

## 2021 EPSCoR Conference and Development Award Solicitation

**Deadline: March 5, 2021**

The Alaska NSF EPSCoR Fire & Ice project announces the availability of funding for UA-affiliated individuals to present their research, to interact with colleagues and mentors, and/or to obtain training in science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics (STEAM) fields. Awards are available to support individuals working directly in STEAM fields as well as individuals doing education, outreach or education research related to STEAM fields. Awards can be used to fund travel to, or remote participation in, conferences, workshops, trainings, or other appropriate academic activities. Priority will be given to junior faculty and graduate students and to proposals related to [Fire & Ice](#) Boreal, Coastal or DEW program goals. However, we strongly encourage applications from across all STEAM disciplines.

**Amount and duration of awards:** Awards are available for up to \$3,500 and cover domestic travel only (remote participation in international events is allowed.) Travel and/or participation can commence on March 14, 2021 and must be completed by September 1, 2021.

**Eligibility:** An eligible applicant must

- be affiliated with a UA campus when the application is submitted and when the event occurs; and
- present a poster or paper at a professional meeting in his/her field of study, receive technical training, or attend a workshop or training event that supports research, education or outreach in a STEAM field.

### **Award Conditions:**

- Awardee will adhere to all UA COVID-19 regulations.
- Awardee will work with their appropriate travel and/or procurement department and follow their internal departmental procedures.
- Awardee will confirm prior approval, and make any arrangements with their department.
- Awardee will initiate related expense reports, if needed, within 15 days of trip completion.
- Awardee will provide timely copies of travel/registration documents to Alaska EPSCoR upon request.

Within 15 days of completion of travel or event, awardee must submit a brief (1 page maximum) summary report and relevant photo to [ua-epscor@alaska.edu](mailto:ua-epscor@alaska.edu) outlining the purpose of the participation, the nature of the event, and how it benefited the awardee and the University of Alaska. Any materials presented at the event or resulting from this award must include the following language: "This material is based upon work supported by the National Science Foundation under award #OIA-1757348 and the State of Alaska."

**Application Process:** Use our [online form](#) to apply for the awards. The application deadline is midnight AKDT March 5, 2021. Contact Tara Borland at (907)474-6288 or [taborland@alaska.edu](mailto:taborland@alaska.edu) with any questions.

**Review Process:** Applications will be reviewed by Alaska EPSCoR leadership. Preference will be given to applicants who:

- optimize travel and participation opportunities by meeting multiple professional development objectives, such as presenting research, engaging with mentors, and/or obtaining technical training as part of their participation;
- contribute to the Alaska EPSCoR mission of increasing diverse participation in STEAM-related fields;
- present at an event that contributes to University of Alaska research goals; and/or
- attend an event to learn methods essential to the advancement of University of Alaska research.

Awards will be announced on [March 10, 2021](#).