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Interested applicants should send the following documents in sequence in one PDF to resapp@jhu.edu no later than 4 p.m. on November 9, 2015:

1. JHU Limited Submission Cover Sheet
2. Project Summary (maximum length, 1 page, double-spaced)
3. Proposal (maximum of four pages of text only, single spaced: 12-pt font and one-inch margins) Note: figures, tables, and other reference material should not be included as text. The project description must include subsections (a)-(e), and address the intellectual merits and broader impacts of the proposed effort per GPG or NSF Grants.gov Application Guide guidelines.
4. Curriculum Vitae of investigator, including current external research support and publications
5. Budget (two pages maximum)

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