Appendix: Survey questions

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Your feedback will be critical for making it easier to search for funding on nsf.gov. Responding is voluntary and should take about seven minutes to complete.

A federal agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number; the number for this is 3145-0215.

Q1: Have you ever used the Funding Search page on NSF.gov?

- Yes (go to page 2)
- No (go to page 9)

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Q2: How often do you use the funding search on NSF.gov?
- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- A few times a year

Q3: Which of the following best describes your primary role? Please read through all the options before making your selection. You may select more than one role

- Undergraduate student
- Graduate student
- Postdoctoral Fellow
- College or university faculty
- College or university lecturer
- College or university administrative staff or leadership
- Primary or secondary school teacher
- Government researcher
- Government administrator

- Nonprofit researcher
- Nonprofit administrator
- Private sector/ industry researcher
- Private sector/ industry administrator
- Small business owner/ entrepreneur
- NSF staff
- Other (please specify)

Q4: How do you learn about funding opportunities from NSF? Select all that apply.
- I go to the Funding & Awards at NSF page on NSF.gov
- I go to the funding search on Research.gov or Grants.gov
- My sponsored projects office sends them to me
- I receive communications from NSF directorates and divisions with information about funding opportunities
- Some other way (please specify)

Q5: NSF has significantly redesigned the look and feel of the funding search page since September 2021. When is the last time you used the funding search? It's ok if you're not certain-just make your best guess!
- Before September 2021 (go to page 9)
- After September 2021 (go to page 3)

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Q6: Have you ever applied for NSF Funding?
- Yes (go to page 4)
- No (go to page 5)

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Q7: Have you ever received NSF Funding?
- Yes (go to page 5)
- No (go to page 5)

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Q8: How would you rate your level of satisfaction with the funding search experience on NSF.gov as it is now?
- Very dissatisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Neutral
- Somewhat satisfied
- Very satisfied

Q9: Imagine you are using the pictured funding search?

Funding search

| Search | All fields ∨ | 🔍 Search | ⓘ |

683 results

This Funding Search contains only current opportunities. Archived funding opportunities are hosted at the legacy NSF website.

Please let us know what you think of the new search by completing a three-question survey, or by emailing us at beta-nsf-feedback@nsf.gov

Filter

| Limited submissions ∨ | Award type ∨ | Advancing diversity ∨ |
| Directorate ∨ | Division ∨ | Education level ∨ |

☐ Show only NSF-wide/cross-directorate opportunities (73)

Do you think it has:
- Far too few search filters
- Too few search filters
- Just the right number of search filters
- Too many search filters
- Far too many search filters
- Other (please specify)

Q10: Rank how likely you are to use each of the following search filters? With 1 being most likely to use
[this is an element that allows participants to drag and drop different answers into a ranking order]

- Limited Submissions
- Directorate
- Award Type
- Division
- Advancing Diversity
- Education Level

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Thank you for completing our survey! At this time, you can exit this page.