

# Review Criteria for NH-LIFT *Collaboration* Seed Grant Funding Proposals

## Seed Collaboration Funding Eligibility

1. A NH-LIFT Partner Institution
2. Proposals must include a PUI or Community College, preferably as the PI
3. A faculty member may lead only one project but can be a collaborator on another within a funding cycle.
4. The proposal must demonstrate an understanding of the distinct differences between Collaborative and Catalyst funding.

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| <b>NSF Ranking: 1 = Poor; 2 = Fair; 3 = Good; 4 = Very Good; 5 = Excellent</b>                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b><i>PROPOSAL ALIGNMENT WITH LIFT GOALS</i></b>                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Collaboration and Ecosystem Strengthening</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The proposal fosters a cross-institutional research ecosystem by building relationships that include two or more academic institutions.</li></ul>        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The proposal creates an environment of reciprocal collaboration</li></ul>                                                                                                                                 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The proposal aligns with the <a href="#">NH Research and Industry Plan</a>. This criteria is not required but could be a deciding factor with funding is limited</li></ul>                                |
| <b>Inclusion of PUI/Community College Faculty</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The proposal includes two or more collaborators and aligns with NH-LIFT's aim to broaden the participation of PUIs and/or Community Colleges.</li></ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The project lead is a PUI and/or a Community College.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                           |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The proposal includes an early career faculty member.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                           |
| <b><i>PROJECT DESIGN AND APPROACH</i></b>                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Clarity and Feasibility of Activities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The proposed activities are clearly defined and feasible within the proposed funding time frame.</li></ul>                                                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strategies for convening teams, building relationships, or catalyzing innovation are demonstrated.</li></ul>                                                                                              |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The time frame for the proposed activities is clearly defined.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                  |
| <b><i>INNOVATION AND IMPACT</i></b>                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Innovation and Contribution to Research</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The proposal describes the potential for future research collaboration.</li></ul>                                                                          |
| <b><i>BUDGET AND RESOURCES</i></b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Reasonableness and Justification of Budget</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The budget is reasonable and justified for the proposed activities.</li></ul>                                                                           |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Requested funds are appropriately allocated.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                    |