

September 26, 2023

NIH Academic Research Enhancement Award (AREA) Institutional Eligibility Verification

This letter is to verify that Texas State University is eligible to apply for an Academic Research Enhancement Award as required by NIH Funding Opportunity Announcements PAR-21-155 and PAR-21-154.

By signing below, I certify that Texas State is an accredited public institution of higher education that grants baccalaureate degrees in biomedical sciences, and at the time of application, all non-health professional components of the institution together have not received more than \$6M in NIH support in four of the last seven years. I also certify that each of the six non-health professional components listed below has a greater undergraduate student enrollment than graduate student enrollment.

College of Applied Arts  
College of Business  
College of Education  
College of Fine Arts and Communication  
College of Liberal Arts  
College of Science and Engineering

Additionally, I certify that the PD(s)/PI(s) has/have a primary appointment in one of the non-health components listed above.

If you have any questions regarding eligibility, please contact Ms. Evy Gonzales, Director of Strategic Research Initiatives, at (512) 245-2314 or via email at [eg13@txstate.edu](mailto:eg13@txstate.edu).

Sincerely,



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