



# FY 21 Grant Competition American History And Civics Education - National Activities (AHC-NA)

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U.S. Department Of Education  
Office of Elementary And Secondary Education  
Effective Educator Development Division  
**Closing Date: August 18, 2021 @ 11:59:59 pm**  
**Washington, DC time**

# Note About These Slides

- The official document for this AHC – NA grant competition is the Notice Inviting Applications (NIA) published in the Federal Register on July 19, 2021. Applicants should refer to this document for official application and submission instructions.
- The slides presented on this webinar are used to provide guidance only. Applicants may download these slides from the AHC-NA webpage.
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to download the AHC-NA NIA, AHC-NA Application Instructions Package and other program resources from the AHC – NA program webpage listed below.

<https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-discretionary-grants-support-services/effective-educator-development-programs/american-history-and-civics-National-Activities/>



# Agenda for This Webinar

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I. AHC-A Program Purpose and Funding Legislation

II. Eligible Applicants

III. FY 21 Program Priorities

V. Selection Criteria, GPRA & Application Scoring

**VI. Budget Requirements**



# AHC-National Activities Program Costs

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# AHC-NA Program Costs...

- must be allowable, allocable and reasonable for the implementation and operation of the proposed project;
- must be allowed under the AHC-NA program statute and/or OMB circulars;
- must be specifically for the operation of the proposed project, not for the IHE or the organization as whole;
- must be comparable to market prices or established rates for similar types of work; and
- must be spent annually according to your annual budget to avoid large sums of carryover or unused funds which could be returned to Treasury.



# Indirect Cost Rate (ICR)

- AHC-NA uses the training rate of 8 percent. Your ICR must not exceed 8 percent.
- If you do not have a federal ICR agreement, you may claim the 8 percent ICR until you get an official agreement.
- **ICR Questions:** Please email questions to [IndirectCostGroup@ed.gov](mailto:IndirectCostGroup@ed.gov)



# Preparing Your Budget And Budget Narrative

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# AHC-NA Budgets

- Applicants must use the ED 524 Budget form to submit a budget summary request **for all three years** of the proposed project.
- Applicants must also submit a budget narrative **for all three years** of the proposed project that explains the requested award amount.
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to use the optional budget narrative template found on the AHC-NA webpage.
- The Department will not make an award exceeding \$500,000 to any applicant per 12-month budget period.
- Include realistic annual budgets that are spent on time and on target to help promote fiscal responsibility and avoid large annual carryover amounts.





# EED Budget Narrative Template

Section A: Budget Summary - U.S. Department of Education Funds	<b>American History and Civics - Academies Program</b>					
<u>Name of Institution/Organization:</u>						
Budget Categories	Project Year 1	Project Year 2	Project Year 3	Project Year 4	Project Year 5	Total
1. Personnel						\$ -
2. Fringe Benefits						\$ -
3. Travel						\$ -
4. Equipment:						\$ -
5. Supplies:						\$ -
6. Contractual:						\$ -
7. Performance Based Compensations (if applicable)						\$ -
8. Other:						\$ -
<b>9. Total Direct Costs: (lines 1-8)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
10. Indirect Costs						\$ -
11. Training Stipends						\$ -
<b>12. Total Costs (lines 9-11)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

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**Section A**
Section B
Section C
Section D
Section E
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# Budget Narrative Should...

- present and justify all expenses required to achieve the goals and objectives of the proposed project;
- provide an adequate justification of all project costs and link them back to project objectives; and
- be realistic and request only what is necessary and reasonable to implement the proposed project.



# AHC-NA Competition Resources

## Program Webpage:

<https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-discretionary-grants-support-services/effective-educator-development-programs/national-activities-grant/>

- FY 21 AHC-NA Notice Inviting Applications (NIA)
- FY 21 AHC-NA Application Instructions Package
- FY 21 Applicant Information Webinars
- AHC-NA EED Budget Narrative Template

**QUESTIONS:** Email questions to [AmericanHistoryandCivics@ed.gov](mailto:AmericanHistoryandCivics@ed.gov)



# AHC-NA Competition Reminders

- **Closing Date: August 18, 2021 at 11:59:59 p.m., Washington, DC time**
- Late applications WILL NOT be reviewed
- FY 21 Intent to Apply Due Date: **July 30, 2021**
- Send Intents to Apply to: [AmericanHistoryandCivics@ed.gov](mailto:AmericanHistoryandCivics@ed.gov)
- All applications must be submitted electronically using **Grants.gov**
- Grants.gov Help Desk: **1-800-519-4726**



# AHC-NA APPLICATION APPENDICES

- Appendix A:** Demonstrates a Rationale: (Logic Model)
- Appendix B:** Documentation of its organization's demonstrated expertise in the development of evidence-based approaches with the potential to improve the quality of American history, civics and government, or geography learning and teaching
- Appendix C:** Resumes of Key Personnel
- Appendix D:** Current Approved Indirect Cost Rate Agreement, as applicable.
- Appendix E:** Other documents, as applicable, for example, sources of the matching funds, letters of support and/or partnerships.
- Appendix F:** Proprietary Information (Eligible Applicants should identify any specific proprietary information and page numbers in the application where it can be found.)





# **Thank You for your interest in the AHC-National Activities grant program!**

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**Best wishes on a successful AHC-NA application submission!**

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