



Exclusive Opportunity for NASA EPSCoR NASA SMD Proposal Writing Workshop for EPSCoR Researchers

About the Workshop: The success of scientists depends upon their ability to obtain funding. One of the largest challenges is to create strong proposals. Using Research Opportunities in Space and Earth Sciences (ROSES) from NASA Science Mission Directorate as a template, this presentation will focus on teaching the audience key points to communicating science through successful proposal writing. As a result of this session, participants will be able to understand the proposal writing, reviewing, and selection process for federally funded research.

Format: The workshop will be held over two days and two workshop options will be offered: one held on Monday & Wednesday and one held on Tuesday & Thursday. Attendees must complete a short pre-work assignment in advance of the first session and will be asked to complete another short homework assignment between the first and second sessions. Instructions for both assignments will come directly from the facilitators.

Workshop 1: 30 attendees max

Session 1a: Monday, November 16, 2020, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm EST

Session 1b: Wednesday, November 18, 2020, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm EST

Workshop 2: 30 attendees max

Session 2a: Tuesday, November 17, 2020, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm EST

Session 2b: Thursday, November 19, 2020, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm EST

Eligibility to Participate: Each of the 28 jurisdictions can sign up one researcher for each of the two workshop cohorts. This means you have one guaranteed seat in each of the two workshop cohorts. Each jurisdiction also has the option of nominating one alternate attendee should any additional seats become available. The alternate must be available for both the Monday/Wednesday and the Tuesday/Thursday workshop, as we will not know in advance where extra seats will appear.

Registration: We are collecting attendee information via a Microsoft OneDrive shared document.

Please follow this link and register one attendee for each session no later than November 4, 2020 (and optionally, list an alternate). The document is divided into tabs: Tab 1 is for your researcher who is attending the Monday/Wednesday session; Tab 2 is for your researcher who is attending the Tuesday/Thursday session; Tab 3 is for your optional alternate, who must be able to make either workshop. **Only the jurisdiction NASA EPSCoR Director/Office can submit registrations (not individual researchers).** Access to the registration doc will close on November 4th, so please plan to get this info together and entered in time.

Facilitator Bios included on the next page. For general questions about this workshop and/or the registration process, please contact Colleen H. Fava (colleenf@lsu.edu), Assistant Director of the LA NASA EPSCoR program.

Workshop Facilitators

Dr. **Christina R. Richey** is the Program Manager of the Planetary Science Research and Analysis Office



at Jet Propulsion Laboratory. Dr. Richey provides guidance on the proposal process for the section and division, and trains researchers within the community on best practices for proposal submission and review. Christina is additionally an affiliate on the Europa Clipper Mission. Prior to joining NASA JPL, Christina worked at NASA HQ as a Program Officer and the Deputy Science Advisor for R&A. In addition to their scientific activities, Dr. Richey has held several leadership positions and has actively engaged in education and public outreach

opportunities. Christina is an accomplished leader and award winner in their field in dealing with anti-harassment policies and procedures and has been cited by major news agencies for their efforts within the community to create safe, inclusive environments. Dr. Richey is currently serving as Past Chair and member of the American Astronomical Society (AAS) Committee on the Status of Women in Astronomy and was previously the co-Chair of the AAS Division for Planetary Sciences (DPS) Professional Culture and Climate Subcommittee.

Mr. **Paul Propster** is a seasoned storyteller, strategy-lover, line-blurrer, dot-connector, message-driven



professional. With more than 25 years in strategic communications, Paul has helped clients across industries to tell their stories. From small businesses to energy and technology to NASA, he partners with teams to cultivate a narrative of “the why” that produces greater emotional investment in stakeholders. Since 2014, Paul has been the resident “storytelling architect” for NASA’s Jet Propulsion Lab’s Office of Formulation, spearheading the development and establishment of storytelling processes and tools. Also, as Associate Program Manager of JPL’s Office of Strategic Planning, he co-led the

development and delivery of the 2018 Strategic Implementation Plan, JPL’s vision for exploring space in pursuit of scientific discoveries that benefit humanity.