



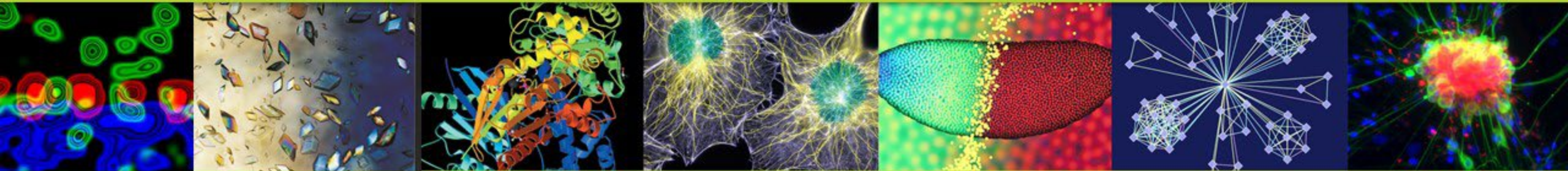
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Support for Research Excellence (SuRE) Program

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Outline of Today's Talk

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- SuRE Award (R16)
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SCORE ➡ Support for Research Excellence (SuRE)

Recommendations by NAGMS Council Based on SCORE Evaluation

- Revise expected outcomes: focus on sustainable research excellence, not “competitiveness”
- Revise and consolidate funding mechanisms
- Catalyze the development of research culture at eligible institutions
- Prioritize engaging students in funded research
- Broaden participation of eligible institutions

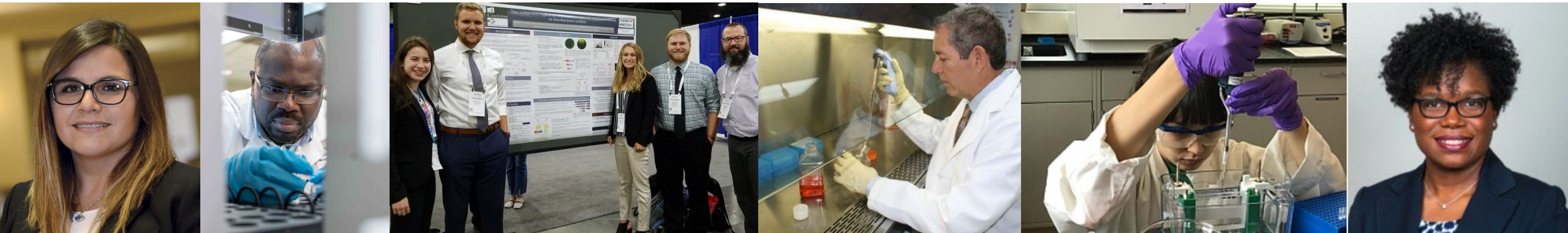
SCORE: increase the research competitiveness of the faculty, enhance the research base at eligible institutions. SC1, SC2, and SC3

SuRE: develop and sustain research excellence of faculty at eligible institutions
SuRE R16, SuRE-First R16, and SuRE-Resource Center U24

Goals of the SuRE Program

Purpose: to develop and sustain research excellence of faculty at institutions that award science degrees, receive limited NIH research support, and serve students from groups underrepresented in biomedical research

- Goals:**
- Provide research grant support for faculty investigators
 - Provide students with research opportunities
 - Catalyze institutional research and enrich the research environment



SuRE Funding Mechanisms

- **SuRE-First R16 Award ([PAR-21-173](#))**: supports research by faculty investigators who have not been PIs of external research grants
- **SuRE R16 Award ([PAR-21-169](#))**: supports research by faculty investigators with prior research experience but not currently funded by an NIH RPG grant
- **SuRE U24 Resource Center ([PAR-21-227](#))**: supports research capacity building, outreach and training activities, and tracking of grantee institutional progress in developing research capacity



Institutional Eligibility for R16s

- Award BA/BS and/or graduate degrees in biomedical sciences
- Have < \$6 M/year (total costs) from NIH Research Project Grants (RPG) in past 2 years calculated using [NIH RePORTER](#)
- Enroll $\geq 25\%$ undergraduate students supported by Pell grants using the [IPEDS database](#) as a reference; or medical/health professional school founded to educate students from [underrepresented](#) groups
- SuRE applications: no more than 20 total active SuRE, SC1, and SC3 awards
- SuRE-First applications: no limit

How to Calculate Institutional NIH RPG Funding?

<https://reporter.nih.gov/advanced-search>

Advanced Projects Search

Researcher and Organization

Fiscal Year ? 2 x

2021 x 2020 x

Current FY is 2022

Principal Investigator (PI) ?

PI Names or Profile IDs, semicolon ";", separated

Organization ? 1 x

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
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University of Texas El Paso

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Project Details

Agency/Institute/Center ? 1 x

NIH x

☒ Admin ☒ Funding

NIH Spending Category ?

☐ AND ☒ OR

Funding Mechanism ? 1 x

Research Project Grants x

Research Project Grants

Non-SBIR/STTR

SBIR/STTR

Research Centers

Other Research-Related

Training, Individual

Training, Institutional

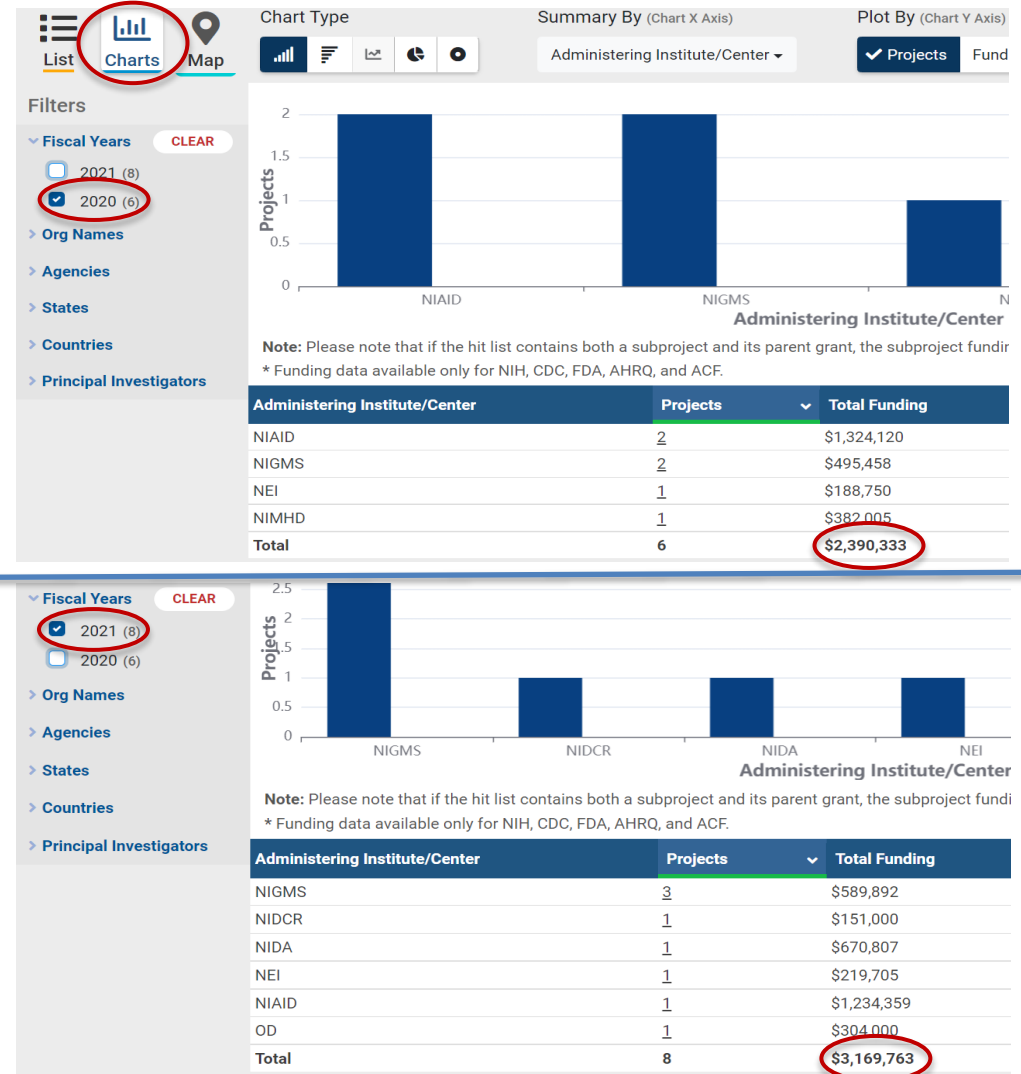
Award Type ?

Project Number/
Application ID ?

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Search



How to Determine % of Pell-supported Students?

<https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/use-the-data>

1. Select Institutions

My Comparison Institution - None Selected **ADD**

Select Institutions - You have selected 1 institution(s) **VIEW / MODIFY**

How would you like to select institutions to include in your data file/report?
[By Names or UnitIDs](#) [By Groups](#) [By Variables](#) [By Uploading a File](#)

The University of Texas at El Paso [\(change institution\)](#)

Institution Profile | **Reported Data** | **Data Feedback Reports** [Expand All](#) | [Collapse All](#) | [Print](#) | [Download PDF](#)

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NOTE: Any revisions made through the Prior Year Revision System are NOT included in the selected year.

2020 [Institutional Characteristics](#)

2019 [Admissions and Test Scores](#)

2018 [Fall Enrollment](#)

2017 [12-Month Enrollment](#)

2016 [Completions](#)

2015 [Graduation Rates](#)

2014 [GR200](#)

2013 [Outcome Measures](#)

2012 [Student Financial Aid and Net Price](#)

2011

2010

2009

Group 1: All undergraduate students (This number is carried forward from Part A, Line 01.)		21,427
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Aid Type		2019-20		
		Number of Group 1 students who were awarded aid	Percentage of Group 1 students who were awarded aid	Total amount of aid awarded to Group 1 students
01	Grant or scholarship aid from the federal government, state/local government, the institution, and other sources known to the institution (Do NOT include federal student loans)	15,506	72	114,153,900
	02 Pell Grants	12,280	57	57,128,120
03	Federal student loans	7,944	37	48,408,270

Group 1 All undergraduate students (This number is carried forward from Part A, Line 01.)		21,464
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Aid Type		2018-19		
		Number of Group 1 students who were awarded aid	Percentage of Group 1 students who were awarded aid	Average amount of aid awarded to Group 1 students
01	Grant or scholarship aid from the federal government, state/local government, the institution, and other sources known to the institution (Do NOT include federal student loans)	14,976	70	104,515,808
	02 Pell Grants	12,310	57	57,698,664
03	Federal student loans	8,496	40	54,087,391

Supported Research Areas, Review, and Funding

- Proposed projects open to research areas of all NIH Institutes and Centers (ICs)
- Applications assigned to NIAID will be reviewed by NIAID;
all other applications will be reviewed by NIGMS
- Meritorious applications in all research areas will be considered for funding
by NIGMS and other participating NIH ICs



SuRE-First Award (R16)

- [PAR-21-173](#) Application due dates: September 28, 2022; September 28, 2023
- \$125,000 direct cost/year, up to 4 years, mentored, non-renewable

PI Eligibility:

- Must have a full-time tenure-track (or equivalent) faculty appointment (tenured faculty included)
- Have not been the PI of an externally-funded, peer-reviewed SCORE or research grant *from any source*



Required Components of the SuRE-First R16 Application

- PI must have a research advisor from a domestic institution
- PI must devote a minimum of 6 calendar months per year to the project
- Research Strategy must include a Student Involvement Plan
 - Plan to recruit students, including those from underrepresented groups
 - Strategy to involve and train students in conducting research
- The application must include four attachments:
 - A) Institutional Letter – Strategic Plan for Building Research Capacity and Research Excellence
 - B) Institutional Letter - Support for the PD/PI's Research Career Development
 - C) PD/PI's Research Enhancement Plan
 - D) PD/PI's Prior, Current and Pending Support
- Preliminary data not required but if provided will be reviewed

SuRE Award (R16)

- [PAR-21-169](#) Application due date: May 26, 2023
- \$100,000 direct costs/year, up to 4 years, renewable

PI Eligibility:

- Must have a full-time tenure-track (or equivalent) faculty appointment (tenured faculty included)
- Cannot have an active NIH Research Project Grant (RPG) as a PI
 - RPG: R01, R35, U01, P01, R21, R03, R00, R15 grants
 - Grants in NCE are considered the same as active grants
 - SCORE, SuRE and SuRE-First awardees may apply in the last year of funding



Required Components of the SuRE R16 Application

- Research Strategy must include a Student Involvement Plan
- The application must include three attachments:
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 - B) Institutional Letter - Support for the PD/PI's Research Career Development
 - C) PI's Current and Pending Support



Administrative and Scientific Reviews

Administrative Review

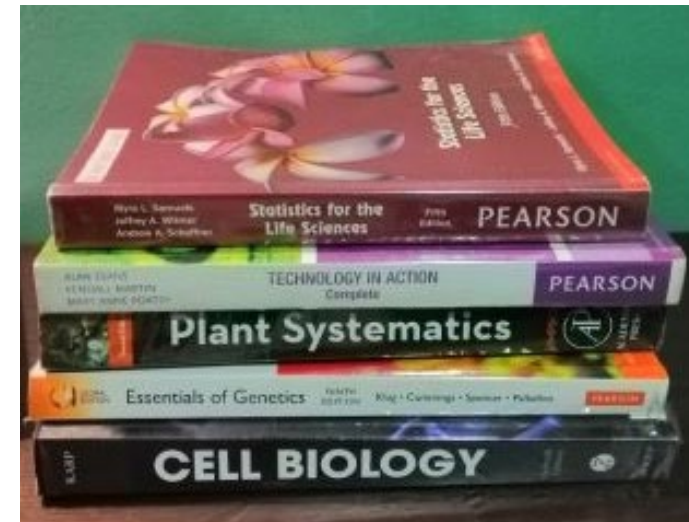
- Eligibility and compliance are evaluated by Program Officers and Scientific Review Officers
- Ineligible or non-compliant applications are withdrawn. To avoid this:
 - Read the FOA carefully and pay close attention to eligibility criteria and required components
 - Submit a few days prior to a due date, then check your application and edit it if needed

Scientific Review

- Applications are clustered by research area into Special Emphasis Panels
- Three reviewers are assigned to each application and provide preliminary scores
- Panel discusses applications in the top half of scoring and all panelists vote
- Each applicant gets a Summary Statement (with resumé of discussion, if in the top half)

Allowable and Unallowable Costs

- ✓ Costs essential to the conduct of the research project, such as salaries of PI, students, technicians, equipment, supplies, fees-for-service
- ✓ Travel costs
- ✓ Collaborators may be paid a salary or compensation appropriate to their roles
- ✓ Consultants may be paid a reasonable honorarium commensurate with their roles
- ✗ Support for foreign institutions, foreign research services, foreign collaborators, consultants, or foreign components/consortia, is not allowed (except as fee-for-service)



Thank You

Questions?

