

Call for Indications of Interest

National Science Foundation Accelerating Research Translation (ART)

Arkansas State will hold an internal competition to select a proposal for submission to NSF's Accelerating Research Translation (ART) Program.

About NSF's ART Program:

This solicitation seeks proposals that enable teams to propose a blend of: (1) activities that will help build and/or strengthen the institutional infrastructure to sustainably grow the institutional capacity for research translation in the short and long terms; (2) educational/training opportunities, especially for graduate students and postdoctoral researchers, to become entrepreneurs and/or seek use-inspired and/or translational research-oriented careers in the public and/or private sectors; and (3) specific, translational research activities that offer immediate opportunities for transition to practice to create economic and/or societal impact. The funded teams will form a nationwide network of 'ART Ambassadors' who will champion the cause of translational research.

For more information, view the full solicitation here:

<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2023/nsf23558/nsf23558.htm>

Award:

Up to \$6,000,000 per award for a duration of 4 years

Limited Submission Requirements and Important Notes:

One (1) lead application per institution is permitted.

Eligibility Note: Any IHE that receives an ART award is not allowed to submit a proposal to this program as the lead organization in any future competitions of this solicitation.

Arkansas State's ART Submission:

To put forth the strongest proposals from our campus, an internal competition will be held to select applicants to submit a proposal to the NSF. This internal competition is announced in **January** with a **March** submission date.

To apply, submit an **Indication of Interest** consisting of a two-page project summary including: 1) the capacity building activities for longer-term impact; 2) a plan for evidence-based training of postdoctoral researchers and/or graduate students via translational research activities that can successfully support diverse career pathways, focusing on non-academic ones; 3) Identify and describe at least two (2) Translational Research Projects (see solicitation page 5); 4) the intellectual merit and broader impacts of the proposed research activities.

In addition, please provide, a list of up-to four (4) Co-PIs, and any other anticipated collaborators (include any subawardee's you plan to have here); provide a NSF Biosketch for the PI and Co-PIs. Applicants proposing to revise and resubmit a previously submitted proposal must also provide a copy of the reviewers' comments, and summarize a conversation held with their Program Officer regarding how to improve the proposal. All documents are **due by 5 pm on Friday, March 15, 2024** to research@astate.edu.

The review process for Indications of Interest consists of two steps: 1) eligibility review; and 2) full proposal review. To determine eligibility, RTT will use the ART guidelines to ensure all indications of interest meet NSF's program requirements.

Applicants are expected to read the ART guidelines before submitting, and to devote as much attention to their two-page summary as they would if submitting the same to the NSF.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact research@astate.edu