

Western Space Catalyst Program Rubric

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| Applicant: | |
| Link to proposal: | |
| Date: | |
| Title: | |
| Proposed Budget: | |
| Proposed Start date: | |
| Proposed End date: | |

| | 1 (poor) | 2 (average) | 3 (good) | 4 (excellent) | Total |
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| Project Scope This criterion evaluates the scope and overall objective(s) of the proposed project. | The project scope and objective(s) are poorly defined. | The project scope and objective(s) are moderately defined. | The project scope and objective(s) are well-defined defined. | The project scope and objective(s) are poorly defined. | |
| Potential Impacts to Institute Research Priorities This criterion evaluates whether the project addresses any of the Institutes strategic research priorities. | The relevance to the strategic research priorities is not apparent. | There is some attempt to link to strategic research priorities. | The relevance to the strategic research priorities is clear and coherently expressed. | The project description is highly relevant to the strategic research priorities. | |
| Feasibility This criterion assesses the overall feasibility of the proposed concept. It evaluates how appropriate, realistic, and effective the proposed methodology and approach are for achieving the goals of the proposed work. | The proposed work is either unrealistic or does not include sufficient detail. | The proposed work plan is realistic, but unclear if all work will be completed during the duration. | The project is likely to achieve most of the proposal's goals. | The project work plan is quite feasible and is very likely to achieve all goals. | |
| Interdisciplinarity This criterion assesses the interdisciplinarity of the project. | Only one researcher is involved. | Multiple researchers are involved but are from the same discipline. | Multiple researchers are involved from different disciplines. | Multiple researchers are involved from different disciplines. The project plan additionally integrates knowledge / methods from different disciplines. | |
| Potential for External Funding This criterion assesses the likelihood for the project to lead to external funding in the future. | No clear path to external funding; no mention of sources or alignment. | Mentions funding opportunities, but lacks a clear plan or alignment. | Identifies relevant sources and outlines a reasonable funding plan. | Strong case with specific sources, clear alignment, and a solid plan. | |
| Total Score | | | | | |