

Sponsor/Title: Department of Energy (DOE) -- Fiscal Year 2026 Scientific Infrastructure Support for Consolidated Innovative Nuclear Research

Website: <https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/361023>

Funding Opportunity Number: DE-FOA-0003541

Submission Limitation per Institution: One (1)

Notre Dame Limited Submissions Listing:

<https://research.nd.edu/our-services/funding-opportunities/faculty/limited-submissions-program/>

Internal Expression of Interest Deadline: 2026-02-02

Sponsor Application Deadline: 2026-04-09

Note: *Topic Area: Notre Dame is eligible for Topic Area 2: General Scientific Infrastructure (GSI)*

Goals: The goals of this NOFO include:

1. Supporting, maintaining, or enhancing an institution's capacities to attract and teach high-quality students interested in nuclear energy-related studies;
2. Building an institution's research or education capabilities, and
3. Enhancing an institution's capabilities to perform R&D that is relevant to NE's broader mission.

Objectives: This NOFO shall establish and/or enhance nuclear research capabilities at U.S. universities and colleges, especially in support of:

1. Upgrading and improving U.S. university nuclear research and training reactors;
2. Obtaining equipment and instrumentation that significantly improves or expands the research, instruction, training capabilities, and/or operating capabilities; and
3. Contributing to strengthening the academic community's nuclear engineering infrastructure.

Required Internal Application: Upload the following information to the Google Form --

<https://forms.gle/u6K5fZTUsuGS1mBBA> by the internal deadline.

- Name of the Principal Investigator (PI)
- Project Title
- Names of ND Collaborators
 - For each ND Collaborator listed, include name, department or unit, and specific role for this project in three sentences (maximum).
- Project Summary (maximum of three (3) pages). The Project Summary must align with the Technical Review Criteria outlined in Section 2 and be responsive to Topic Area 2: *General Scientific Infrastructure (GSI)*, as described on page 26 of the [NOFO](#). The summary should address the following criteria:
 - Criterion 1: Impact
 - Criterion 2: Utilization
 - Criterion 4: Educational and/or Research Innovation

Questions? Contact Notre Dame Research Limited Submissions at limited@nd.edu.

Unless otherwise noted, all internal applications are due by 11:59 PM Eastern Time on the internal expression of interest deadline.

Internal applications submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.