

NSF recently announced a new Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (NSF 11-1) that is effective as of **January 18, 2011**. Significant changes are highlighted below.

Proposals submitted, or due, on or after January 18, 2011

Chapter II.C.2.j, Special Information and Supplementary Documentation – Required Data Management Plan - All proposals must describe plans for data management and sharing of the products of research, or assert the absence of the need for such plans. Fastlane will not permit submission of a proposal that is missing the Data Management Plan. If the project is not expected to generate data or samples, it is acceptable to state this assertion; however, the statement will be subject to peer review. Links to data management requirements and plans relevant to specific Directorates, Offices, Divisions, Programs, or other NSF units (*e.g.*, ENG, GEO, SBE, SES,...) are provided and must be followed. The Data Management Plan will be reviewed as part of the intellectual merit or broader impacts of the proposal, or both, as appropriate.

References

NSF Proposal Guide:

http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappguide/nsf11001/gpg_index.jsp

NSF Award Guide:

http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappguide/nsf11001/aag_index.jsp

Summary of Significant Changes:

<http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappguide/nsf11001/>

Required Data Management Requirements Per NSF Directorate or Division:

- [Engineering Directorate \(ENG\)](#)
- Geological Sciences Directorate (GEO)

- [Division of Earth Sciences](#)
- [Integrated Ocean Drilling Program](#)
- [Division of Ocean Sciences](#)
- Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences Directorate (SBE)
- [Data Archiving Policy](#) for the Division of Social and Economic Sciences (SES)

Princeton University DataSpace: <http://dataspace.princeton.edu>