

NIH Biographical Sketch Format Page Change

A full copy of the updated Biosketch instructions can be found [here](#). Specific changes are below, in bold italics. As a normal matter of business, NIH will incorporate the changes into the NIH Application Form Instructions within the next forms update by FY 2022.

Specific Changes to Biosketch Instructions:

- ❖ A. Personal Statement updated to read:
Briefly describe why you are well-suited for your role(s) in this project. Relevant factors may include: aspects of your training; your previous experimental work on this specific topic or related topics; your technical expertise; your collaborators or scientific environment; and/or your past performance in this or related fields, ***including ongoing and completed research projects from the past three years that you want to draw attention to (previously known as research support)***.
- ❖ B. Positions, ***Scientific Appointments***, and Honors updated to read:
List in **reverse** chronological order ***all positions and scientific appointments both domestic and foreign, including affiliations with foreign entities or governments. This includes titled academic, professional, or institutional appointments whether or not remuneration is received, and whether full-time, part-time, or voluntary (including adjunct, visiting, or honorary)***. High school students and undergraduates may include any previous positions. For individuals who are not currently located at the applicant organization, include the expected position at the applicant organization and the expected start date.
- ❖ D. Scholastic Performance updated to remove 'Research Support'.
Section D is solely present on the fellowship version of the Biosketch, and no longer includes research support, only Scholastic Performance.

Important Reminders

You may provide a URL to a full list of your published work. This URL must be to a Federal Government website (a .gov suffix). NIH recommends using [My Bibliography](#). Providing a URL to a list of published work is not required.

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