National Science Foundation to Launch Submission Site

BOCA RATON, FL (April 25, 2018) – Beginning on April 30, 2018, proposers will be able to prepare and submit full, research non-collaborative proposals in the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Research.gov system. The initial release of this new Research.gov capability will run in parallel with existing FastLane proposal preparation and submission capabilities. As a result, proposers can choose to prepare and submit full, research non-collaborative proposals in Research.gov or in FastLane starting on April 30, 2018. Other proposal types will be added to Research.gov in the future. Please note, proposals initiated in the new system will not be available in FastLane and proposals prepared in FastLane will not be available in the new system. This new system is being developed incrementally and as capabilities are migrated from FastLane to Research.gov, the system features will expand until it eventually replaces FastLane for proposal preparation and submission. There will be no impact to Grants.gov and Application Submission Web Services (ASWS), and NSF will continue to fully support these proposal submission methods.

The Research.gov proposal site modernizes proposal preparation and submission capabilities and focuses on enhancing the user experience and reducing administrative burden with an intuitive interface and real-time compliance checking. The new functionality provides the ability to create, submit, track, and update proposals associated with active NSF funding opportunities and furthers NSF's goal to provide quick access to proposal information and grants management services in one location.

Research.gov Proposal Preparation Site Preview
On February 26, 2018, NSF began previewing the new Research.gov proposal preparation site to the research community to collect preliminary feedback and to provide the community an opportunity to become familiar with the new interface before the official site launch on April 30, 2018. The preview will continue until 8:00PM EDT on April 27, 2018, and allows any research community user with a FastLane or Research.gov account to test the new Research.gov proposal preparation features.

We encourage you to check out the preview site before April 27, 2018. Please keep in mind that all test data entered on the Research.gov proposal preparation site during the preview period (February 26, 2018 through April 27, 2018) will be deleted before the full site is launched on April 30, 2018.

Additional Information and Feedback
Feedback from the research community and NSF staff about proposal preparation in Research.gov during the preview period is critical to NSF and will be used to enhance and expand Research.gov incrementally. Feedback on the Research.gov preview site may be submitted via this link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ProposalPreparation.

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