

Marty J. Chabert
Chair

Collis B. Temple III
Vice Chair

Blake R. David
Secretary

Kim Hunter Reed, Ph.D.
Commissioner of
Higher Education



Claudia H. Adley
Randy L. Ewing
Robert W. Levy
Charles R. McDonald
Darren G. Mire
Sonia A. Pérez
Wilbert D. Pryor
T. Jay Seale III
Gary N. Solomon, Jr.
Gerald J. Theunissen
Felix R. Weill
Jacqueline V. Wyatt
William S. Jewell, Student

BOARD OF REGENTS
P. O. Box 3677
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3677
Phone (225) 342-4253, FAX (225) 342-9318
www.regents.la.gov

July 3, 2019

MEMORANDUM

TO: Directors, Offices of Research and Sponsored Programs

FROM: Carrie Robison, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs

RE: I. Availability of FY 2019-20 Board of Regents Support Fund Requests for Proposals
II. FY 2019-20 BoRSF Deadlines
III. Important Notices



I. AVAILABILITY OF FY 2019-20 BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS

Requests for proposals (RFPs) for FY 2019-20 are now available on the Sponsored Programs website (<https://web.laregents.org>) for the following Board of Regents Support Fund (BoRSF) competitive grant programs and subprograms: (1) Departmental Enhancement; (2) Research Competitiveness Subprogram (RCS), including One-Year RCS; (3) Industrial Ties Research Subprogram (ITRS), including Proof-of-Concept/Prototyping (PoC/P) Initiative; (4) Awards to Louisiana Artists and Scholars (ATLAS); (5) BoR/SREB Doctoral Support Initiative to Promote Student and Faculty Diversity; (6) Endowed Chairs for Eminent Scholars; (7) Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarships; and (8) Endowed Two-Year Student Workforce Scholarships. The current policy for non-competitive Endowed Professorships is also available on our website. We would appreciate your disseminating this notice as widely as possible on your campus.

Across all programs, the BoRSF seeks projects that, if funded, are likely to have clearly defined, significant benefits for Louisiana higher education and economic development. In 2016, the Board undertook a major restructuring of the BoRSF to better achieve these Constitutionally defined goals. Program changes implemented beginning with the FY 2017-18 cycle emphasize alignment of limited resources with campus role, scope, mission, and strategic priorities, as well as impact of project activities and plans to sustain or grow project benefits after short-term BoRSF funding has ended. It is critical that potential applicants to all programs carefully read RFPs in their entirety to understand the types of projects solicited and the realigned emphases of each program.

II. FY 2019-20 DEADLINES

A. Deadlines for Submission of NoIs/Full Proposals

September 11, 2019	Mandatory Notices of Intent: Industrial Ties Research & Research Competitiveness Subprograms
October 10, 2019	Mandatory Notices of Intent: Awards to Louisiana Artists and Scholars Subprogram
October 24, 2019	Proposals: Departmental Enhancement – Targeted & Comprehensive
October 31, 2019	Proposals: Industrial Ties Research Subprogram, including Proof-of-Concept/Prototyping (PoCP) Initiative; BoR/SREB Doctoral Support Initiative*
November 7, 2019	Proposals: Research Competitiveness Subprogram
November 21, 2019	Proposals: Awards to Louisiana Artists and Scholars
February 3, 2020	Proposals: Endowed Chairs for Eminent Scholars; Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarships; Endowed Two-Year Student Workforce Scholarships

* Note that the BoR/SREB proposal due date has changed. To assist campuses in recruitment of students for these awards, proposals will be reviewed in late fall and results released in February. For further information, see the RFP.

B. Deadline for Asking Questions about these RFPs: Tuesday, October 15, 2019

In accordance with R.S. 39:1503, a deadline of October 15, 2019 has been established for receipt of questions related to these RFPs. After this date, no further inquiries can be accepted. All questions posed and answers provided by Board staff are available on the Sponsored Programs website (https://web.laregents.org/downloads_page/frequently-asked-question/) and are updated on an ongoing basis until the deadline. Operating in this manner ensures that all potential applicants receive the same information.

III. IMPORTANT NOTICES

A. Program Changes: The Board of Regents approved major revisions to BoRSF program offerings for implementation in FY 2017-18 and beyond. See applicable requests for proposals for details about eligible activities and projects, submission requirements, and other information. **In addition, the deadline for submission of BoR/SREB Doctoral Support Initiative proposals has changed to allow for faster review and release of funding recommendations.**

B. Availability of LOGAN Submission Modules: Submission modules for all BoRSF subprograms will be available in LOGAN by **July 19, 2019**. Potential applicants should consult the appropriate RFP(s) for instructions to access the system. Note that LOGAN submission modules will close immediately following deadlines published in the RFPs. No submissions may be completed or changes made after published deadlines, and no extensions may be granted.

- C. Endowed Chairs RFP: Provisions in the Endowed Chairs policy to limit eligibility for campuses with high long-term vacancy rates are in effect. Campuses planning to develop proposals should consult the policy for information on how vacancy rates are calculated.

If you have any questions about this memorandum or the RFPs, please email the appropriate program manager(s), listed below:

Departmental Enhancement:

Mr. Bryan Jones (bryan.jones@laregents.edu)

Research and Development (RCS and ITRS):

Ms. Zenovia Simmons (zenovia.simmons@laregents.edu)

BoR/SREB Doctoral Support, ATLAS, and All Endowment Programs/Subprograms:

Ms. Carrie Robison (carrie.robison@laregents.edu)

General Questions:

Ms. Carrie Robison (carrie.robison@laregents.edu)

The Board of Regents Sponsored Programs staff greatly appreciates your assistance in disseminating the information in this memorandum and work to ensure proposals are submitted in accordance with BoRSF guidelines. Our staff looks forward to working with you in the upcoming competitive cycle.