

US NSF/SBE – UKRI Lead Agency Opportunity

Expression of Interest (EOI)

Please complete the form below and submit your completed EOI in PDF format by email to the agency in the country where the majority of the research is to be carried out. If NSF is the lead agency, please email to sbe-ukri@nsf.gov for consideration. If a UK research council is the lead agency, email to sbeleadagency@ukri.org.

When completing the requested summary budgetary information below, please keep in mind budgetary norms and limits for the programs at NSF and UKRI:

- **For AHRC-led** proposals the UK costs must be between £50,000 and £1,500,000.
- **For BBSRC-led** proposals the UK costs may not exceed £1 million (there is no minimum).
- **For ESRC-led** proposals the UK costs must be between £350,000 and £1 million.
- **For NSF-led** proposals where AHRC is the UK funder, a maximum of £350,000 can be requested for UK costs.
- **For NSF-led** proposals where ESRC/BBSRC is the UK funder, a maximum of £1 million can be requested for UK costs.
- **For NSF-led** proposals, please consult with the relevant program(s) for budgetary norms.
- There is no minimum amount for UK contributions where NSF is the Lead Agency.

For proposals submitted to the NSF/SBE as the Lead Agency, please be mindful of programmatic submission deadlines. Please check the NSF/SBE divisions' websites¹ for applicable dates for the program(s) most relevant to your project. Invited full proposals will need to be submitted in accordance with submission dates for the program(s) considering the proposal.

Project details

Suggested lead agency (highlight one UK or US option only)

Proposed title

¹ Division of Behavioral & Cognitive Sciences (<http://www.nsf.gov/div/index.jsp?div=BCS>) and Division of Social & Economic Sciences (<http://www.nsf.gov/div/index.jsp?div=SES>)

Principal Investigator (PI) name and institution
(The PI is the lead researcher based in the country of the lead agency chosen above)

Collaborating colleague's name and institution (The collaborating colleague is the lead researcher based in the country of the non-lead agency)

Approximate budget to be requested from NSF for US costs in USD:

Approximate budget to be requested from NSF for US costs in GBP:

Approximate budget to be requested from UKRI for UK costs (at 100% fEC) in GBP:

Approximate budget to be requested from UKRI for UK costs (at 100% fEC) in USD:

Total approximate budget (This should be both sides of project included together) in USD:

Total approximate budget (This should be both sides of project included together) in GBP:

Please confirm all institutions involved have agreed to this submission

Suggested NSF/SBE Program(s) for US side of project (e.g. Economics; Archaeology)

If you think your proposed research may cross more than one UK research council's remit, please indicate which areas you feel would be involved (optional)

Please list five key words/subject areas related to the research

Is this EOI a resubmission of (or related to) a full proposal previously submitted to SBE or UKRI for peer review?

If yes, please provide details (proposal number, title etc.) Please Note: Where a UKRI council was the lead agency for the previous proposal, and ESRC/AHRC/BBSRC will be the lead agency for this submission, evidence of the invitation to resubmit should be submitted with the EOI. Where SBE is and/or was the lead agency for the previous full proposal, an invitation to resubmit is not necessary. Resubmission to one funding agency after unsuccessful review by the other funding agency is not allowed.

Please be sure to include indirect, estate and administrative costs for both the UK and US budgets at this stage. Full proposal budgets should not vary from those specified in the EOI by more than 10% and any such changes should be fully justified.

Project description

Please write in the box below a brief description of the proposed project (1000 words or 2 pages in length maximum.) Please include:

- the main objectives of the proposed research
- the main research challenges of the proposed research
- the methodologies to be used
- planned outputs
- anticipated broader impacts and beneficiaries of the project

Submitting a full proposal

If your EOI is accepted as falling within the scope of research typically reviewed by the NSF/SBE program as well as fitting with the remit of ESRC, AHRC or BBSRC, you will be invited to submit a full research proposal. We expect that full proposals will be submitted within 12 months of EOI acceptance. If more time is needed for proposal preparation, an additional EOI may be required.

Data sharing

Data is shared between UKRI and SBE to enable the secure and efficient processing of EOIs and full proposals for the US NSF/SBE – UKRI Lead Agency Opportunity. Data shared includes EOIs, proposal attachments, anonymised peer reviews and panel comments. Data is shared via a secure extranet where appropriate. UKRI and SBE are committed to maintaining data confidentiality, protection and privacy and intend to fully abide by their own applicable laws and policies concerning the sharing of data in our collaborative activities. SBE and UKRI will follow their own data retention policies once data is shared from one to the other. An internal record of data shared with SBE is kept by UKRI. Further information on how UKRI processes personal data can be found in the UKRI privacy notice (<https://www.ukri.org/privacy-notice>).