
The National Aeronautics and Space Administration Office of Education is accepting proposals under the Education Opportunities in NASA STEM (EONS) 2018 NASA Research Announcement. This is an umbrella announcement for opportunities under the Minority University Research and Education Program, (MUREP), which includes a call for proposals for the following program element:

MUSIC is a two-year cooperative agreement that seeks 2 to 3 blended MSI and non-profit organization teams, to provide workshop(s) and training materials that establish a structure of sustainable support for MSIs that desire to develop their institution’s capacity for competition for federal funds and implementation of NASA-focused development and contracting opportunities by MSIs. The workshop events should connect MSI administrators and university STEM leaders to cutting-edge initiatives at NASA that will increase interest in securing research and contracting opportunities while assembling Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs) and their stakeholders around common interests, and challenges, then provide effective tools to optimize resources and develop formal and informal partnerships. Ultimately, the proposed workshops should result in: Institutions that submit funding applications to NASA contracts and grants. As well as, publishable, quality training materials, designed to accomplish the goals of this solicitation with the intent of free distribution to all MSIs.

The goal of any proposed activity or combination of activities, should enable university sponsored programs/designee and associated staff to learn to compete for and effectively manage contracts, grants or other federal funding sources. Proposals for this activity shall be written so that the objectives are clearly focused on the desired effect that is to be achieved (e.g., training MSIs to successfully win/Manage funding opportunities), rather than the logistics information of a single meeting. Proposers indicating a stated goal of simply paying for logistics in support of an event that they will host but not develop/provide training for will be considered unresponsive to this solicitation. MUSIC awardees shall develop, host, and co-present training for any associated workshops.

This Amendment creates Appendix H. Notices of Intent are requested by March 23, 2018, and proposals are due May 22, 2018.

Questions concerning Appendix H, NASA MUSIC, may be directed to Mr. Clarence Bostic, NASA MUSIC Activity Manager, NASA Langley Research Center, Hampton VA via NASAMUSIC@nasaprs.com.