



MAA Outreach Programs

Application Portal: AmpliFund

How to Create an AmpliFund Account

On the "Application Details" page, click "Apply". On the next screen, click "Register". You will be asked to enter some information about yourself and your organization (**note:** for academic institutions please select "Other" as the organization type), and then you will be asked to accept the terms and conditions. Once this is complete, you may begin your application.



Getting Started with AmpliFund. Get started with AmpliFund by watching [this video](#). You will learn about setting up an account, completing an application, and submitting an application.

We recommend completing the application on AmpliFund using Chrome or Firefox. There are known issues with AmpliFund and Safari.

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Q: Do I need to create an Amplifund account in order to apply?

Yes, you will need to create a free Amplifund account to apply. *The only exception* is if your institution already has an AmpliFund account for another grant. Amplifund is the grants management system for many organizations, not just MAA, so it is possible that your institution's grants office, or sponsored programs office, already has an account for your institution. Please check with them before creating your own account.

Q: Multiple people from my institution are applying for MAA funding - do we all need an Amplifund account?

No, each institution/college/university should only create one account that everyone should use to apply. We suggest that you contact your grants or sponsored programs office directly to coordinate this.

Q: What is my organization "type"?

When setting up your Amplifund account you will be asked for organization name and type. This refers to the organization that will be the fiscal agent for the grant, if awarded. Most academic institutions should select "Other" unless they are applying as a Foundation or Corporation. If you're unsure, please contact your grants or sponsored programs office.

Q: What should I enter for "Application Name"?

This should be the title of your project, i.e. "[University Name's] Math Circle" or "Girls Doing Math Camp", etc.

Q: I'd like to show my department head/a colleague our application before submitting, can I do that?

Yes! At *any* point, while you're filling out the application form, you can download the application in its entirety by clicking the **Download** button.

Additionally, before submitting, on the final screen, there will be a button that says **Review** with a download arrow. Click on this button to download your completed application before submitting it.

Q: The submit button is greyed out, but I filled all the forms in - how can I submit?

Amplifund has a built-in safety feature to prevent applicants from missing sections. There is a button at the bottom of each page/section that says "Mark as Complete". Make sure you have clicked this on each page (when clicked, the button becomes "Mark as In Progress").

Q: How do I know if my application has been submitted?

You will receive a confirmation email at the email address you used to create your Amplifund account.

Q: Is it possible for one department/institution to submit multiple proposals to the DMEG, Neff, and Tensor programs within the same grant year?

Funding for all four programs is limited, and the MAA will make every attempt to support a broad range of projects from various geographic locations. If any department is interested in submitting more than one proposal, we strongly recommend discussing this internally; the proposals must support different programs and must have different personnel.

We do **not** recommend submitting the *same* proposal to multiple programs in the same year. It will only be considered for one. The Program Directors will decide which program it is best suited for, and reject it from the other programs.

Q: Must key project personnel be MAA members to improve our funding prospects?

No, MAA membership is not required for key project personnel. Funding decisions consider personnel qualifications, but MAA membership status has no impact on the likelihood of receiving a grant.

Q: Is it permissible to allocate grant funds for faculty release time?

Grant funds cannot be used for faculty release time, as it's expected to be an in-kind contribution from your university. However, you can budget for summer salaries, though Tensor, DMEG, and Neff programs do **not** support fringe benefits.

Q: Is it possible to apply for funding for a one-day event?

DMEG provides funding for short-term events, including one-day events, with a general funding limit of up to **\$3,500 for those events**.

Tensor SUMMA and Tensor Women do not have such a restriction, but one-day events without follow-up have not been seen as competitive projects.

Neff projects do not have such a restriction.

Q: Is matching funding required from my institution, and does it have to be financial? Also, how does in-kind support differ from indirect costs?

Your institution should provide some level of support, which can be in-kind contributions like materials, office supplies, or space use, rather than matching the grant dollar-for-dollar. This is meant to indicate your institution's commitment to your project. Indirect costs, or Facilities and Administrative Rate (F&A Rate), cover a university's infrastructure support costs for research and projects, acting as an overhead rate. DMEG, Tensor, and Neff grants do not cover these indirect costs.

Q: Can institutions outside the U.S. apply for funding?

DMEG, Tensor Women, and Tensor SUMMA accept applications from faculty in the mathematical sciences at accredited institutions in the U.S. (including U.S. Territories) and Canada.

At this time, the Neff Outreach Fund only accepts applications from the US and US territories. Applications are accepted from school districts or nonprofit organizations, in addition to higher education institutions.