

## UCSF May Submit 1 Application

**Internal Deadline: 11:59 PM, Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

### **PLEASE FORWARD THIS ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL APPROPRIATE FACULTY AND RESEARCH ADMINISTRATORS**

**WHAT:** NSF Innovation Corps- National Innovation Network Sites Program (I-Corps Sites)

<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2016/nsf16547/nsf16547.htm>

**REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS NUMBER:** NSF 16-547

#### **PURPOSE:**

- The NSF Innovation Corps Sites Program (NSF I-Corps Sites) enables academic institutions to:
  - Nurture students and/or faculty who are engaged in projects having the potential to be transitioned into the marketplace. I-Corps Sites will provide infrastructure, advice, resources, networking opportunities, training and modest funding to enable groups to transition their work into the marketplace or into becoming I-Corps Team applicants.
  - Develop formal, active, local innovation ecosystems that contribute to a larger, national network of mentors, researchers, entrepreneurs and
- The purpose of an I-Corps Site is to nurture and support multiple, local teams to transition their ideas, devices, processes or other intellectual activities into the marketplace.

#### **ELIGIBILITY:**

- Teams formed under the auspices of an I-Corps Site should include an Entrepreneurial Lead (EL), an Academic Lead (AL), and a Mentor.
  - The **Entrepreneurial Lead** could be a postdoctoral scholar, graduate student, undergraduate or other student, or professional staff, with relevant knowledge of the technology and a deep commitment to investigate the commercial landscape surrounding the innovation. In rare circumstances, with approval of a cognizant NSF I-Corps Program Officer, it also could be a faculty member. The EL should also be capable and have the will to support the transition of the technology, should the project demonstrate the potential for commercial viability.
  - The **Mentor** will typically be an experienced or emerging entrepreneur with proximity to the institution and experience in transitioning technology out of academic labs. The Mentor is a third-party resource and may be recommended by the proposing institution or may be an employee of the institution. The Mentor will be responsible for guiding the team forward and tracking progress.
  - The **Academic Lead** will be responsible for overall project management. The AL must have an academic appointment that would normally qualify the AL to submit proposals or play the role of a PI in subsequent submissions to NSF.

#### **BUDGET AND PROJECT PERIOD:**

- Award Amount: up to \$100,000
  - UCSF indirect cost policy will apply except for non-federal entities.
- Project Period: up to 5 years

**NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS UCSF MAY SUBMIT: 1**

**DUE DATES:**

- **Internal: 11:59 PM**, Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018. If multiple groups submit an LOI, an additional pre-application will be due Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- **Please note PIs may submit directly to the LSP; RMS does not get involved unless and until you are nominated**
- Sponsor: Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Submit the attached Letter of Intent (LOI) by 11:59 PM, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018, to:**  
[limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu](mailto:limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu)

*The LSP is a selection process, not an award process. As the LSP is under significant time constraints, all reviewer feedback is optional. We encourage you to seek other avenues for proposal feedback.*

*For information on all current LSOs, please visit: <http://rdo.ucsf.edu/limited-submission-program-lsp>*

*Sent by Lisa Howard on behalf of the Research Development Office (RDO), Limited Submission Program (LSP)*