

# EAarly-concept Grants for Exploratory Research (EAGER) at NSF

The EAGER funding mechanism may be used to support exploratory work in its early stages on untested, but potentially transformative, research ideas or approaches. This work may be considered especially "high risk-high payoff" in the sense that it, for example, involves radically different approaches, applies new expertise, or engages novel disciplinary or interdisciplinary perspectives.

EAGER grants can be a real stepping stone for researchers early in their careers or a good option for a project that is in the back of the mind of a mid-career investigator. These types of proposals are not reviewed externally. The program officer makes the decision based on internal review only, so connection with the program and program officer are key success factors. Your knowledge of the process and the sort of projects that get funded are crucial to developing a successful strategy.

Should you take your project down the EAGER pathway? Find out during this insightful webinar.

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## **5 Key Take-Aways:**

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- ✓ How to develop an EAGER strategy
- ✓ The type of projects that are a good fit for EAGER
- ✓ Knowledge of the EAGER review process and mechanism for renewed funding
- ✓ Qualifying your proposal as high risk
- ✓ Examples of successful EAGER proposals

## **This Webinar is Perfect for PIs Who Want To:**

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- ✓ Know if their proposed research fits the EAGER criteria
- ✓ Determine if the proposed research does or does not “fit” into existing programs at the NSF
- ✓ Establish a connection with the program officer
- ✓ Identify focus areas aligned with NSF’s ideas of transformative research
- ✓ Scope the work and budget to fit NSF expectations

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