

## INTERNAL COMPETITION

## IGERT



The **National Science Foundation (NSF)** has developed the **Integrative Graduate Education & Research Traineeship (IGERT)** program to meet the challenges of educating U.S. Ph.D. scientists & engineers who will pursue careers in research & education & become leaders & creative agents for change. The program is **intended to catalyze a cultural change in graduate education** by establishing innovative **new models for graduate education** & training in a fertile environment for **collaborative research** that transcends traditional disciplinary boundaries. It is also meant **to facilitate diversity** in student participation & preparation, & to contribute to a world-class, broadly inclusive, & globally engaged science & engineering workforce.

#### Limit on proposals per organization:

- Four (4) **preliminary Traineeship** proposals & one (1) **Resource Center** proposal allowed per institution (see guidelines for more information)
- Three (3) **full** proposals per institution (*by NSF invitation only*)

#### For faculty members who want to submit:

- **Read** the full announcement & **grant proposal guidelines** at [http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2008/nsf08540/nsf08540.htm?govDel=USNSF\\_37](http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2008/nsf08540/nsf08540.htm?govDel=USNSF_37).
- **Prepare** a concept paper of one (1) to three (3) pages, including a required summary budget, & save it as Word or PDF file
- **Submit** by attaching the file (in Word or PDF format) to an e-mail message & send it to [sponsoredprograms@usm.edu](mailto:sponsoredprograms@usm.edu) by 5:00 pm Monday, Feb. 12, 2007

A selection committee appointed by the USM Vice President for Research & Economic Development will choose up to four concept papers for development into preliminary proposals.

#### Deadlines:

- **Concept papers** due at **Southern Miss** Sponsored Programs Administration (SPA): by **5 p.m. Monday, February 25, 2008**
- **Preliminary proposals** (*by USM invitation only*) due at NSF: **April 24, 2008**
- **Full Proposals** (*by NSF invitation only*) due at NSF: by 5 p.m. proposer's local time, **October 20, 2008**

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