Alaska EPSCoR 2020 Seed Grant Review Criteria

Faculty Seed Grants

- Merit
  - Does the proposal have sufficient intellectual merit and rigor?

- Project Feasibility
  - Is the plan for carrying out the proposed activities well-reasoned, well-organized, and based on a sound rationale?
  - How well-qualified is the individual, team, or organization to conduct the proposed activities?
  - Are there adequate resources available to the team to carry out the proposed activities?

- Project Alignment
  - Is the project aligned with the relevant component of Fire and Ice and the mission of Alaska NSF EPSCoR to enhance Alaska’s research capacity?
  - Does the project demonstrate a commitment to increasing diversity?

- Compliance
  - Is the PI a full-time early- to mid-career UA faculty member?
  - Is the budget within the $20,000 limit?
  - Will the project run within the schedule window of Jan. 1 – Sept. 30, 2020?
  - Is the Project Description within the three-page limit?
  - Is the CV within the two-page limit?

Student Seed Grants

- Merit
  - Does the proposal have sufficient intellectual merit and rigor?
  - Does the student’s advisor support the project?

- Project Feasibility
  - Is the plan for carrying out the proposed activities well-reasoned, well-organized, and based on a sound rationale?
  - How well-qualified is the individual, team, or organization to conduct the proposed activities?
  - Are there adequate resources available to the team to carry out the proposed activities?

- Project Alignment
  - Is the project aligned with the relevant component of Fire and Ice and the mission of Alaska NSF EPSCoR to enhance Alaska’s research capacity?
  - Does the project demonstrate a commitment to increasing diversity?

- Compliance
  - Is the applicant a full-time UA student?
  - Is the budget within the $4,000 limit?
  - Will the project run within the schedule window of Jan. 1 – Sept. 30, 2020?
  - Is the Project Description within the two-page limit?
  - Is the CV within the two-page limit?
Education and Outreach Seed Grants

- Merit
  - Does the proposal have sufficient intellectual merit and rigor?
  - Is there evidence that the project follows known best practices in teaching and learning, OR does the project advance knowledge about such practices or more generally advance the field of teaching and learning?
  - Is there a plan to assess impacts of the activities?

- Project Feasibility
  - Is the plan for carrying out the proposed activities well-reasoned, well-organized, and based on a sound rationale?
  - How well-qualified is the individual, team, or organization to conduct the proposed activities?
  - Are there adequate resources available to the team to carry out the proposed activities?

- Project Alignment
  - Does the project align with the DEW goal of increasing STEM interest, practices and identity among Alaska Natives, women or other underrepresented groups at the K-12 of university level?
  - Does the project align with the scientific themes of the Fire and Ice project?
  - Does the project demonstrate a commitment to increasing diversity?

- Compliance
  - Is the PI a full-time early- to mid-career UA faculty or staff member?
  - Is the budget within the $10,000 limit?
  - Will the project run within the schedule window of Jan. 1 – Sept. 30, 2020?
  - Is the Project Description within the three-page limit?
  - Is the CV within the two-page limit?