**Sponsor:** National Science Foundation  
**Program:** Research Traineeship (NRT) Program: Innovations in Graduate Education (IGE) Track  
**Estimated Award Amount:** Up to $500,000 for 3 years  
**JHU Nomination Limit:** 2 (increased from 1)  
**For more detailed information:** [NSF NRT Program](#)

The National Science Foundation’s Research Traineeship (NRT) Program: Innovations in Graduate Education (IGE) Track is a grant for up to three years designed to enable piloting, testing, and evaluating novel, innovative, and potentially transformative approaches to graduate education, both disciplinary and interdisciplinary, to generate the knowledge required for their customization, implementation, and broader adoption. The IGE Track supports test-bed projects with high potential to enrich, improve, and extend the knowledge base with attention to transferability and innovation.

**Addition 11/13:** The organizational limit for proposals submitted to the NRT Innovations in Graduate Education (IGE) Track has been increased to two per organization.

For FY2016, there are four priority areas: (1) Data-Enabled Science and Engineering (DESE), (2) Understanding the Brain (UtB), (3) Innovations at the Nexus of Food, Energy, and Water Systems (INFEWS), and (4) any other interdisciplinary research theme of national priority.

A letter of intent is now **required** for both the NRT Traineeship Track and the NRT Innovations in Graduate Education (IGE) Track.

**Eligibility & Requirements:**

- An individual may serve as Lead Principal Investigator (PI) or Co-PI on only one proposal submitted to the NRT program.

**Internal Nomination Process:**

Interested applicants should send the following documents in sequence in one PDF to resapp@jhu.edu no later than **4 p.m. on November 20, 2015**:

1. **JHU Limited Submission Cover Sheet**  
2. Abstract (one 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)  
4. Curriculum Vitae of investigator, including current external research support and publications  
5. Budget (two pages maximum)  
6. Letters of Recommendation from the Department Chair/Director  
   (Note: Letters of Recommendation can be submitted separately to resapp@jhu.edu stating your name in the subject line)

Each applicant should expect to receive a confirmation of receipt of their materials. If an applicant does not receive an acknowledgement, or has any questions, please contact resapp@jhu.edu.