Join NSF Program Director Julie Martin
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Demystifying the NSF: Tips from a Program Officer

Julie Martin, Program Director for Engineering Education in the Directorate for Engineering at NSF, will present an overview of NSF with the goal of helping current and aspiring principal investigators navigate the proposal preparation and submission process. Julie will discuss, among other topics: the structure of NSF, contacting and interacting with program officers, NSF’s merit review criteria, strategies for effective proposal writing, and thinking like a reviewer. By the end of the presentation, which will include ample time for questions, attendees will be able to answer the question, “What happens to my proposal once I submit it to NSF?”

Julie P. Martin is the Program Director for Engineering Education in the Directorate for Engineering at NSF. She manages a portfolio with an annual budget of approximately $20 million with nearly 250 active grants ranging in size from $200,000 to $2 million. These projects include nineteen, $2 million Revolutionizing Engineering Department (RED) grants, which support teams that serve as national exemplars of organizational culture change. Julie also manages the Research in the Formation of Engineers (RFE) program, the Research Initiation in Engineering Formation (RIEF) program, as well as the engineering education CAREER program. In addition to her programmatic work at NSF, she recently worked on an interagency group headed by the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy with members from 15 federal agencies to write the 5-Year STEM Education Strategic Plan for the federal government. Julie considers her most important work as a Program Director to be cultivating a network of researchers who care deeply about improving educational experiences of students.