

UA STEP Grant Process



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Pre-Proposal Process

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Pre-Proposal Qualifications

- Short-term training that will upgrade skills of Alaska's workforce with the latest national and state certifications and competencies in demand by employers in priority industries
- Targets adult workers who are Alaska residents, may be employed or employable, have worked in a job covered by UI in past five years, and who need training to improve prospects for obtaining or retaining employment
- Cannot exceed \$5,000 per participant (Note: Negotiations may be necessary between proposals to not exceed the UA systemwide allowance; typically, \$400K.)

University Points of Contact

UAA

- Bonnie Nygard, Director, Workforce Development

UAF

- Bryan Uher, Director, Interior Alaska Campus
- Michele Stalder, Dean, Community and Technical College

UAS

- Pete Traxler, Executive Dean, Career Education
- Priscilla Schulte, Director, Ketchikan Campus

Pre-Proposal Application & Timeline

- Application can be found at:
<https://www.alaska.edu/research/wd/funding/index.php>
- Complete and submit to your university point of contact by February 2, 2021
- UA Workforce Development Committee will review and select the pre-proposal(s) in partnership with the Provosts to participate in the UA STEP Grant Process

DOLWD STEP Grant Trainings

If selected to apply, the following trainings via teleconference are required (dates TBD):

- RGA and Application Overview – 1 hour
- EGrAMS Application Questions – 1 hour

Grant Submission Process

- Roles & Responsibilities
- Timeline

Application/Grant Support Roles & Responsibilities

- UA Workforce Development will provide budget coordination between applicants to not exceed the combined submission total (historically \$400K)
- Grants and Contracts (G&C) Offices at each university will assist in submitting one application per university to not exceed the combined submission total systemwide and provide pre- and post-award support

Applicant Roles & Responsibilities

- Attend meeting(s) as needed to coordinate grant submission
- Complete G&C's proposal packet
- Meet all identified timelines to apply

Submission Timeline

- DOLWD targets early spring to distribute the RGA
- Applicants will complete internal process to gather all content to complete the application one week prior to the due date (typically late February)
- DOLWD typically targets early March for submission of the grant

Notification Process & Timeline

Shortly after the start of the new fiscal year (July):

- DOLWD will notify the G&C Offices of the award status
- DOLWD completes their internal review of the grant agreement(s) that are signed by G&C Offices to fund the grant(s)
- G&C Offices receive funds and sets up the budgets in Banner

Grant Management

All grantees will be responsible for the following:

- Completing participant applications to confirm STEP eligibility
- Enter participant data and course information in DOLWD's grant management system (training is provided)
- Provide monthly reports, regardless if training occurs, and a final report
- Complete exit process for all participants

Grant Management (cont.)

If there is more than one grantee within a university (e.g., two projects are submitted and awarded in the single application), there will need to be coordination between grantees to enter all data for monthly reports and submitting the final report into DOLWD's management system

Questions?

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