident.
- Adding the REU into your Narrative does NOT allow you to increase your total page count.

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## Educate AI

### How do I identify that my CSforAll proposal is also responsive to the EducateAI Dear Colleague Letter?

Per the NSF's recent CSforAll webinar (recording link will be added as soon as it is made available by the NSF), if your CSforAll proposal is responsive to the Educate AI Dear Colleague Letter, please add "EducateAI:" to the beginning of the title of your project.

### If submitting a CSforAll proposal (NSF 24-555) that is also responsive to the EducateAI Dear Colleague Letter (NSF 24-025), under which number do we submit and where do we indicate if it is the DCL or the CSforAll?

The DCL is fairly direct about the fact that it is NOT intended to create a new program/solicitation:

*"This DCL does not constitute a new competition or a new program. Rather, interested proposers should consult the program pages for [Computer Science for All: Research Practice Partnership \(CSforAll:RPP\)](#) and [Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Computing in Undergraduate Education \(IUSE: CUE\)](#) as those programs are revised."*

That being said, if your CSforAll project is also responsive to the EducateAI DCL, you should well consider the three paragraphs in the DCL that follow:

*"Proposals in alignment with EducateAI should [...]."*

They have laid out fairly clearly the approaches, additional information, supports, and focuses you need to have added to your proposal to make it competitive if it includes AI and the intentions of EducateAI. They give you two live links to institutes and initiatives that it behooves you to visit and review if your proposal includes AI.

Here is a link to the full Dear Colleague Letter

[Advancing education for the future AI workforce \(EducateAI\) | NSF - National Science Foundation](#)

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## SciENCv and Senior Personnel Documents

The RFP requires each PI, Co-PI, and Senior Personnel to complete an individual Biosketch and Current and Pending (C&P) form in SciENCv. The NSF has updated these documents, and the new forms will take effect on May 20, 2024.

Follow the link below to a recording of the NSF's recent webinar explaining how to access SciENCv and what is required for these forms. Links are also included for the slideshow files and downloads of the new common forms.

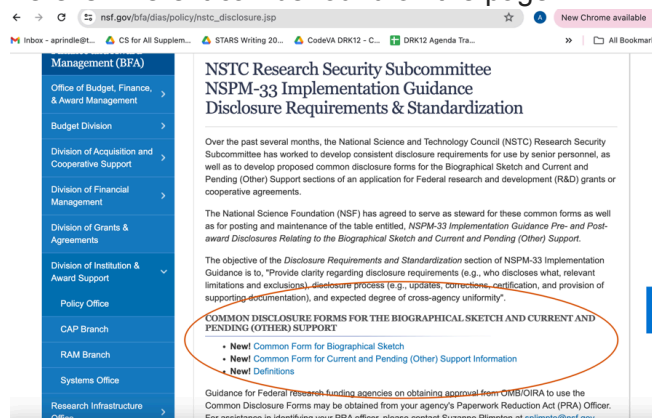
[NSF Webinar Video Recording: Implementing the Common Forms for the Biographical Sketch and the Current and Pending \(other\) Support](#)

**\*\* Note: the SciENCv, biosketch and current and pending forms tutorial starts at 29:18 in the webinar and goes to 46:13**

Here is a link to the slideshow presentation for this same recorded webinar:  
[NSF Webinar Slides Implementing the Common Forms for the Biographical Sketch and the Current and Pending \(other\) Support](#)

Here's the link to a page with new common forms for the biosketch, current and pending support, and common definitions: [https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/nstc\\_disclosure.jsp](https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/nstc_disclosure.jsp)

Here is where it can be found on the page:



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### **Eligibility to submit**

**In Eligibility, Who May Submit Proposals (pg 3) of the solicitation**  
the language is

***"Proposals may only be submitted by the following:"***

and then it lists **IHEs; non-profit non-academic orgs; and Tribal Nations**

For-profit organizations and local/state government entities (including schools and school districts) may NOT be submitting organizations (including on a collaborative proposal). They can and should (where appropriate based on the project) be sub-recipients.