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PURPOSE

This policy establishes consistent practices for the use of bridge funding at Creighton University. Bridge funding is restricted to Principal Investigators who have obtained at least one National Institutes of Health (NIH) R01 grant, or National Science Foundation, Department of Defense, or other federal grants. Renewals of these grants must have been scored by the sponsor's review panel but failed to receive a fundable score.

POLICY

Principal Investigators must submit an application for bridge funding to the Provost just after the R01 or other federal grant renewal review is complete. Only federal research project grants that can be competitively renewed qualify for eligibility. The PI may apply for bridge funds after the first review.

The bridge funding application must include the grant, summary statement, one-page introduction section (to be submitted with the amended application), and letter of support from Department Chair. Bridge funding is limited to \$100,000 per project, excluding Principal Investigator salary.

To receive bridge funding, Principal Investigators must agree to apply for additional federal funding with an amended application. Principal Investigators who delay submission of a competitive renewal application, leading to loss of funding, will not be considered for bridge funds.

If approved, bridge funding is awarded after the no cost-extension (if any) at the end of the R01 or other federal award. Bridge funding is limited to one year. Principal Investigators may reapply if needed to extend to a second year.