

# University Nuclear research Infrastructure Revitalization

## Questions and Answers

**Q: If the person who wants to be the PI on this proposal is also a PI on a different program proposal, are there limitations to that?**

A: There are no limitations to PI involvement in separate funding opportunities.

**Q: Are there restrictions on citizenship for participating students?**

A: There is no U.S. citizenship requirement for students.

**Q: The NOFO mentioned at least 50% of the award must go infrastructure. Is the 50% requirement for the entire team or each institution?**

A: The 50% requirement is for the entire award. That is, 50% of the entire award needs to go toward physical equipment and infrastructure.

**Q: Could you explain the difference between an FOA and a NOFO?**

A: The change from FOA to NOFO is a DOE-wide initiative. The application process for funding opportunities is very similar, but the NOFO is now composed of two parts; the first part includes an overview of the specific DOE programmatic goals of the funding opportunity and the second part focuses on general DOE requirements. PIs should carefully read through both parts of the NOFO to make sure all of the required documents are submitted on time.

**Q: If an application proposes to develop a capability that is similar to an existing capability already available in another institution, but the capability does not currently exist in the proposing institution, would this be considered as a duplicate?**

A: The NOFO states that applications that describe performing actions that result in duplicating existing capabilities are specifically not of interest. However, context will play an important role in this assessment. In the event the applicant is proposing to develop a capability which exists at another institution, the applicant should make a compelling justification as to why having a duplicate piece of equipment at a different institution is necessary and clearly describe the impact of this effort.