Grant Title: FACULTY EARLY CAREER DEVELOPMENT (CAREER) PROGRAM

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Agency/Department: National Science Foundation; Directorate for Biological Sciences; Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering; Directorate for Education & Human Resources; Directorate for Engineering; Directorate for Geosciences; Directorate for Mathematical & Physical Sciences; Directorate for Social, Behavioral & Economic Sciences; Office of Cyberinfrastructure; Office of International Science and Engineering; Office of Polar Programs

Area of Research: Support for junior faculty.


Amount: The minimum CAREER award, including indirect costs, will total $400,000 for the 5-year duration with the following exception: proposers to the Directorate of Biological Sciences (BIO) or the Office of Polar Programs (OPP) must submit budget requests for a minimum of $500,000 for the 5-year duration. The PECASE award is an honorary award for all NSF recipients and does not provide additional funds. CAREER awards are eligible for supplemental funding as described in the NSF Award & Administration Guide (AAG), Chapter I.E.4.

Length of Support: 5 years

Eligible Applicants: All academic institutions accredited and located in the U.S., its territories or possessions, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico that award degrees in fields supported by NSF; or, Non-profit, non-degree-granting organizations such as museums, observatories or research laboratories, provided that the eligibility requirements for the PI's position are also satisfied.

Summary: The Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Program is a Foundation-wide activity that offers the National Science Foundation's most prestigious awards in support of junior faculty who exemplify the role of teacher-scholars through outstanding research, excellent education and the integration of education and research within the context of the mission of their organizations. Such activities should build a firm foundation for a lifetime of leadership in integrating education and research. NSF encourages submission of CAREER proposals from junior faculty members at all CAREER-eligible organizations and especially encourages women, members of underrepresented minority groups, and persons with disabilities to apply. PECASE: Each year NSF selects nominees for the Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE) from among the most meritorious recent CAREER awardees. Selection for this award is based on two important criteria: 1) innovative research at the frontiers of science and technology that is relevant to the mission of the sponsoring organization or agency, and 2) community service demonstrated through scientific leadership, education or community outreach. These awards foster innovative developments in science and technology, increase awareness of careers in science and engineering, give recognition to the scientific missions of the participating agencies, enhance connections between fundamental research and national goals, and highlight the importance of science and technology for the Nation's future.