



**Anticipated Limited Submission – NSF: Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI Program), Institutional Transformation Projects (ITPs) Limited Submission Internal Call**

The Office of Research Development requests internal concept papers for NSF’s anticipated “Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI Program),” **Track 3** (“Institutional Transformation Projects” (ITPs)).

The anticipated (external) deadline for a full proposal is August 28, 2024. ITP awards are expected to be five-year projects costing up to \$3 million.

Information from the previous solicitation is available at:

<https://new.nsf.gov/funding/opportunities/improving-undergraduate-stem-education-hispanic/nsf22-611/solicitation>

Program Goals: “The goals of the HSI program are to enhance the quality of undergraduate ... STEM education and to increase the recruitment, retention, and graduation rates of students pursuing associates or baccalaureate degrees in STEM.”

Track 3 “provides five years of support for institution-wide, systemic change projects grounded in STEM education research and broadening participation research. The ITP should be designed to make institutional infrastructure and policy changes to support long-term institutional changes that encourage and support faculty to implement evidence-based practices .... *The ITP should impact all STEM disciplines at the proposing institution.* Therefore, the PIs should comprise a *multidisciplinary team* with the expertise and experience needed to implement the proposed project.”

Given the “impact” requirement above, please address the “all STEM disciplines” requirement in your concept paper.

**TAMU-CC is allowed only one submission to this solicitation. To apply for this internal competition, please submit the following items as a single PDF document:**

- NSF HSI Track 3 Cover Page (document attached).
- A proposal narrative of no more than four pages that follows the solicitation cited above and the current NSF *Proposals and Award Policies and Procedures Guide* (<https://new.nsf.gov/policies/pappg/23-1>). No page limit on references;
- Estimated budget with a one-page draft budget justification;

- NSF Biographical Sketches for all PI/Co-PIs in the current SciENCv format;
- If you were previously selected for any limited submission competition at TAMU-CC, and did not submit a proposal, please provide a 250-word explanation of why a proposal was not submitted as a separate document in your proposal package.

**Internal concept papers following the guidelines below are due March 28, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. CDT. Send a single PDF of the entire proposal to Dr. Garth Clayton at [garth.clayton@tamucc.edu](mailto:garth.clayton@tamucc.edu) with the subject line “NSF ITP Concept Paper.”**

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Garth Clayton at [garth.clayton@tamucc.edu](mailto:garth.clayton@tamucc.edu).