

Frequently Asked Questions

Funding Opportunity Announcement:

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UCEDD National Training Initiatives, Diversity Fellowships and Partnership Planning Grants

<http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=283785>

I. Diversity Fellowship Grants' Frequently Asked Questions

1. Q: When are applications due?

A: July 11, 2016

2. Q: What is the project start date?

A: September 1, 2016

3. Q: What is the project end date?

A: August 31, 2017

4. Q: How many grants will be awarded?

A: Up to ten diversity fellowship grants

5. Q: Is the indirect cost the same as the Core Grant?

A: Yes, this is a training grant with an 8% cap.

6. Q: How many fellows (trainees) are expected to participate at each UCEDD?

A: This is up to the applicant, however, applicants must recruit at least one trainee from a diverse background to participate.

7. Q: Can this opportunity be used to support international fellows (trainees)?

A: This funding can only be used to support trainees who are U.S. Citizens.

8. Q: It will take time to recruit a fellow (trainee) for this opportunity; what if we cannot use all the funds by 8/31/17?

A: UCEDDs who receive this funding can request carry-over of funds to complete the project after 8/31/17. For UCEDDs whose core grant is ending in 2017, a no-cost extension can be requested to finish the project.

9. Q: What is the definition of "trainee" for the purpose of this project?

A: For this project, the definition for "trainee" is the same definition as defined in the UCEDD Logic Model: "Intermediate- and long-term trainees that are participating in a UCEDD interdisciplinary or discipline specific training program". See the [UCEDD Resource Center website](#) for more information.

10. Q: Can funds be used for the fellows (trainees) to travel to the AUCD conference, if the conference is after the project end date?

A: UCEDDs who receive this funding can request carry-over of funds for fellowship activities after 8/31/17. For UCEDDs whose core grant is ending in 2017, a no-cost extension can be requested.

11. Q: Are current 2015-2016 diversity fellowship grantees eligible to apply?

A: Grantees currently participating in diversity fellowships are eligible to reapply under the 2016-2017 FOA. The proposal can support the efforts of a new fellow or continue the work of a current fellow.

12. Q: If I submit an application for the Diversity Fellowship Grant, am I automatically considered for the Partnership Planning Grant?

A: No, the Diversity Fellowship Grant and Partnership Planning Grant are two separate opportunities. Applicants must submit for each FOA, if interested.

13. Q: Can a single UCEDD apply for both funding opportunities - Diversity Fellowship Grant and Partnership Planning Grant?

A: Yes, two separate proposals can be submitted by one UCEDD

14. Q: What are the reporting requirements?

A: Funded applicants will submit a progress report as part of the UCEDD annual report.

II. Partnership Planning Grants' Frequently Asked Questions

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A: Up to ten partnership planning grants

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A: Yes, this is a training grant with an 8% cap.

6. Q: What does the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) entail?

A: See page 22 -- section V. Application Review Information; 1. Criteria; 2.5 Organizational Capacity under Criteria

7. Q. Is there a recommended format for the MOU?

A. No

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11. Q. Is there an expectation that there is some implementation/piloting of activities during the funding year?

A. These are planning grants therefore implementation activities are not expected.

12. Q. What is the definition of a Minority-Serving Institution (MSI) for the purposes of this project?

A. Per page 2 of the FOA, minority-serving institutions are those defined in Title III and Title V of the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008.

13. Q. Is a letter of intent required, I missed the deadline?

A. Letters of intent are requested, but not required. You can let the project officer know of your intent, should you desire.

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