

**Topical Heading**  
Research

**Program Title**

# Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program

**Also Known as**  
SBIR

**CFDA # (or ED #)**  
84.133S; 84.305S

**Administering Office**  
Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

**Who May Apply (specifically)**  
An entity must qualify as a small business concern at the time of award.

**Current Competitions**

Phase I (feasibility) competitions: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)/National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitative Research (NIDRR) grant application deadline: Jan. 31, 2007.

Phase II (comprehensive research and development) competitions: IES Phase II contract proposal deadline: Jan. 28, 2007. Request for Proposals # ED-07-R-0003 issued Nov. 18, 2006.

Fast-Track competitions (Phase I and Phase II combined): IES Fast-Track contract proposal deadline: Jan. 8, 2007. Request for Proposals # ED-07-R-0003 issued Nov 8. 2006.

**Type of Assistance (by category)**  
Discretionary/Competitive Grants, Contracts

**Appropriations**

Fiscal Year 2005	\$8,468,967
Fiscal Year 2006	\$8,675,149
Fiscal Year 2007	To be determined

**Fiscal Year 2007 Awards Information**

*Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.*

Number of New Awards anticipated:

IES – Approximately 4 Phase II contracts; Approximately 4 Fast-Track contracts

OSERS/NIDRR – To be determined

Average New Award:

IES – Phase I: \$100,000; Phase II: \$750,000

OSERS/NIDRR – Phase I: \$75,000; Phase II: \$500,000

Range of New Awards:

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OSERS/NIDRR – Phase I: \$75,000; Phase II: \$500,000

Number of Continuation Awards: 0

**Legislative Citation**

*Small Business Reauthorization Act of 2000* (SBRA; P.L. 106-554, 15 *U.S.C.* 631 and 638); Title II of the *Rehabilitation Act of 1973* (29 *U.S.C.* 760–764); Title VI, Sec. 605 of the *Higher Education Act (HEA)*, as amended (20 *U.S.C.* 1125); *Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998* (20 *U.S.C.* 2301 *et seq.*); *Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002 (ESRA)*, Title I-B (20 *U.S.C.* 9531–9534)

**Program Regulations**

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**Program Description**

This program funds research and development projects that propose a sound approach to the investigation of an important education or assistive technology, science, or engineering question under topics identified each year in the solicitation. The purpose of the program is to: stimulate technological innovation; increase small business participation in federal research and development; foster and encourage participation by minority and disadvantaged persons in technological innovation; and increase private sector commercialization of technology derived from federal research and development.

**Types of Projects**

Each year, the program funds Phase I feasibility projects for approximately six months. After completion of the Phase I stage, most of these businesses can compete for Phase II awards. Phase II awards can last up to 24 months.

**Education Level (by category)**

K–12, Postsecondary, Pre-K

**Subject Index**

Business, Innovation, Research, Research and Development, Small Businesses, Technology

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**Links to Related Web Sites**

<http://www.ed.gov/programs/sbir/index.html>  
<http://ies.ed.gov/ncer/projects/sbir/index.asp>