

Submission of Cottrell Scholar 2027 Proposals
Deadline: Wednesday, July 1, 2026 at 11:00 PM MST

Step 1: Go to PRISM - <https://prism.omni.rescorp.org>

- If you have never submitted an application to RCSA or submitted one after October 2025, click on *Register Now*. Otherwise, click the *Reset your password* link to receive an email to set your password.
- Log into PRISM.
- Click on your initials in the top right corner. Select **Manage Profile**.
- In **Personal** details:
 - Select a response in the **Title** field.
 - Review or enter your **ORCID** iD. Click **Synchronize** with ORCID. You will be taken to your ORCID account to provide permission for PRISM to communicate with your ORCID record. Be sure that the access rights under account settings in your ORCID account are set to Trusted Organizations or Everyone.
 - Select responses to the **Ethnicity** and **Gender** fields.
 - Click **Save**.
- Go to **Address** details and review or enter.
- Go to **Qualifications** and enter your academic degree information (unless already pulled into your profile from ORCID). Enter a separate record for each degree earned.
- Go to **Employment** and enter your employment history (unless already pulled into your profile from ORCID). Enter a separate record for each position and be sure to enter the end date for inactive positions.

Step 2:

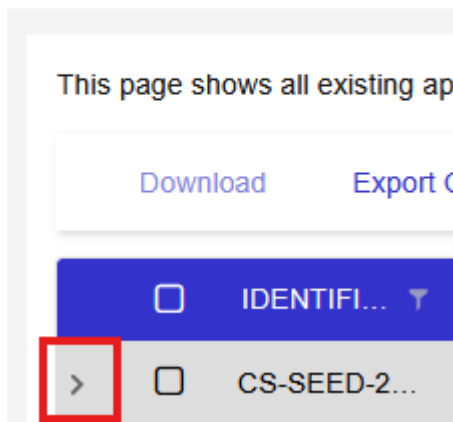
- Click on the PRISM homepage in the upper left.
- Click 'Apply now' for **Cottrell Scholar Award 2027**.
 - Enter your Proposal Title in the *Name Application* field.
 - Answer the eligibility questions. If you are eligible, the remaining pages of the application will appear.
 - On the Principal Investigator page, in the **Organization** field, start typing the name of your organization (**searching for the organization may be slow – please be patient!**). A drop-down menu will appear eventually. Select your institution.
 - Select your position name if a drop down appears in the **Position** field. If not, type in position (e.g., Assistant Professor) and **department**.
 - Continue with your application.

Tips:

- Read the **Proposal Requirements** section of the Cottrell Scholar Award webpage (<https://rescorp.org/cottrell-scholars/cottrell-scholar-award/>).
- To advance to the next page without completing all required fields, use the left side bar menu.
- Don't forget to enter your preferred **title/prefix** (i.e., Professor, Dr., etc.) in your **Profile**. You cannot add it within the application form.
- Even though the deadline is July 1, 2026 at 11:00 pm MST, you must route your application through your institution's Office of Sponsored Projects for the Authorized Organizational Representative's approval. Don't forget to check with them on their deadlines for processing your application.

- To **change your project title** after your application is started, go to Applications and click the gray arrow on the far left of the row. In the box that opens, click *Rename application*. See screenshots below.

Application > Applications



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This page shows all existing applications that have not yet been processed.

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Application information	Identifier	Owner
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Invite user to register or share application	Title	Users
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