

Call for Proposals: 2019 GANAS Mini-Grant Program

NSF HSI STEM Hub initiative is pleased to announce a call for proposals for the 2019 GANAS Mini-Grant Program to strategically support project leaders who need time to develop a research project, build partnerships, identify and work with an evaluator, prepare an IRB, and write the proposal for the NSF HSI Program. The initiative serves to support Hispanic Serving Institutions' efforts to enhance the quality of undergraduate STEM education at HSIs and to increase the retention and graduation rates of students pursuing associate or baccalaureate degrees in STEM. In addition, the GANAS Mini-Grant Program seeks to build capacity at HSIs that typically do not receive high levels of NSF grant funding.

GANAS planning grants are awarded to prepare proposals to the NSF HSI Initiative for one of two tracks (up to \$12,500):

- For Track 1 (Building Capacity) is open to all eligible institutions. This track has three priority areas: Critical Transitions; Innovative Cross- Sector Partnerships; and Teaching and Learning in STEM.
- For Track 2 (HSIs New to NSF), is open only to eligible institutions that have never received NSF funding, or that have not received NSF funding in the five years preceding the proposal deadline.

Grants will be distributed by March 30, 2020 for project planning and development for submission to NSF 19-540 (<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2019/nsf19540/nsf19540.htm#toc>) for Fall 2020 call for proposals.

Number of Anticipated Awards: 8

To learn more about the Mini-Grant Program and application process, [review the planning document](#).

To apply for a mini-grant, submit a proposal by 5:00 pm local time on Friday, January 10, 2020 at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YHW7Z3F>

Awardees must participate in a grant writing workshop and community of practice grant writing. Grants will be awarded for six months and are not renewable. Institutions that receive an award in 2020 are not eligible in subsequent years.

2019 NSF HSI STEM Hub Mini-Grant Program Timeline

- November 20, 2019 - Call for proposals opens
- TBD - Mini-grant informational webinar held
- January 24, 2020 (5:00 p.m. Local Time) - Deadline for all proposals
- March 30, 2020 - Grantees notified
- TBD - Final NSF HSI Program preparation work

Eligibility Criteria

The GANAS Mini-Grant Program is open to Certified Hispanic Serving Institution only. To be eligible for a mini-grant, all proposed projects require:

- Proof of HSI Certified Institutions (<https://nsf.gov/ehp/HSIProgramPlan.jsp>).
- Application submission by STEM faculty/staff employed fulltime at Hispanic Serving Institutions.

The GANAS Mini-Grant Program is open to Certified Hispanic Serving Institution only. Award priority is for projects that :

- Include New/Junior investigators within the first 10 years of their academic appointments
- Propose new (not revised) applications for the HSI Initiative
- Are submitted from Institutions that have not received NSF funding in the five years preceding the proposal deadline.

In addition, we will be looking for the following in mini-grant proposals (preferred but not required):

- Partnerships are strongly encouraged. Potential collaborators can be found via the Hub Member Network.

Please Note:

- Faculty and staff at CSUN, DACC, and NMSU are not eligible to apply.

Project Requirements

- Competitive awards are made with the expectation that awardees will submit an application to the 2020 HSI Initiative PAR by the deadline of the 3rd week in September.
- Awardees are expected to participate in two in person grant writing workshops and peer writing group between April and August 2019

If you have any questions about the program or the application, please reach out to us at hsistemhub@nmsu.edu.