



REVISION OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF) AGENCY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS TO THE RESEARCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS

EFFECTIVE February 25, 2019

Effective February 25, 2019 grants made to institutions of higher education and non-profit organizations will incorporate by reference the *Research Terms & Conditions* dated March 14, 2017 and the *NSF Agency Specific Requirements* dated February 25, 2019. The *Research Terms & Conditions* will not be applied to NSF cooperative agreements or to NSF fellowship awards made to individuals.

Unless otherwise noted in a specific article, the *NSF Agency Specific Requirements* apply to all new NSF grants and funding amendments to existing NSF grants awarded on or after February 25, 2019 to institutions of higher education and non-profit organizations.

A summary of the changes is included below. Any questions regarding these changes may be directed to the Policy Office, Division of Institution and Award Support, at policy@nsf.gov.

Significant Change

- **Grantee Responsibilities and Federal Requirements, Article 12.** This article has been revised for consistency with the Uniform Guidance. The grantee is required to obtain NSF prior written approval for any project change specified in the *Research Terms and Conditions* Appendix A Prior Approval Matrix.

Clarifications and Other Changes

- **Overall Document.** Throughout the document, websites and references have been updated for consistency with the *Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide* and to reflect current information.
- **Format, Content and Timing of Technical Reporting, Article 8.** This article has been updated to include language stating that the submission of the Final Project Report and Project Outcomes Report for the General Public (POR) indicates that the research on the project is completed.