



**OFFICE OF
GRANTS AND CONTRACTS**

**CURRENT AND PENDING SUPPORT DOCUMENT
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)
SPONSORED RESEARCH PROPOSALS**

The purpose of this guidance is to assist faculty with the completion of the NSF Current & Pending Support section of their sponsored research proposals. NSF has provided instructions and the information here does not supersede any guidance from any sponsor, federal or non-federal.

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“NSF uses the information submitted in the current and pending support section to assess the capacity of the individual to carry out the research as proposed as well as to help assess any potential overlap/duplication with the project being proposed.” (See [NSF-Approved Formats for Current and Pending Support](#) for templates and updated FAQs.)

Per the [NSF PAPPG](#), *“current and pending support information must be separately provided through use of an NSF-approved format, for each individual designated as senior personnel on the proposal. Current and pending support includes all resources made available to an individual in support of and/or related to all of his/her research efforts, regardless of whether or not they have monetary value. Current and pending support also includes in-kind contributions (such as office/laboratory space, equipment, supplies, employees, students). In-kind contributions not intended for use on the project/proposal being proposed also must be reported.”* (See PAPPG Chapter II. Section C.1.h. Current Pending)

The table below lists examples of common types of support at Villanova, and when and where to disclose. If a time commitment or dollar value is not easily ascertainable, faculty should provide reasonable estimates.

FUNDS AND OTHER RESOURCES			
TYPE OF SUPPORT	DESCRIPTION	WHERE TO DISCLOSE	WHEN TO DISCLOSE
Appointments	Any titled academic, professional, or institutional position (foreign and domestic) paid or unpaid; whether full-time, part-time, voluntary, adjunct, visiting, guest, consulting, honorary, etc.	Appointment section of the Biosketch	Proposal, Annual Report
Research, training and/or education carried out with international counterparts	Research taking place either overseas or using virtual technologies	Cover Sheet, Project Narrative	Proposal
Foreign component on an NSF-funded research project	Funds distributed as a subaward or consultant arrangement – requires prior approval	Cover Sheet of the proposal	Proposal
Unfunded substantial international collaborations	Performance of a significant part of the NSF project, whether or not funds are expended	Facilities, Equipment and Other Resources, Letter of Collaboration (if allowed)	Proposal

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TYPE OF SUPPORT	DESCRIPTION	WHERE TO DISCLOSE	WHEN TO DISCLOSE
University resources including office/lab space, equipment, supplies, employees, students, etc	Resources provided by the University to support research activities of research faculty	Facilities, Equipment and Other Resources (when related to current project), Current and Pending Support (if not related to current project AND have associated time commitments)	Proposal, Annual Report
All resources and other support, domestic and foreign	For on-going research projects, including those conducted at a different institution	Facilities, Equipment and Other Resources (when related to current project), Current and Pending Support (if not related to current project)	Proposal, Annual Report
Post-doc, student, or visiting scholar supported by a foreign government or institution	Resources provided by another institution to support research activities of research faculty	Personnel report	Annual Report (when effort exceeds 1.00 month)
Sponsored Research Grants and Contracts*	May be awarded through Villanova or another institution, including cost share commitments	Current and Pending Support	Proposal, Annual Report
Income, salary, consulting fees, and honoraria	Funds provided by other institutions, companies, etc in support of the individual's research endeavors	Current and Pending Support	Proposal, Annual Report
In-kind contributions	Contributions from domestic and foreign institutions or governments that support research activities	Current and Pending Support	Proposal, Annual Report
Participation in a foreign talent or similar-type program	Compensation provided by the foreign state to a specific individual in exchange for the individual transferring knowledge and expertise to the foreign country	Current and Pending Support	Proposal, Annual Report

RESPONSIBILITY

* The Deployed Research Administrator (DRA) is responsible for updating and maintaining the *Sponsored Research Grants and Contracts* section of the Current and Pending Support document, provided Investigators allow sufficient time to prepare (see [Recommended Proposal Timeline](#) on the OG&C website).

Each Investigator is responsible for updating and maintaining information about all other types of support/resources with support from the Chair, Associate Dean/Dean, College Finance, and College-specific Director of grant Development. Given the government's interest in transparency, it is recommended that Investigators err on the side of disclosure.