Comparing Project Types

Qualifying vs Non-Qualifying Projects

There are many different types of projects or activities that faculty can join, but not all of them are qualifying projects. Here, qualifying project types refer to projects which meet the CAS requirement for faculty with at least a 20% Agricultural Experiment Station (AES) research appointment to join a NIFA-funded Hatch or Hatch Multistate research project.

Qualifying Project Types

- Developed between 2+ institutions
  Reviewed by Experiment Station Directors

- Hatch Multistate Research Projects
  Supplemental funding for travel to annual meeting

- Developed at OSU
  Peer reviewed

- OSU Hatch Collaborative Projects
  Supplemental project funding for participant collaboration

- OSU Hatch Single Investigator Projects
**OSU Hatch Single Investigator**

OSU Hatch Single Investigator projects are research projects coordinated by a single PI at OSU. Projects are written to encompass a 5-year duration. These projects undergo peer review, as well as NIFA review and approval. PIs should actively look for participation on OSU Hatch Collaborative projects rather than engage in an OSU Hatch Single Investigator project.

**OSU Hatch Collaborative**

OSU Hatch Collaborative research projects are large, interdisciplinary research programs. These umbrella projects include teams of faculty from OSU and have a duration of 5 years. They undergo peer review, as well as NIFA review and approval. In addition to funding a portion of the salary of participating faculty, teams are provided project funds which are administered by the project leader.

**Hatch Multistate**

Hatch Multistate research projects focus on research for high-priority topics among the State Agricultural Experiment Stations (SAES), in partnership with NIFA and other research institutions and agencies. These projects are national or regional scope and have a duration of 5 years. At the project level, these projects are reviewed and approved by a region-specific committee of State Agricultural Experiment Station (SAES) Directors. At the institution level, they are reviewed and approved by USDA-NIFA. These projects receive some additional funding to support travel to annual meetings.

**Non-Qualifying Multistate Projects/Activities**

**Education/Extension and Research Activity (ERA)**

ERAs are activities that serve to integrate education (academic and/or Extension) and research on a particular topic where multistate coordination or information exchange is appropriate. ERAs do undergo peer review. These activities receive some additional funding to support travel to annual meetings.
**Coordinating Committee (CC)**

Coordinating Committees are activities that provide a mechanism for addressing critical regional issues where multistate coordination or information exchange is appropriate within a function (i.e., research, education, or Extension). Coordinating Committees do undergo peer review. These committees receive some additional funding to support travel to annual meetings.

**Advisory Committee (AC)**

Advisory Committees are formed of department chairs/heads from a particular discipline that exchange information and serve a multistate administrative function through review of multistate activities. However, these committees are not peer reviewed. These committees receive some additional funding to support travel to annual meetings.

**Development Committee (DC)**

Development Committees have a duration of less than two years and are formed for the purpose of developing a Multistate Activity. These committees have the expected outcome of a full proposal for a particular Multistate Activity and are peer reviewed. These committees receive some additional funding to support travel to annual meetings.

### Overview of Multistate Project/Activity Types

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