

Questions: National Science Foundation

1. Which of these agencies do not fund health research?
 - a. Food and Drug Administration
 - b. Department of Energy
 - c. National Science Foundation
 - d. U.S. Army
2. Research.gov is an interactive real-time system used to conduct business over the internet for which agency?
 - a. National Institutes of Health
 - b. National Science Foundation
 - c. National Endowment for the Arts
 - d. National Defense Agency
3. Which agency was the first to establish a web based proposal submission system?
 - a. National Science Foundation
 - b. National Institutes of Health
 - c. Grants.gov
 - d. NASA
4. Provides for the temporary assignment of personnel between the Federal Government and state and local governments, colleges and universities.
 - a. Temporary Personnel Assignment Act (TPAA)
 - b. Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA)
 - c. Personnel Loan Act (PLA)
 - d. Personnel Relocation Act (PRA)
5. Which of the following is an independent agency
 - a. National Institutes of Health
 - b. Office of Naval Research
 - c. National Science Foundation
 - d. US Department of Energy
6. NSF salary for senior personnel in the proposal is limited to
 - a. 3 months
 - b. there is no longer a limit
 - c. 2 months
 - d. 1 month

7. According to NSF policy inclusion of voluntary committed cost sharing is
 - a. required
 - b. recommended to improved funding score
 - c. limited to 10%
 - d. prohibited
8. The National Science Board
 - a. establishes policies
 - b. reviews grant proposals
 - c. conducts research
 - d. reviews expenses on federal grants
9. Which is an area that NSF does not fund?
 - a. engineering
 - b. geosciences
 - c. mathematical & Physical Sciences
 - d. medical Science
10. NSF Dear Colleague Letters are used for
 - a. giving general broad descriptions of programs
 - b. encouraging the submission of proposals to specific program areas
 - c. congratulating PIs on their pending award
 - d. informing the community about special competitions
11. Letters of intent are used for the following except
 - a. Binding the institution to submit a proposal
 - b. Help gauge the size and range of the competition
 - c. Enabling better selection of reviewers
 - d. Avoid potential conflicts of interest in the review process
12. An invite/not invite decision would be received in response to a
 - a. Full proposal
 - b. Letter of intent
 - c. Discussion with the program officer
 - d. Preliminary proposal
13. The following are not normally funded by NSF
 - a. Institutes of Higher education
 - b. Non-profits
 - c. State and local governments
 - d. Foreign organizations

14. What mechanism is used to reduce the proposer unnecessary effort in proposal preparation and increase the overall quality of full proposals.
 - a. Letter of intent
 - b. Program solicitation
 - c. Dear Colleague letter
 - d. Preliminary proposal
15. Date after which a proposal will still be accepted although they may miss a particular review meeting.
 - a. Target date
 - b. Deadline date
 - c. Submission window
 - d. Open review period
16. Proposal documents that are intended for NSF internal use.
 - a. Abstract
 - b. References
 - c. Data management plan
 - d. Single-copy documents
17. Form 1030 refers to which part of the proposal?
 - a. Cover sheet
 - b. Current and pending support
 - c. Project summary
 - d. Budget
18. Project summary must contain which labelled sections.
 - a. Overview, intellectual merit and broader impacts
 - b. Overview, prior support and broader impacts
 - c. Prior support, , intellectual merit and broader impacts
 - d. Prior support, , intellectual merit and references
19. Generally project descriptions are limited to how many pages
 - a. 30
 - b. 10
 - c. 15
 - d. No limits
20. Project Descriptions must have the following labelled sections.
 - a. intellectual merit and broader impacts
 - b. Prior support and intellectual merit
 - c. Prior support and broader impacts
 - d. Facilities, Equipment and Other Resources

21. Costs for stipends, subsistence and travel allowances for trainees go under what category?
- a. Other direct costs
 - b. Travel costs
 - c. Personnel costs
 - d. Participant support Costs
22. If postdocs are included in the project NSF requires
- a. That they are included in the budget
 - b. That they are cost shared
 - c. Inclusion of a postdoctoral mentoring plan
 - d. Inclusion of a data Management plan
23. An aspect of NSF separate collaborative proposals linked together in Research.gov.
- a. They are given funding priority by NSF
 - b. They incorporate a single budget
 - c. Each institution is awarded funds separately.
 - d. One institution receives the funds and issues subawards to the other institutions.
24. A NSF proposal submission where there is a urgency with regards to the availability or access to data.
- a. EAGER
 - b. RISE
 - c. RAISE
 - d. RAPID
25. NSF proposal that requires industry involvement
- a. GOALI
 - b. EAGER
 - c. RAPID
 - d. RAISE
26. NSF generally uses what type of proposal review?
- a. Double blind review
 - b. External review
 - c. Internal Review
 - d. Peer review
27. The most commonly used NSF award mechanism
- a. Grants
 - b. Cooperative agreements
 - c. Contracts
 - d. CRADAS

28. The NSF office that is the final step in the proposal review and award process.
 - a. Program manager
 - b. Review panel
 - c. Division directors
 - d. Division of Grants and Agreements
29. The NSF office that produces the Proposal & Award Policies and Procedures Guide
 - a. Division of Grants and Agreements
 - b. Division of Proposal Services
 - c. Policy Office, Division of Institution and Award Support
 - d. Division of Financial Management
30. NSF requires each grantee organization employing more than 50 people to have
 - a. Adequate financial management system
 - b. Internal controls
 - c. Written policy on conflict of interest
 - d. Indirect cost rate agreement
31. As part of NSF's implementation of America COMPETES Act institutions must provide appropriate training in the responsible and ethical conduct of research to which groups.
 - a. Undergraduates
 - b. Graduate Students
 - c. Postdoctoral researchers
 - d. All of the above
32. The following are considered research misconduct in proposing or performing research funded by NSF.
 - a. Fabrication of data
 - b. Falsification
 - c. Plagiarism
 - d. All of the above

Answers:

1 c	14 d	27 a
2 b	15 a	28 d
3 a	16 d	29 c
4 b	17 d	30 c
5 c	18 a	31 d
6 c	19 c	32 d
7 d	20 a	
8 a	21 d	
9 d	22 c	
10 d	23 c	
11 a	24 d	
12 d	25 a	
13 d	26 d	