NERC Standard and New Investigator Competition: Mid July 2019 Deadline

Royal Holloway is currently subject to a cap on the number of standard grant applications for each NERC funding round. For the round closing July the College is limited to ONE application. We therefore will need to run an internal process to select the most competitive application to go forward.

Please note that we have amended the process slightly as we are now limited to one application.

Expression of Interest (Deadline 5th April 2019)
- PI's planning to submit an application to NERC are requested to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) to researchservices@rhul.ac.uk by 5th April 2019. The format of the EOI is attached.
- EOIs will be reviewed at an internal College panel chaired by the Faculty Dean with a representative from SBS, Geography and Earth Sciences (Director Research or their nominee) with support from R&E.
- PIs will be invited to attend the review of their EOI to give a brief introduction to the project and take questions. PIs are welcome to bring members of their team who will be involved in the application.
- Applications will be assessed using the NERC assessment criteria.
- ONE EOI will be selected to be developed further to full proposal stage. PIs will be informed shortly after the review meeting.

Draft Proposal (Deadline 30th May 2019)
- The EOI selected at the previous stage should be developed as a draft proposal.
- The PI is requested to submit to researchservices@rhul.ac.uk by 30th May 2019 a complete draft including all sections of the Je-S form, attachments and a budget.
- The review panel will reconvene to review the draft proposals and provide feedback to assist in the development of the application.
- The PI and team will be invited to attend the review.
Final Sign off (Deadline 17th June 2019)

- The PI is requested to submit the final proposal to researchservices@rhul.ac.uk by 17th June 2019. Proposals should be ready to submit.
- The panel will review the final draft proposal and will give a final yes/no decision on whether the application is of sufficient quality to be submitted.

Submission to NERC July (exact date tbc)

Format for NERC internal Expression of Interest

1. Name of RHUL PI and Co-I

2. Type of proposal
   - Is this a joint/collaborative application? If so, with which other HEI and who is the lead?
   - Joint NSF/NERC proposal?

3. Summary of the project (max 4 sides of A4)
   - A brief version of the Case for Support

4. Impact Summary (max 1 side of A4)

5. Resource summary - Please give a ballpark summary of the resources to be requested and project budget. Please also consider the following:
   - Will any equipment >£10k be requested that requires match funding?
   - Are there any costs incurred that may not be eligible, e.g. refurbishment of existing equipment?

Please contact R&E for assistance with costing