

EPSCoR
Louisiana Materials Design Alliance (LAMDA)
Seed Funding Track 1 A: Single Investigator Award

Answers given by Board of Regents staff in response to questions in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) as of **November 27, 2020**, which was the last day to answer questions.

Proposals Due: December 11, 2020

Question:

After adding 250 words in Abstract section, item# 4 on cover page goes to next page (please see page# 5 of the attached RFP). Is it okay or I must fit this (item# 4) on the cover page? Is my signature required after the statement (item# 4) on the cover page ((please see page# 5 of the attached RFP)?

Page# 4 of the RFP shows, "The Budget page must be approved and signed by the submitting institution's authorized representative." Is a signature on the budget page (page# 7 of the attached file) required although the UNO Sponsored Programs Approval Letter will be attached to the proposal? Thank you very much in advance for your response!

Answer:

It is fine if item #4 goes to the next age. Your signature is not required after item #4. Yes we did require a signature on the budget in addition to the letter. Since this is a new move to a PI driven system and the proposals are not being submitted by OSP, it was decided to add an extra verification. There is no official line on the budget. OSP can just stamp it or sign anywhere are the bottom.

Question:

I am planning to submit a proposal for the LAMDA seed grant funding. I see that there are pdf versions of the title page, NSF demographic survey page, and sample budget form are attached to the RFP. Are the word/excel files of those files also being circulated? Or, we were supposed to create our own editable files? Thanks. The RFP is attached for your quick reference.

Answer:

If you visit the page, <https://laepscor.piestar-rfx.com/opportunities/all/rfp/101>, you will see a link to a google drive folder is provided to download the word forms of the documents you mentioned. Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Question:

I have a question after registering in the system. Will this system allow or require submission by the institution's Office of Sponsored Projects or similar two-step process, or will the PIs applying be able to submit? Do we need to access a separate registration portal for OSP? Thanks so much for your help.

Answer:

This is a PI driven system so they will be able to submit. If you look at one of the RFPs currently available in the system, you will see that we require an approval letter from the institution OSP office and an approval signature on the budget.