

The SBIR/STTR Proposal Lab

An Accelerator for Arkansas, Montana, New Mexico, and Wyoming Companies

Powered by the Four-State FAST Collaborative
Applications due March 4th, 2022

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Real-time Support for SBIR Proposal Package Preparation.

Timing matters. Run concurrently with the National Science Foundation’s (NSF) SBIR/STTR open submission window, this collaborative proposal lab provides the structure and support you need to put together a strong proposal package.

Do you have a transformative technology or innovative idea with commercial potential?

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The Proposal Lab

Putting together a strong SBIR proposal takes time. Drawing on the resources and expertise of FAST awardees from Arkansas, Montana, New Mexico, and Wyoming, The Proposal Lab provides a guided, structured track of support, from registration to submission. Throughout the 4-week program, participants will receive guidance on areas such as creating actionable Letters of Support, creating a complete proposal package that adheres to NSF requirements, and reviewing your proposal for completeness and adherence to NSF requirements. Each session focuses on an aspect of proposal package development and culminates with a submission to [NSE](#).

Participants can expect to:

- Attend a virtual meeting
- Complete a portion of their proposal package
- Receive feedback, guidance, and support from The Proposal Lab collaborative

The [NSF SBIR/STTR programs](#) focus on transforming scientific discovery into products and services with commercial potential and/or societal benefit. NSF funds deep technologies – those that are based on discoveries in fundamental science and engineering – in a variety of functional technology topic areas. The only scientific discovery areas that NSF will typically not fund are related to drug discovery and clinical trials.

NSF utilizes the Project Pitch as a “first-pass” to see if you meet the program’s objectives to support innovative technologies that show promise of commercial and/or societal impact and involve a level of technical risk. If your Project Pitch is a good fit for the program, you will receive an official invitation from NSF to submit a full proposal, and you will continue on with cohort activities. To participate in The Proposal Lab, you must have an accepted Project Pitch or a completed Project Pitch that is ready for submission.

Through the program, you’ll receive targeted support on the following areas of proposal development:

- Registrations
- Letter(s) of support
- Forms
- Grant writing
- Budget creation

Tailored Benefits

Targeted Support

Our team will walk you through the NSF SBIR proposal development process from start to finish.

Connect

Putting together a quality SBIR proposal package can be overwhelming. We use a cohort-style approach to build a community of innovators working towards a shared goal.

We will also connect you to experts – those who live and breathe SBIR – throughout the program. Expect to talk to NSF program managers, DCAA compliance experts, past reviewers, and more.

Professional Review

Having a third party review your proposal is critical. The program has SBIR experts on-hand to review and provide constructive feedback before you submit.

We are looking for small businesses working on innovative ideas with commercial potential that align with NSF SBIR/STTR guidelines.

Requirements include:

SBIR Program Eligibility:

- Having 500 or fewer employees;
- Being independently owned and operated and organized for profit;
- Having your principal place of business in the U.S.;
- Being at least 51% owned by U.S. citizens or lawfully admitted permanent resident aliens;
- Performing all work within the U.S.;
- Having the Principal Investigator (PI) spend more than one-half of their time employed by the proposing firm; and,
- Having a minimum of two-thirds of the research work performed by the proposing firm in Phase I and one-half in Phase II.

Timeline

Project Pitch Workshop

February 10, 2022

Application Deadline

March 11, 2022

Acceptance Notices Sent

March 21, 2022

First Day of Proposal Lab

March 29, 2022

Last Day of Proposal Lab

April 21, 2022

Application Deadline

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Day(s)

Hour(s)

Minute(s)

Second(s)

This accelerator is a collaboration between Arkansas, Montana, New Mexico, and Wyoming through their FAST programs, which are funded in part by the U.S. Small Business Administration



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