

Grants.gov instructions for US applicants to BRAID-DOT (BDOT)

After reviewing the [AHRC's funding announcement](#) and [NEH's Partnership Opportunity Notification](#), you will need to do the following to submit an eligible application for the BDOT program:

1. Submit a joint application to [UKRI's Funding Service grant management system](#). This application must be submitted by the lead UK organization by Thursday, March 20. Make sure to jot down your "Funding Service application reference number", which is provided by AHRC, as you will need to include that when you also apply to NEH.
2. Submit a copy of the complete AHRC application to NEH via Grants.gov using this link: <https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/358153>. The Notice of Funding Opportunity is available under "Download Instructions" on the Opportunity Package Details page. The copy of the application must be submitted by the lead US organization by 11:59pm on Monday, March 24.

Please note that a Grants.gov application that does not have a matching application submitted to UKRI's Funding Service will be declared ineligible.

1. Before applying, your organization must be registered with the [System for Award Management](#) and Grants.gov.
2. Note that there are two application packages in Grants.gov; you should select the package for "projects led by a single researcher" if your project has a single US scholar and "projects led by collaborative teams" if there are two or more US scholars on the project.
3. The application must be submitted by the Institutional Grants Administrator at the lead US organization. Applications submitted by project directors or other project staff will be declared ineligible.
4. In preparing the cover sheet, the title should match the title used for the AHRC application.
5. Include the Funding Service application reference number in the Description of Project section of the cover sheet along with a brief project description. The Funding Service application reference number will be provided to the UK organization from AHRC upon receipt of their application.
6. The entire application submitted to AHRC should be submitted to the NEH, via Grants.gov using the updated guidance below.
7. Complete required Grants.gov forms as instructed in the DOT Notice of Funding Opportunity available at Grants.gov (using the link above).

March 6, 2025 update: The Partnership Opportunity Notification notes on page 4 that the NEH application should include all of the required attachments in the Application Components Table in the DOT NOFO. We realize this has caused some confusion given slightly different requirements for the two programs.

The collaborative team application should be prepared according to the instructions in the AHRC’s BRAID call adhering to any section and page limits. When uploading the application to Grants.gov, please use the table below to determine where to upload the various sections. You do not need to make adjustments to comply with section and page limits in the DOT NOFO.

Sections of DOT NOFO	Corresponding sections of BRAID call
List of personnel	Core team list
Narrative	Summary, Vision, Approach, Ethics and responsible research innovation. Please note that you do not need to use the narrative headers provided in the DOT NOFO.
Work plan	Applicant and team capability to deliver
Biographies	Applicant and team capability to deliver
Appendices	No corresponding section in BRAID call. Note that AHRC expects references to be included in the Vision and Approach sections of the application, so references should not be included in the appendices. Please upload a copy of the AHRC budget form and budget justification here.
Letters of commitment	No corresponding section in BRAID call. For Collaborative Team projects where the US team has additional co-PDs, letters of commitment from those individuals are required.
Subrecipient budget	No corresponding section in BRAID call. If the US component includes subawards, you must provide a separate Research and Related Budget and budget justification for each subrecipient.
Federally negotiated indirect cost agreement	No corresponding section in BRAID call. If the US applicant organization is claiming indirect costs and has a current federally negotiated indirect cost rate agreement, provide a copy of the agreement. If applicable, provide the indirect cost rate agreements for subrecipients claiming indirect costs. If you and your subrecipients are requesting the de minimis rate, you do not need to submit this attachment.
Explanation of delinquent federal debt	No corresponding section in BRAID call. If the US applicant organization is delinquent in the repayment of any federal debt, explain why. Provide evidence that you have entered into a repayment agreement with the Internal Revenue Service, if applicable, and that you are current on all payments due. Examples of relevant debt include delinquent payroll or other taxes, audit disallowances, and benefit overpayments. See OMB Circular A-129.