driver’s license, passport, etc.) to the security guard. Inform the security guard that you are attending a meeting in Building 2101. Foreign nationals attending this meeting will be required to provide a copy of their passport and visa in addition to providing the following information no less than 15 days prior to the meeting: Full name; gender; date/place of birth; citizenship; passport information (number, country, telephone); visa information (number, type, expiration date); employer/affiliation information (name of institution, address, country, telephone); title/position of attendee. To expedite admittance, U.S. citizens and Permanent Residents (green card holders) are requested to provide full name and citizenship status no less than 5 working days in advance. Information should be sent to Ms. Irma Rodriguez by fax at (202) 358–4060. If any questions, please call Ms. Irma Rodriguez at (202) 358–0984. Attendees will also be required to sign a register prior to entering the meeting room. It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants.

Patricia Rausch, Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice: 18–084]

National Space Council Users’ Advisory Group; Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) announces a meeting of the National Space Council Users’ Advisory Group (UAG). This will be the second meeting of the UAG.

DATES: Thursday, November 15, 2018, from 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: NASA Headquarters, Executive Conference Center, Room 8Q40B, 300 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20546. Please note that if the prior room is filled to maximum capacity, an overflow room will be provided in the James E. Webb Memorial Auditorium, located on the 1st floor, near the west end lobby.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Brandon Eden, UAG Designated Federal Officer/Executive Secretary, NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC 20546, (202) 358–2470 or brandon.t.eden@nasa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will be open to the public up to the capacity of the meeting room. This meeting is also available telephonically and by WebEx. You must use a touch-tone phone to participate in this meeting. Any interested person may dial the toll free number 1–888–942–9869 or the toll number 1–517–308–9460 and then the numeric passcode 9695733, followed by the # sign. NOTE: If dialing in, please “mute” your phone. To join via WebEx, the link is https://nasaenterprise.webex.com/. The meeting number on November 15 is 904 722 523 and the meeting password is BgR6jDz@ (case sensitive). The agenda for the meeting will include the following:

—Opening Remarks by UAG Chairman
—Reports from UAG Subcommittees:
  • Exploration and Discovery Subcommittee
  • National Security Space Subcommittee
  • Economic Development/Industrial Base Subcommittee
  • Technology and Innovation Subcommittee
  • Outreach and Education Subcommittee
  • Space Policy and International Engagement Subcommittee
—Update on NASA Exploration Campaign and DoD Space Planning
—Other UAG Business and Public Input

Attendees will be requested to sign a register and to comply with NASA Headquarters security requirements, including the presentation of a valid picture ID to NASA Security before access to NASA Headquarters. Foreign nationals attending this meeting will be required to provide a copy of their passport and visa in addition to providing the following information no less than 10 days prior to the meeting: Full name; gender; date/place of birth; citizenship; passport information (number, country, telephone); visa information (number, type, expiration date); employer/affiliation information (name of institution, address, country, telephone); title/position of attendee. To expedite admittance, attendees that are U.S. citizens and Permanent Residents (green card holders) are requested to provide full name and citizenship status no less than 3 working days prior to the meeting. Information should be sent to Mr. Brandon Eden via email at brandon.t.eden@nasa.gov. It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to the scheduling priorities of the key participants. For further information, visit the UAG website at: https://www.nasa.gov/content/national-space-council-users-advisory-group.

Patricia Rausch, Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Membership of National Science Foundation’s Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation is announcing the members of the Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Branch Chief, Executive Services, Division of Human Resource Management, National Science Foundation, Room W15219, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Jennifer Munz at the above address or (703) 292–2478.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The membership of the National Science Foundation’s Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board is as follows: F. Fleming Crim, Chief Operating Officer, Chairperson Dianne Campbell Krieger, Chief Human Capital Officer & Division Director, Division of Human Resource Management Dorothy Aronson, Chief Information Officer Anne Kinney, Assistant Director, Directorate for Mathematical & Physical Sciences Suzanne C. Iacono, Office Head, Office of Integrative Activities Michael Wetklow, Deputy Chief Financial Officer and Division Director, Budget Division Joanne Tornow, Acting Assistant Director, Directorate for Biological Sciences Sylvia M. James, Acting Deputy Assistant Director, Directorate for Education and Human Resources Erwin Gianchandani, Assistant Director, Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering

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This announcement of the membership of the National Science Foundation’s Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board is made in compliance with 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4).

Dated: October 24, 2018.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,
Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, and as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES) within the National Science Foundation (NSF) is inviting the general public or other Federal agencies to comment on this proposed continuing information collection. The NCSES will publish periodic summaries of the proposed projects.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by December 28, 2018 to be assured consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable. Send comments to the address listed in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite W18253, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; telephone (703) 292–7556; or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including Federal holidays).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments: Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the NCSES, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the NCSES’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title of Collection: Survey of Earned Doctorates.


Type of Request: Intent to seek approval to renew an information collection for three years.

Abstract: Established within NSF by the America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010 § 505, codified in the NSF Act of 1950, as amended, NCSES serves as a central Federal clearinghouse for the collection, interpretation, analysis, and dissemination of objective data on science, engineering, technology, and research and development for use by practitioners, researchers, policymakers, and the public.

The Survey of Earned Doctorates (SED) is part of NCSES’ survey system that collects data on individuals in an effort to provide information on science and engineering education and careers in the United States. The SED has been conducted annually since 1958 and is jointly sponsored by the National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Education, and National Endowment for the Humanities in order to avoid duplication. It is an accurate, timely source of information on one of our Nation’s most important resources—highly educated individuals.

Data are obtained primarily via Web survey from each person earning a research doctorate at the time they receive the degree. Data are collected on their field of specialty, educational background, sources of support in graduate school and postdoctoral research, postgraduate plans, and demographic characteristics. The Federal government, universities, researchers, and others use the information extensively. NCSES publishes statistics from the survey in several reports, primarily in the annual publication series Doctorate Recipients from U.S. Universities. These reports are available on the NCSES website. The survey will be collected in conformance with the Privacy Act of 1974. Responses from individuals are voluntary. NCSES will ensure that all individually identifiable information collected will be kept strictly confidential and will be used only for research or statistical purposes.

Use of the Information: Results from the SED are used to assess characteristics of the doctorate population and trends in doctoral education and degrees by researchers, policy makers, universities, and government agencies. Data from the survey are published annually on the NCSES website in a publication series reporting on all fields of study, titled Doctorate Recipients from U.S. Universities. Information from the SED is also included in other series available online: Science and Engineering Indicators; and Women, Minorities, and Persons with Disabilities in Science and Engineering. In addition, access to tabular data from selected variables is available through Integrated Data Tool, an online table-generating tool on the NCSES website.

Expected Respondents: The SED is a census of all individuals receiving a research doctorate from an accredited U.S. academic institution in the academic year beginning 1 July and ending 30 June of the subsequent year. As such, the population for the 2020 SED consists of all individuals receiving a research doctorate in the 12-month period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 30 June 2020. Likewise, the population for the 2021 SED consists of all individuals receiving a research doctorate in the 12-month period beginning 1 July 2020 and ending 30 June 2021. A research doctorate is a doctoral degree that (1) requires completion of an original intellectual contribution in the form of a dissertation or an equivalent culminating project (e.g., musical composition) and (2) is not primarily intended as a degree for the practice of a profession. The most common research doctorate degree is the Ph.D. Recipients of professional doctoral degrees, such as MD, DDS, JD, DPharm, and PsyD, are not included in the SED. The 2020 and 2021 SED are expected to include about 606 separately reporting doctoral programs from among approximately 446 eligible research doctorate-granting institutions.

Estimate of Burden: A total response rate of 91.4% of the 54,664 persons who earned a research doctorate from a U.S. institution was obtained in academic year 2017. This level of response rate has been consistent for several years. Based on the historical trend, in 2020 approximately 58,000 individuals are expected to receive research doctorates from U.S. institutions. Using the past response rate, the number of SED respondents in 2020 is estimated to be 52,780 (58,000 doctorate recipients x 0.91 response rate). Similarly, the number of individuals expected to earn