UCSF May Submit 2 Applications – 1 for each RFA

Internal Deadline: 11:59 PM, Tuesday, January 5th, 2021

PLEASE FORWARD THIS ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL APPROPRIATE FACULTY AND RESEARCH ADMINISTRATORS

WHAT: NIH Common Fund Faculty Institutional Recruitment for Sustainable Transformation (FIRST)
- RFA-RM-20-022 - FIRST Cohort
- RFA-RM-20-023 - FIRST Coordination and Evaluation Center

PURPOSE:
- To transform culture at NIH-funded extramural institutions by building a self-reinforcing community of scientists committed to diversity and inclusive excellence.
  - Implementing and sustaining cultures of inclusive excellence within the program has the potential to be transformational for biomedical research at the awardee institutions and beyond.
  - This community will be built through recruitment of a diverse group of early-career faculty who are competitive for an advertised research tenure-track or equivalent faculty position and who have demonstrated strong commitment to promoting diversity and inclusive excellence.
- The FIRST Coordination and Evaluation Center will coordinate and facilitate the development of strategies with FIRST Cohort awardees to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the FIRST program.

ELIGIBILITY:
- Any individual(s) with the skills, knowledge, and resources necessary to carry out the proposed research as the Program Director(s)/Principal Investigator(s) (PD(s)/PI(s)) is invited to work with his/her organization to develop an application for support. Individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups as well as individuals with disabilities are always encouraged to apply for NIH support.

BUDGET AND PROJECT PERIOD:
- Award Budget:
  - FIRST Cohort: Limited to $300,000 direct costs in year one; $3,275,000 direct costs per year in years 2-4; and $120,000 direct costs in year 5.
  - FIRST Coordination and Evaluation Center: Limited to $840K in direct costs in the first year and $1.5M in direct costs per year in years 2-5.
  - Application budgets must reflect the actual needs of the proposed project.
  - UCSF indirect cost policy will apply except for non-federal entities.
- Project Period: Up to 5 years.

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APPLICATION TYPES ALLOWED: New
DUE DATES:
- Internal: **11:59 PM**, Tuesday, January 5\(^{\text{th}}\), 2021
- PIs submit directly to the LSP; RMS does not get involved unless and until you are nominated.
- Sponsor: Monday, March 1\(^{\text{st}}\), 2021

Submit the attached Letter of Intent (LOI) by **11:59 PM**, January 5\(^{\text{th}}\), 2021 to: limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu

To qualify for UCSF Limited Submission Program opportunities, applicants must have a paid UCSF appointment either at the time of application or anticipated by the time of award.

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](http://rdo.ucsf.edu/limited-submission-program-lsp)

Sent by Avity Norman on behalf of the Limited Submission Program (LSP) within the Research Development Office (RDO).