

**Office of Sponsored Initiatives  
Initial Considerations Rubric**



**SOUTH TEXAS  
COLLEGE**

Project Idea: \_\_\_\_\_

Funding Source: \_\_\_\_\_

Criteria	Measure			Score
<b>Alignment</b> with <a href="#">STC Strategic Directions</a>	0 - Does not align	1 - Marginally aligns	2 - Clearly aligns & advances Strategic Directions	
<b>History &amp; Rapport</b> with Awarding Agency	0 - STC is not known to this Awarding Agency	1 - STC is known to this Awarding Agency	2 - STC has a well-developed relationship with this Agency	
<b>Capacity to Prepare</b> an Adequate Proposal	0 - Staff cannot prepare an adequate proposal by deadline	1 - Staff can prepare an adequate proposal by deadline	2 - Staff can prepare a highly competitive proposal by deadline	
<b>Award versus Costs</b> of Project Requirements	0 - Costs will exceed award funds	1 - Costs will be mostly covered by award funds	2 - Costs will be adequately covered by award funds	
<b>Financial Obligation</b> of Other Resources	0 - Requires significant investment of resources	1 - Requires marginal investment of resources	2 - Requires minimal investment of resources	
<b>Expertise</b> of Relevant Department	0 - Little expertise or project is within a completely new area	1 - Average expertise in project area	2 - Strong expertise in project area	
<b>Availability</b> of Project Director	0 - Department cannot approve any PD time for this project	1 - Department approves partial PD time for this project	2 - Department approves full PD time for this project	
<b>Sustainability</b> of the Project After Award	0 - Difficult to sustain	1 - Able to sustain with significant resources	2 - Able to sustain with minimal additional resources	
<b>Source of Matching Funds</b> if applicable	0 - Matching funds are not available	1 - Minimum matching funds are available	2 - Matching funds are available <b>OR</b> not applicable	
<b>External Partners</b> if applicable	0 - No suitable partners exist	1 - Potential partners exist and are identified	2 - Partners exist and are involved <b>OR</b> not applicable	
			<b>Total</b>	

Total Score Key: 0-7 Negative 8-15 Neutral 16-20 Positive