

UCSF May Submit 1 Application

Internal Deadline: 11:59 PM, August 21, 2023

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WHAT: NIH Blueprint and BRAIN Initiative Program for Enhancing Neuroscience Diversity through Undergraduate Research Education Experiences (BP BRAIN-ENDURE) (R25 Clinical Trial Not Allowed) (<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-NS-24-014.html>)

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS NUMBER: RFA-NS-24-014

PURPOSE:

The NIH Research Education Program (R25) supports research education activities in the mission areas of the NIH. The overarching goal of this R25 program is to support educational activities that encourage individuals from diverse backgrounds, including those from groups underrepresented in the biomedical and behavioral sciences, to pursue further studies or careers in research. Support will be provided to educational activities with a primary focus on:

- ***Courses for Skills Development***
- ***Research Experiences***
- ***Mentoring Activities***

The fully integrated educational activities should prepare undergraduate students from diverse backgrounds, including those from groups underrepresented in biomedical and behavioral sciences, to enter Ph.D. degree programs in the neurosciences. To accomplish this goal, this initiative will provide institutional awards to develop neuroscience research education programs comprised of collaborative partnerships integrated across different educational institution types.

ELIGIBILITY:

- The contact PD/PI is expected to have a full-time appointment at the applicant institution unless extremely well-justified.
- **Proposed Research Education Program.** While the proposed research education program may complement ongoing research training and education occurring at the applicant institution, the proposed educational experiences must be distinct from those research training and research education programs currently receiving federal support. When research training programs are on-going in the same department, the applicant organization should clearly distinguish between the activities in the proposed research education program and the research training supported by the training program.
- **Letters of Support**
 - A letter of institutional commitment must be attached as part of Letters of Support
 - Letters of collaboration from partner sites must be provided by authorized officials from the partner institutions addressing their institutional commitment to the proposed project and BP BRAIN ENDURE program goals. As applicable, key faculty or senior investigators at partner organizations who will have substantial involvement in curriculum development, teaching, research training and mentoring, or other activities should submit letters.
- 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.

- **Restrictions:** the proposed educational experiences must be distinct from those training and education programs currently receiving Federal support. R25 programs may augment institutional research training programs (e.g., T32, T90) but cannot be used to replace or circumvent Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) programs.

BUDGET AND PROJECT PERIOD:

- Award Budget:
 - Although the size of award may vary with the scope of the research education program proposed. The average cost per program is estimated between \$300K - \$400K.
- Project Period: may not exceed 5 years.

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS UCSF MAY SUBMIT: 1

DUE DATES:

- **Internal: 11:59 PM**, Monday, August 21, 2023. If multiple groups submit an LOI, an additional pre-application will be due Thursday, September 07, 2023.
- **Pls submit directly to the LSP; RMS does not get involved unless and until you are nominated.**
- Sponsor: February 15, 2024

Submit the following in ONE PDF file by 11:59 PM, August 21st, to: limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu

1. Limited Submission Pre-proposal Cover Sheet with signatures (form attached to email)
2. Project Summary (1-pg. max, excluding references)
3. NIH Bio-sketch (5-pg. max., including publications)

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>

Sent by Connie D'Aura on behalf of the Limited Submission Program (LSP) within the Research Development Office (RDO).