Letters of Intent (LOI)
The Institute of Education Sciences (IES) asks all applicants to submit a letter of intent by 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time on the relevant due date for the competition to which they plan to submit. The information in the letters of intent enables Institute staff to identify the expertise needed for the scientific peer review panels and secure sufficient reviewers to handle the anticipated number of applications. IES encourages all interested applicants to submit a letter of intent, even if they might later decide not to submit an application. The letter of intent is not binding and does not enter into the review of a subsequent application. When you submit a Letter of Intent, one of the Institute’s Program Officers will contact you regarding your proposed research to offer assistance.

The due dates for the letters of intent for applications with application deadlines of August 6 & 20, 2015 are listed in the tables below. Submit your LOI at https://iesreview.ed.gov. Receipt of the LOI will be acknowledged via email.

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   The letter of intent should include:
   1) Descriptive title
   2) Topic and goal that you will address
   3) Brief description of the proposed project
   4) Name, institutional affiliation, address, telephone number and e-mail address of the Principal Investigator and any Co-Principal Investigators
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84.305B – Research Training Programs in the Education Sciences
- Pathways to the Education Sciences Research Training Program | May 21, 2015 | August 20, 2015

**The Letter of Intent for 84.305B should include:**

**A. Content**

The letter of intent should include:

1) Descriptive title
2) Topic (Pathways Research Training Program)
3) Brief description of the proposed training program
4) Name, institutional affiliation, address, telephone number and e-mail address of the Principal Investigator and any Co-Principal Investigators
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84.305C – Education Research and Development Center Program
- Virtual Learning | May 21, 2015 | August 20, 2015

**The Letter of Intent for 84.305C should include:**

**A. Content**

The letter of intent should include:

1) Descriptive title
2) R&D Center Topic (Virtual Learning)
3) Brief description of the proposed R&D Center
4) Name, institutional affiliation, address, telephone number and e-mail address of the Principal Investigator and any Co-Principal Investigators
5) Name and institutional affiliation of any key collaborators and contractors
6) Duration of the proposed R&D Center (attend to the Duration maximums for each topic)
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  - Early Career Statistical and Research Methodology Grants |

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- The letter of intent should include:
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  2) Topic (Early Career)
  3) Brief description of the proposed project
  4) Name, institutional affiliation, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of the Principal Investigator and any Co-Principal Investigators
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