**NSF BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH, Updated 11/3/22**

In the latest NSF Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG) (NSF 22-1), effective October 4, 2021, Chapter II.C.2.f, Biographical Sketches, has been revised to increase the **page limit for biographical sketch(es) to three pages.** This section also has been updated to include reference to a new table entitled [NSF Pre-award and Post-award Disclosures Relating to the Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending Support](https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/disclosures_table/june2021.pdf). The table has been developed to assist users in completion of these sections of the proposal.

The PAPPG requires that publication citations "include full citation information, including (where applicable and practicable) the names of all authors..." Senior personnel that wish to include publications in the products section of the biographical sketch that include multiple authors may, at their discretion, choose to list one or more of the authors and then "et al." in lieu of including the complete listing of authors' names. See PAPPG Chapter II.C.2.f(i)(c) for complete coverage of the requirements for the biographical sketch.

The PAPPG also requires senior personnel to list "all the individual's academic, professional, or institutional appointments, beginning with the current appointment." With regard to professional appointments, senior personnel must identify all current domestic or foreign professional appointments outside of the individual's academic, professional, or institutional appointments at the proposing organization.

Individuals designated as senior personnel (See [Exhibit II-3](https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappg22_1/pappg_2.jsp#2ex3) **for the definitions of** Senior Personnel) **now MUST use SciENcv to prepare their Biosketches**. Biosketches previously created in Word or other software systems may not be used even if they appear to comply with the new NSF-approved format requirements. NSF has partnered with the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to use [SciENcv: Science Experts Network Curriculum Vitae](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sciencv/) as the only NSF-approved format for use in preparation of the biographical sketch section of an NSF proposal. [SciENcv](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sciencv/) will produce an NSF-compliant PDF version of the biographical sketch. Proposers must save these documents and send them to the Office of Sponsored Research. We will then upload them and submit them as part of their proposals via Research.gov or Grants.gov. See [FAQs on using SciENcv](https://www.research.gov/common/attachment/Desktop/SciENcv-FAQs.pdf).

SciENcv users can create SciENcv profiles using the data stored in their **ORCID** records. By linking an ORCID account to an NCBI account, users are able to create SciENcv profiles using the personal statement, education, employment, publications and research awards information stored in ORCID records. (More on how to do this below.)

If you have an ORCID account you may link ORCID to your SciENcv Biosketch and you can choose which items you would like from ORCID to prepopulate your Biosketch (see <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G_cKSRr7TJ4>) for a demonstration on how to do this. Or you can find step-by-step instructions at <https://www.lib.ncsu.edu/sciencv-for-biosketches>.