

# Scholarships in STEM (S-STEM) 2023 Proposal Preparation Webinar



Hosted by the S-STEM Resource and Evaluation Center (REC)



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# Solicitation NSF 23-527

Deadlines: March 2, 2023 for Tracks 2, 3, & Collab Planning

March 29, 2023 for Track 1





# Summary of Program Changes and Important Info

- Maximum award amounts for Track 1 (now \$1,000,000) and Track 2 (now \$2,500,000) increased.
- Maximum scholarship amounts increased to \$15,000/year undergrad and \$20,000/year graduate (master's or Ph.D.)
- Maximum duration of scholarships increased to 5 years per degree.
- Scholarship Calculation: scholarships should meet students' unmet need, up to the max allowable amount. S-STEM remains a last-dollar scholarship.
- Involvement of Financial Aid Offices: must be part of determining the definition of low-income, scholars' eligibility, and scholarship amounts.
- Project Viability: proposers should demonstrate that comparable numbers of eligible students have enrolled in the disciplines/degrees.





https://beta.nsf.gov/funding/opportunities/nsf-scholarships-science-technology-engineering

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# **S-STEM REC Vision**

The AAAS S-STEM Resources & Evaluation Center (REC) seeks to cultivate a network of S-STEM stakeholders and further develop the infrastructure needed to promote the exchange of ideas, resources, opportunities, and knowledge related to the effective strategies and practices to increase the number of talented lowincome students obtaining degrees in STEM and entering the STEM workforce.

#### AAAS S-STEM REC Goals



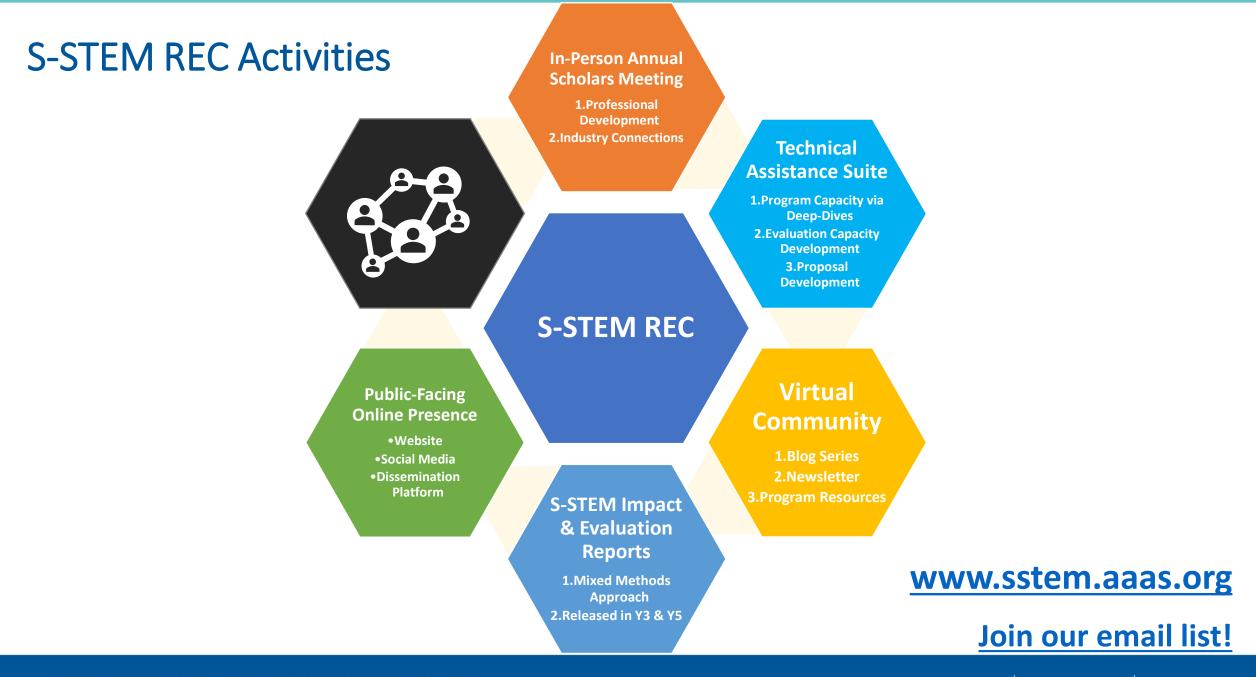
To **build the capacity of S-STEM Network programs** by identifying program leadership needs and supporting their growth by leveraging context-conscious support, communication, resources, and knowledge across S-STEM projects with the aim of increasing their program effectiveness.



To **build the capacity of S-STEM Scholars** through professional development and connection to career-building opportunities aimed at increasing their ability to successfully navigate pathways into the STEM workforce or graduate studies.



To **increase the effectiveness of the S-STEM portfolio** by synthesizing evidence of outcomes and impacts across the entire network and disseminating those findings to support evidence-based decision-making across the STEM ecosystem to increase the access and success of academically talented students with financial need.

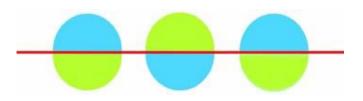


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### **Evaluation Capacity Development**

#### Facilitated by MN Associates, Inc

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- Nina de las Alas
- Debbie Igunbor, M.S.



- Audience: Prospective and current S-STEM PIs, Co-PIs, social science researchers, and evaluators
- Focus: generation of knowledge, research, and evaluation plans for proposals and ongoing grants for all Tracks

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## **Evaluation Capacity Development**

- Activities through March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023:
  - Generation of Knowledge and evaluation plan development webinars
    - Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>: <u>10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ET</u> and <u>4:00-5:30 p.m. ET</u>
  - FAQs and Resources on GoK and Evaluation (e.g., study plan, design, methodology, budget)
  - Email consultation to review and provide feedback on current proposals' GoK and evaluation plans
  - Request Eval Assistance: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/f09vRxMzvs</u>



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# **Open S-STEM Solicitation Q&A**





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# Thank You!

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