



**TRIVIUM CONSULTING:  
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY BRIEF**



**National Science Foundation**

**Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) Research Initiation Initiative (CRII)**

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<http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2014/nsf14562/nsf14562.htm>

**SUBMISSION DEADLINES**

**Proposal Deadline:** September 24, 2014

**FUNDS AVAILABLE**

**Estimated Number of Awards:** 25 to 30. CISE expects to make 25 to 30 awards each year.

**Anticipated Funding Amount:** \$3,500,000 to \$4,500,000. CISE expects the total funding to be between \$3.5 Million to \$4.5 Million each year, depending on the availability of funds.

**PROGRAM SUMMARY**

Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) will award grants to initiate the course of one's independent research. One may not yet have received any other grants in the Principal Investigator (PI) role from any institution or agency, including from the CAREER program or any other award post-PhD. Serving as co-PI, Senior Personnel, Post-doctoral Fellow, or other Fellow does not count against this eligibility rule. It is expected that these funds will allow the new CISE Research Initiation Initiative PI to support one or more graduate students for up to two years.

PIs should be aware that reviewers will be asked to consider the following: 1) the appropriateness of the research objectives for the relatively short duration of the CRII award; 2) the potential of the research initiation activities to produce sufficient preliminary results to serve as the basis for future competitive research proposals; and 3) whether the activities are seen to be the necessary and critical steps for the PI to achieve research independence. Early-career researchers who are themselves members of underrepresented groups are especially encouraged to apply. Underrepresented groups include the following: women, persons with disabilities, and ethnic/racial groups that are in the minority in computer and information science and engineering, specifically African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Alaska Natives, and Pacific Islanders.

**ELIGIBILITY**

**Proposals may only be submitted by the following:** Universities and Colleges - Universities and two- and four-year colleges (including community colleges) accredited in, and having a campus located in, the US acting on behalf of their faculty members. Such organizations also are referred to as academic institutions.

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