



# National Science Foundation (NSF) CAREER Award Panel

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# Panelists

- **Bing Dong**, Associate Professor, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
- **Davoud (Dave) Mozhdehi (Moz)**, Assistant Professor, Chemistry
- **Sucheta Soundarajan**, Associate Professor, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

## Moderator

- **Ian Hosein**, Associate Professor, Biomedical and Chemical Engineering

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# What is the NSF CAREER Program?

National Science Foundation's most prestigious awards to help a junior faculty member develop activities that can effectively integrate research and education within the context of his/her organization.

# Goals of the CAREER Program

- Provide stable support for five years ( $\geq$ \$400K in most Divisions – MPS, GEO, ENG are  $\geq$ \$500K) to allow the career development of outstanding new teacher-scholars in the context of the mission of their organization.
  - Check with your Program Officer for the Division norms or use NSF Award search tool
- Build a foundation for a lifetime of integrated contributions to research and education. Not your average research award!
- Incentivize Universities to value the integration of research and education.
- Increase participation of those traditionally underrepresented in science and engineering.

# PI Eligibility

- Hold a doctoral degree by the deadline date in a field supported by NSF; be untenured; and have not previously received a CAREER award
  - AND
- Be employed in a tenure-track (or tenure-track equivalent) position as an ***assistant professor*** (or equivalent) title as of the submission deadline date. Associate Professors are not eligible to apply
- Have not had more than two CAREER proposals reviewed (You can enter a total of 3 CAREER competitions).

# CAREER Proposal Due Dates

## **DUE DATES for all Directorates**

Full Proposal Deadline Date: July 25, 2022

# Key Proposal Requirements

- **Project Description** – Integration of the Research and Education
- **Budget** – Use the [OSP Budget Template](#)
- **Budget Justification** – [NSF Sample Budget Justification](#)
- **Letter of Recommendation** – Required letter from the Department Chair
- **Current Pending Support** – 2 supported methods
  - [SciENcv website](#)
  - [NSF fillable Current and Pending Support form](#)
- **Biographical Sketches** – 2 supported methods.
  - [SciENcv website](#)
  - [NSF fillable Biographical Sketch form](#)
- **Data Management Plan** – Examples: [DMPTool](#), and University of Michigan Library [DMP Templates](#) for multiple NSF Directorates (as well as DOD, DoE, DOT, and NASA)
- **Facilities and Resources**- Describe applicable Lab, Computer or other available facilities, equipment resources and support services, such as administrative, lab support, or other supporting personnel.

# NSF CAREER website

- [NSF Career Website: www.nsf.gov/career](http://www.nsf.gov/career)
  - Program Solicitation ([NSF 20-525](#))
  - Frequently Asked Questions ([FAQs](#))
  - NSF contacts
  - Funded awards
  - CISE and ENG hold CAREER writing workshops – sign up!
    - [CISE 2022 Workshop](#): April 4-5, 2022 via Zoom
  - Career-Life Balance supplements
  - Supplemental research opportunities



# Upcoming Events to Help with CAREER Proposals

- Check with your college for any programs (ECS, CAS)
- Logic Models for Project and Proposal Development – March 30
- Data Management Planning – April 13
- National Science Foundation Broader Impacts 101 – April 22

# Now let's hear from the experts!

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# Thank you!

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