

# Limited Submissions

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Tufts University

## LIMITED SUBMISSION: NSF Innovation Corps - National Innovation Network Sites Program (I-Corps Sites)

**\*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE: THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS TO GIVE INTERESTED RESEARCHERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP TEAMS AND EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF SUBMITTING AN NRT FOR NEXT YEAR. THE OFFICIAL LIMITED SUBMISSION COMPETITION WILL BE HELD IN EARLY SUMMER\*\*\*\***

### DEADLINES:

**Tufts Internal Email of Intent Deadline:** *No current deadline.* Limited submission competition will be announced in early summer. Please contact the Limited Submissions Team at [limitedsubmissions@tufts.edu](mailto:limitedsubmissions@tufts.edu) with any questions.

**Sponsor Deadline:** February 14, 2019

NB: Successful applications must include official notification from the Limited Submissions Team in order to submit. For more information on the internal competition process, please see

<http://viceprovost.tufts.edu/resources/funding/limited-submissions/>

### PROGRAM PURPOSE:

- To encourage collaboration between industry and academia and facilitate the commercialization of research
- To provide infrastructure, advice, resources, networking opportunities, training and modest funding to enable groups to transition their work into the marketplace or into becoming [I-Corps Team applicants](#)
- To develop formal, active, local innovation ecosystems that contribute to a larger, national network of mentors, researchers, entrepreneurs and investors

### PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- A competitive proposal for an I-Corps Site will be led by an institution having an already existing unit whose goal is to assist faculty, students and other academic personnel to engage in entrepreneurial activities and transition scientific and technological innovations
- Must develop an institutional entrepreneurial unit, dedicated to working with research teams to find industry partners and commercializing research
  - Entrepreneurial unit will provide resources to research teams, including seed funding, space, mentoring, curriculum, access to technology, or other assets as may be necessary to transition technology to the marketplace.
  - Teams formed via an I-Corps Site must include an **Entrepreneurial Lead**, responsible for assessing the marketplace and determining which technologies or discoveries are potentially marketable, a **Mentor**, who will guide research teams through the commercialization process, and an **Academic Lead**, responsible for overall project management.
- Tufts is eligible for **Type I** funding, available to institutions that have not had prior funding as an I-Corps Site.
- Collaborative proposals (with other institutions) are discouraged

**ELIGIBILITY:** There are no restrictions or limits on who may serve as PI.

**AWARD INFORMATION:** Type I awards may request up to \$100,000 in funding for up to five years.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** <https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2016/nsf16547/nsf16547.htm>

**NOTE:** Program announcement instructions supersede instructions delivered in this document.