

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

Seed Collaboration Funding Eligibility

1. A NH-LIFT Partner Institution
2. Proposals must include two or more investigators and 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.
5. Proposal aligns with the NH Research and Industry Plan.

NSF Ranking: 1 = Poor; 2 = Fair; 3 = Good; 4 = Very Good; 5 = Excellent
<i>PROPOSAL ALIGNMENT WITH LIFT GOALS</i>
Collaboration and Ecosystem Strengthening
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposal fosters a cross-institutional research ecosystem by building relationships that include two or more investigators at two or more academic institutions.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposal creates an environment of reciprocal collaboration
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposal aligns with the NH Research and Industry Plan.
Inclusion of PUI/Community College Faculty
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposal includes two or more collaborators and aligns with NH-LIFT’s aim to broaden the participation of PUIs and/or Community Colleges.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project lead is a PUI and/or a Community College.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposal includes an early career faculty member.
<i>PROJECT DESIGN AND APPROACH</i>
Clarity and Feasibility of Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed activities are clearly defined and feasible within the proposed funding time frame.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategies for convening teams, building relationships, or catalyzing innovation are demonstrated.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The time frame for the proposed activities is clearly defined.
<i>INNOVATION AND IMPACT</i>
Innovation and Contribution to Research
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposal describes the potential for future research collaboration.
<i>BUDGET AND RESOURCES</i>
Reasonableness and Justification of Budget
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The budget is reasonable and justified for the proposed activities.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requested funds are appropriately allocated.