Distinguished Researchers Cycle 5 -- Frequently Asked Questions

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Question 1  What qualifies as non-state match to meet the one-to-one match requirement for the grant?

Answer 1  Non-state of Washington contributions (i.e., not from Washington state appropriations), such as federal grants, private contributions from donors, institutes, foundations, etc. would qualify as a non-state match.

Question 2  What should be included to respond to the Additional Documents prompt?

Answer 2  The additional documents prompt is an opportunity for the applicant to provide any other information to strengthen their application. Letters of support was included as an example of what could be included. The letters of support can come from collaborators or a letter of recommendation.

Question 3  The grant period is 2 years. Should the milestones also be for a 2 year period?

Answer 3  The milestones should be for each year of the 5-year period related to your proposed research program. Please see the milestones guidance linked here. While the grant award will be for two years, the reviewers will be assessing the 5-year research plan and the related milestones. (However, grant payments will be contingent on progress of the milestones for the first 2 years.)