

Change Request Justification for Select Instructions in 0925-0001

I. Biosketch Format and Instructions

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Personal Statement B. Positions and Honors C. Contributions to Science D. Research Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consolidation of separate Career and Fellowship biosketch instructions into the General biosketch instructions. • Extensive changes for clarity- Using shorter sentences, bullets and shorter paragraphs • Integrating instructions for institutional research training, institutional career development, or research education grant applications into the main biosketch instructions • Clarifying that the URL for a publication list is optional (as always intended, and conveyed in the FAQ) • Clarifications to ensure junior applicants can better describe their productivity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Clarifying that research products can include conference proceedings such as meeting abstracts, posters or other presentations ○ Clarifying that people can mention in-progress products (e.g. manuscripts under review) in the narrative for Section C, but not cite them as one of their citations ○ These citations do not have to be authored by you, but do have to be relevant to your contribution. • Policy/instruction tweaks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Minimize overstuffing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Disallowing inclusion of graphics, figures and tables (also not supported by SciENCv) ▪ Adding overstuffing warnings to Sections A and C ○ Requesting people add other names that used to author research products in section A ○ Citation instructions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Adding research products as allowable citations to section A to correspond with their allowance in Section C ▪ Allowing non-peer reviewed publications to be included to correspond with the allowance of other non-peer reviewed research products (from ‘reference |

up to four peer-reviewed publications or other non-publication research products' to 'cite up to four publications or research products')

- o Deleting the requirement that the past 3 years of research support are listed in order of relevance. This requirement adds complexity for the applicant and systems, while not adding much benefit to the reviewer.
- o If applicant provides a URL to their publications, it must be on a federal (.gov) website
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See Attachment A for revised text.

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