



## HSI Grant Types

The University of Arizona was federally designated as a Hispanic Serving Institution in Spring 2018, having reached the 25% undergraduate Hispanic enrollment requirement. The UA was the first four-year public university in the state of Arizona to become an HSI and one of 16 R1 HSIs across the nation.

HSI Grant RFPs generally fall into three categories:

**HSI Required:** These grant opportunities are exclusive to HSIs and require proof that the university is an HSI. A digital copy of proof from the U.S. Department of Education can be provided upon request. Direct inquiries to Marla Franco, Assistant Vice Provost, HSI Initiatives, [marlafranco@email.arizona.edu](mailto:marlafranco@email.arizona.edu).

**HSI Encouraged:** These grant opportunities are not exclusive to HSIs, but highly encourage HSIs to apply. Requests for proposals may include language encouraging “Minority Serving Institutions”, which is inclusive of HSIs. Proof of HSI status may or may not be required. Minority or underrepresented students are often expressed as a targeted population of interest.

**Intentionally Involves Minority Students:** These grant opportunities are not exclusive to HSIs, but they explicitly call for or encourage the engagement of minority or underrepresented students (e.g., first generation, Pell grant recipient/low income). Engagement of these students should be coupled with asset-based recruitment strategies, culturally relevant learning experiences, inclusive mentoring practices, and much more.

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