



# FALL 2018 GRANTS CONFERENCE WEBCAST

November 8 - 9, 2018 / Live from New Orleans, LA

## Virtual Agenda At-A-Glance

### Thursday, November 8, 2018

Time	Activity	Presenter
9:00-9:15am	<b>Welcoming Remarks</b>	
9:15-9:40am	<b>Introduction and NSF Overview</b> This session will cover the NSF's purpose, mandate, organizational structure, program and budget highlights (including current budget status), trends, areas of special emphasis, and other special initiatives.	<b>Teresa Grancorvitz</b> , <i>Office Head and Chief Financial Officer, Office of Budget, Finance and Award Management</i>
9:40-10:10am	<b>Types of NSF Funding Opportunities</b> Learn about the various mechanisms NSF uses to fund proposals such as RAPID, EAGER, RAISE, Ideas Labs, and Conferences, to name a few. They're not all the same!	<b>Jeremy Leffler</b> , <i>Outreach Specialist, Div. of Institution and Award Support; Office of Budget, Finance and Award Management</i>
10:10-10:30am	<i>Break</i>	
10:30am-12:40pm	<b>Proposal Preparation</b> NSF Program Officers will review how and when to prepare a proposal, including discussion of what constitutes a project and a proposal of high quality. Presenters will discuss do's and don'ts, recent procedural changes, as well as the various sources of NSF programmatic opportunities.	<b>Fahmida Chowdhury</b> , <i>Program Manager, Office of International Science and Engineering</i> <b>Randy Phelps</b> , <i>Staff Associate, Office of Integrative Activities</i> <b>Elizabeth Rom</b> , <i>Program Director, Div. of Ocean Sciences; Dir. for Geosciences</i> <b>Andrea Weeks</b> , <i>Program Director, Div. of Environmental Biology; Dir. for Biological Sciences</i>
1:00-1:50pm	<i>Break</i>	
1:50-3:30pm	<b>Merit Review Process</b> NSF Program Officers will discuss the philosophy of merit review and how it works, as well as ad hoc and multi-tiered reviews. Presenters will also cover the role of the Program Officer, timing of proposal submissions, reviewer selection, release of reviewer comments, and conflict-of-interET issues related to merit review.	<b>Prakash Balan</b> , <i>Program Director, Div. of Industrial Innovation and Partnerships; Dir. for Engineering</i> <b>Tracy Kimbrel</b> , <i>Program Director, Div. of Computing and Communication Foundations; Dir. for Computer and Information Science and Engineering</i> <b>Karen King</b> , <i>Program Director, Div. of Research on Learning in Formal and Informal Settings; Dir. for Education and Human Resources</i> <b>Benjamin Klein</b> , <i>Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel</i>

### Friday, November 9, 2018

Time	Activity	Presenter
3:30-5:00pm	<b>NSF-Wide Programs</b> <i>Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Program, Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) and Facilitating Research at Primarily Undergraduate Institutions (RUI) and Research Opportunity Awards (ROA)</i> <b>Each directorate participates in these three popular NSF-Wide programs. Learn more about the program requirements and eligibility information for CAREER, REU and RUI/ROA</b>	<b>Tracy Kimbrel</b> , <i>Program Director, Div. of Computing and Communication Foundations; Dir. for Computer and Information Science and Engineering</i> <b>Elizabeth Rom</b> , <i>Program Director, Div. of Ocean Sciences; Dir. for Geosciences</i> <b>Josie Welkom</b> , <i>Acting Program Director, Office of Multidisciplinary Activities; Dir. for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences</i>