

Teaming Requirements (See RFP 3.1, 4.2.1, 4.2.6.1)

Any proposal submitted in response to this RFP must be submitted by a U.S. university or college. Collaborations (i.e. teaming partners) between universities, and between universities and industry or national laboratories, are permitted. Partnering with minority serving institutions such as Historically Black Colleges and Universities and/or minority serving institutions is encouraged. The following link provides the list of minority institutions: <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/edlite-minorityinst.html>.

Furthermore, including young researchers on application teams is encouraged.

Each Offeror (i.e. U.S. University submitting a proposal) is responsible for obtaining each of their teaming partners' commitment to the mandatory requirements and their submittal of a response to this RFP is indicative of each teaming partner's acceptance of the mandatory requirements. The Offeror is not required to submit formal letters of commitment of their partners, as part of their RFP response. However, prior to award of any resultant contract, the Offeror must demonstrate that the proposed team has been formed and all teaming partner agreements are finalized.

The Offeror shall use the spreadsheet, "RFP Budget form.xls," attached to the RFP to provide all pricing information for execution of the proposed scope of work. Note that the required information is for the lead University, as well as for each partner. Additional pricing information beyond that requested may be provided, but will be used at the discretion of CAES. Any scope performed by a teaming partner or combination of teaming partners cannot exceed more than 20% of the total award amount of any resulting contract.