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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

Guam NSF-EPSCoR's ECORE Seed Funding Grant

Submission Deadline: March 31, 2026 (1700H CHamoru Standard Time)

Guam NSF-EPSCoR's Collaborations for Optimizing Research Ecosystems (ECORE) project, "Optimizing Research Infrastructure in Guam (ORIG)", will offer seed funding awards for 2026-2027. We are seeking research proposals from faculty members, post-doctoral fellows and researchers from the University of Guam, and from other researchers within Guam's community. Guam NSF-EPSCoR seed funding awards will include support for developing collaborative projects across Guam's research ecosystem. Proposals should describe hypothesis-driven research projects that align with at least one of the five (5) opportunity areas (Aquaculture; IT/Data Science/Cybersecurity; Energy; Natural Resources/Sustainable Development; Additive Manufacturing) outlined in the [Guam Science and Technology Plan](https://guamepscor.uog.edu/guam-science-technology-plan/) (<https://guamepscor.uog.edu/guam-science-technology-plan/>).

Seed funding grant awards will be \$50,000 each. Successful proposals will be selected based upon relevance to emergent science, research quality, and a demonstrated potential to achieve significant results that could lead to future grant proposal submissions and peer reviewed publications. Awardees will have one year from the award date to complete a project and grants are anticipated to start in June 2026.

Applicants should submit a five (5) page proposal that includes a concise statement describing the project, the hypothesis or problem addressed, how the project aligns with the Guam Science and Technology Plan, anticipated outcome(s) of this research, a timeline for planning and research. Additional documents required are a 1-page project summary, references cited, and an itemized budget with justification. Proposal applications should be submitted no later March 31, 2026 (1700H Chamorro Standard Time).

Proposals should be submitted to Ms. Janet (Jan) Dirige, Project Administrator (jtdirige@uog.edu). Please use the subject line "Guam ECORE Seed Funding Proposal".

For more information about Guam NSF-EPSCoR and ECORE, please visit www.guamepscor.uog.edu.

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