MICHR RESEARCH JAMS ARE DESIGNED TO HELP GROUPS:

- Surface cutting-edge research ideas
- Build collaborations
- Create shared research agendas
- Help initiatives establish their direction
- Develop strategic action plans

FOUR COMMON TYPES OF RESEARCH JAMS THAT WE OFFER ARE:

**IDEATION JAM**
Bringing together new teams to identify complex problems & collaborative solutions

**STRATEGY JAM**
Guiding small, cohered teams in creating research opportunities and pilot projects

**VISIONING JAM**
Helping identify audiences, value propositions, & key activities

**PROPOSAL JAM**
Mobilizing teams to respond to specific funding opportunity announcements
**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Duration:** Research Jams are typically 2-3 hours in duration.

**Champions:** The requester of the Research Jam, and any other designees, will serve as the 'champion(s)' for the effort and will be the point(s) of contact during the design process.

**Planning:** The design of our Research Jams is an iterative process that involves the MICHR team and the champion(s). Depending on capacity, we may need up to three months to implement a Research Jam.

**Formats:** All of our Research Jams can be hosted in person or virtually.

**Post Research Jam:** MICHR will provide you with a report documenting the Research Jam & next steps identified by your group. We ask that all participants complete a satisfaction survey, so we can keep improving what we do. We like to debrief with the champion, & we can provide project management consultation to get your efforts up & running. Depending on your next steps and our capacity, additional support from MICHR may be possible.

**RESEARCH JAM EVENTS**

Our engaging in-person and virtual sessions, tailored to your needs and goals, will immerse you in a creative and collaborative environment that fosters ideation and drives productivity. This service is ideal for brand new, loosely formed, or well-established groups.

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RESEARCH JAM EXPERIENCE: IN-PERSON OR VIRTUAL

Research Jams can be implemented either in-person or virtually (using Zoom and an Online Whiteboard). We will work with you to determine the best format for your group. Some of the advantages of in-person and virtual sessions are highlighted below.

**Advantages of In-Person Events:**
- Interpersonal connections easily made through ad hoc conversations
- Trust and camaraderie develop quickly
- Facial expressions and body language easy to read
- Lack of distractions allow for deep engagement and focus
- Energy and enthusiasm easily transferred
- No technology to navigate
- Sessions are often shorter in duration compared to virtual events
- Participants receive a formal report of all ideas generated

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**Advantages of Virtual Events:**
- Allows all participants to collaborate in the same space, regardless of location
- Participants do not need to incorporate travel time into schedules
- Participants receive a formal report and a digital archive of all ideas generated