**Section 1038.30 Project Eligibility Criteria**

Eligible projects shall meet the following criteria:

a) The project is a research project and is described by the sponsor as a research project.

b) The research project is awarded grant funds through an open and competitive process of merit review.

c) Matching funds are required by the sponsor under the terms of the award or the award is conditioned on a match as a determination of institutional commitment.

d) The institution is committed to provide a specified matching contribution and shall provide funding for any portion of the matching contribution not covered by the State Matching Grant Program.

e) Projects must be basic research or applied research activities.

f) Such activities as training of personnel, workforce training or development, curricular research or development, clinical trials, or building construction or renovation (except for renovation costs incurred in support of an eligible project) are only incidental to the basic research or applied research activities.

g) Research projects for which the State of Illinois has provided a specific grant or appropriation are ineligible for matching funds under this grant program.

h) The results of the sponsored research project must be available to the public or to the sponsoring governmental agency. Research projects may not support private, non-governmental, or for-profit research activities.

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