

Greetings from the Sandia University Partnerships Network Office!

Each year, Sandia collects internal proposals to fund research projects managed by their Laboratory Directed Research & Development (LDRD) Office. These projects are transformational, high-risk, and create a lasting impact. Many of these projects achieve great results through the partnerships between Sandia researchers and universities, who provide their unique expertise and capabilities and further develop talent pipelines and additional opportunities.

To streamline potential university collaborations, Sandia is sharing identified needs and collecting research summaries from you, who are experts in many fields, to distribute to our laboratory researchers. To that end, we would like to identify faculty who:

- conduct research in our identified collaborative areas.
- are interested in partnering with Sandia.
- have the bandwidth to support a research collaboration.
- would like to engage their students in national security research.

Sandia staff will submit their ideas (intent to submit) from December 12, 2022 – February 13, 2023. After the idea review and selection process, invited proposals will be submitted from March 29, 2023 – May 4, 2023. If a Sandia researcher is interested in forming a research collaboration with you based on the input you've provided, they will contact you directly before May 4, 2023.

Sandia will also host an information session this Spring regarding LDRD projects and university collaborations for both Sandia staff and university faculty. By providing your information using this Eventbrite link, you will receive an invitation to participate.

The attached document highlights our LDRD research needs at the laboratory. Please review to see if your research aligns with our specific needs. If you are interested in partnering with our laboratory, fill in your information through this Eventbrite registration form. The research needs are grouped by Investment Area (e.g., AS&T, BIO, etc.) in the attachment and also utilized on the registration form. After you submit your "registration" information through Eventbrite, please send an email summarizing your research in a paragraph or less to AcademicPrograms@sandia.gov. **All input (your registration plus a research summary email) should be submitted by January 20, 2023.**

Even if you submitted your research interests last year, you still need to register via the Eventbrite form to indicate your continued interest. We can include your information from last

year, but if you have an update, please submit new information on your research as appropriate.

Note: This is not a proposal call or a guarantee that you will be contacted to explore collaborations. However, by sharing this information, you are providing visibility to potential Sandia collaborators about your expertise and interest in new research partnerships. Since this information is shared broadly with our Sandia researchers, there may be opportunities identified for collaboration even outside of the LDRD program.