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Call for Proposals: Innovation Accelerator Participation Awards

Release date: February 1, 2022
Deadline to apply: March 15, 2022
Period of Performance: March 15 - August 15, 2022
Award Amount: \$2500

To accompany the launch of its Innovation Accelerator, UAF's Center for Innovation, Commercialization, and Entrepreneurship (Center ICE) is soliciting proposals for \$2,500 minigrants to sponsor University of Alaska faculty, staff, or students to participate in the Innovation Accelerator. Awards must be used by awardees to bring an innovation through any one or more of the components of the Innovation Accelerator, which are:

- ideation,
- seed funding for prototype development,
- customer discovery to align the innovation with real-world needs,
- gap funding where traditional funding is not available,
- IP protection,
- <u>pitch competition</u> preparation or participation,
- <u>SBIR/STTR</u> proposal preparation,
- commercialization support, and
- accessing physical space.

To learn more about the Innovation Accelerator including these programs and resources, visit www.alaska.edu/centerice or contact Evelyn Jacome at edjacome@alaska.edu. Interested individuals are encouraged to communicate with Ms. Jacome in order to best align their proposal with this funding opportunity.

Proposal requirements:

- Eligibility: All faculty, staff, and students from any campus of UAF, UAA, or UAS.
- <u>Length limit</u>: Proposals should not exceed three pages of 12pt font and should be submitted as a PDF document.
- Anticipated Number of Awards: 6
- <u>Proposal Requirements</u>: Proposal narratives must not exceed 3 pages of size 12 font; this does not include the budget. Proposal narratives must identify:
 - The idea or innovation
 - The current status of the innovation
 - Which component(s) of the Innovation Accelerator will be involved in the project
 - The project's scope of work
 - How success will be measured for this project
 - o A list of key personnel including a very brief biography of each, and
 - A budget narrative.



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- <u>Deadline and Schedule</u>: The deadline to submit proposals is March 15, 2022. All expenses and activities must be completed on or before August 15, 2022.
- Budget and Anticipated Funding Amount: Proposals should be accompanied by a budget request that does not exceed \$2500. F&A will be retained by Center ICE and should not be included in the budget. Please contact Ms. Jacome with any questions.
- <u>How to Submit</u>: Proposals must be submitted by email to Evelyn Jacome at edjacome@alaska.edu.

This Request for Proposals is supported by the Office of Naval Research and is a program of Center ICE.