



**Division of
Environmental Biology
(DEB)
Virtual Office Hour**

Today's topic: CAREERs

Welcome to the DEB Virtual Office Hour.
We will begin soon.

Please submit questions via the Q&A button
available to you on ZOOM. Please set to
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Program Directors in attendance today

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Recent Solicitations and DCLs

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- DCL 20-050: Critical Aspects of Sustainability (CAS): Micro- and Nanoplastics EAGER proposals
- **NSF 20-525** – Faculty Early Career Development Program (CAREER) – **Deadline July 27**
- **NSF 19-584** - Opportunities for Promoting Understanding through Synthesis (OPUS)- **Deadline August 3**
- NSF 19-528 - CNH2: Dynamics of Integrated Socio-Environmental Systems (DISES)- **LOI September 17**
- DCL 20-038 Developing New Research Collaborations Between Evolutionary Biologists and LTER Scientists
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- DCL 20-033: Developing and Supporting the National Ecology Observatory Network (NEON) User Community
- NSF 20-532 – Enhancing Discovery through GEnomics Tools (EDGE) – **No deadline**



DEB Virtual Office Hour

- DEB Office Hours: second Monday of each month, 1-2 pm EST

Today: CAREERS

Upcoming Topics:

June 8: OPUS

July: Break

August 10: CNH2: Dynamics of Integrated Socio-Environmental Systems

September 14: Macrosystems Biology and NEON-Enabled Science (MSB-NES)



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CAREER proposals

- **NSF Solicitation 20-525** – submit to this solicitation, indicate a secondary review directorate and cluster/program
 - Foundation wide program, reviewed in topic-specific directorate
- Full proposal submission deadline: **27 July 2020**
- Supports early career faculty (e.g., pre-tenure), helps to build a foundation for a lifetime of leadership in research and education
 - Both research and teaching plans are outlined, integration of these important
- Only 1 proposal submitted at each competition, a total of 3 competitions may be entered by applicant
 - Must be un-tenured as of Oct. 1st following proposal submission
 - No previous CAREER award



CAREER proposals

- Contain all sections that one would see in a regular proposal
 - Intellectual merit, broader impacts, reporting on previous support, data management plans, etc.
- Has some unique aspects
 - Elaborated education plan, letter of support from department chair
 - Letter of support is not a letter of recommendation
- No co-PI on the cover page with submitter
 - This does not mean that no collaborators are allowed at all, refer to them and their letters of collaboration
- Proposals to BIO, minimum request is \$500,000



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