



2022-2023 Bridge Grant Program Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q: What costs can I allocate to BRIDGE grant funds?

In addition to institutional restrictions on the use of funds, grant recipients will be responsible for ensuring that all expenditures directly relate to the proposed scope of work. If after review it is determined that certain expenditures are not appropriate, the principal investigator's (PI's) unit will be responsible for bearing those costs.

Allowable costs include (*but may not be limited to*):

- Consumable supplies
- Contractual services
- Salaries for Post Doc, Graduate Research Assistants, Student Hourly and Academic Hourly employees
- Equipment
- Travel
- Non-employee travel
- Publication and/or printing costs
- Sub-contracts
- Rental costs

Unallowable costs include (*but may not be limited to*):

- Alcohol
- Membership dues
- Subscriptions
- Principal Investigator/Co-Principal Investigator (Faculty) salary
- Fringe benefits
- Tuition remission
- Service or maintenance contracts for equipment

Note: Please contact the [Cancer Center at Illinois](#) with further questions regarding allowable costs.

Q: Can funding be applied to Academic Professional (AP) and Civil Service salaries (excluding fringe)?

Yes, AP or Civil Service staff can be paid from these grants as long as their efforts are directly related to the project.

Q: Is administrative support an allowable cost?

Administrative support is not allowed, as it would be difficult to define effort solely on behalf of a project.

Q: What happens to remaining funds in my CFOP after I've completed my project if I haven't used the entire awarded amount?

All expenditures must directly relate to the approved CCIL BRIDGE Grant research project and any unspent funds will be pulled back to CCIL for future initiatives.

Q: What if I can't get all of the work completed that I proposed in the time allotted?

Please contact the [Cancer Center at Illinois](#).

Q: My project does not require the use of the maximum funding amount, can/should I still apply for funding?

Yes, you are encouraged to apply for the amount of funding that is needed to execute your project.

Q: Who should I contact if I have additional questions?

Please send an email to the [Cancer Center at Illinois](#).