



Call for Letters of Inquiry

The National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE) announces a call for research letters of inquiry (LOIs) for its June 2021 Grant Cycle.

NEFE provides funding for rigorous, innovative and actionable research that seeks to improve the public's financial well-being and has the potential to make a profound contribution to the field of financial education.

Submit a Proposal

We welcome original research questions and replication studies that align with our [funding priorities](#). Research projects must use rigorous empirical and/or theoretical analysis. Original data is welcome but not required.

Our grant cycle remains open to all eligible concepts, but we give preference to well-designed projects that align with the following four topic areas:

- **Measurement:** Studies that re-evaluate current financial literacy metrics and how financial literacy, behavior, perception, knowledge and skill can be measured more effectively.
- **Systemic Inequality:** Studies that investigate knowledge, skill and wealth disparities, especially among populations that are statistically more likely to experience systemic barriers to improving their financial well-being.
- **Data and Methodological Limitations:** Studies that examine bias—specifically as it pertains to personal finance—to help our field identify knowledge gaps and to strengthen research data and design by including traditionally less heard voices.
- **Youth Focus:** Studies that examine inconsistencies in exposure to financial education among youth in the U.S. as well as variations in financial socialization and education within family units.

More detailed information about our funding priorities can be found at:

<https://www.nefe.org/research/get-funding/funding-priorities.aspx>

Important Dates

NEFE's grant cycle opens each year on **September 15** and the deadline for submission is **November 15**.

Submit your LOI through our online grant management portal here: <https://www.nefe.org/research/get-funding/apply.aspx>

After reviewing LOIs, NEFE may request additional information and/or a virtual presentation. Successful LOIs will result in an invitation to submit a full proposal.

For eligibility requirements and guidelines for successful proposals, visit:

<https://www.nefe.org/research/get-funding/eligibility.aspx>