

Appendix A – Research Team Questions in the SAP Portal

(Note: Questions and question wording are submitted in draft form and are subject to change prior to public release in late 2022.)

Item #	Application Field	Description (Question Wording as it Appears on the SAP Application Portal)	Review Criteria	Rationale
1	PI/Lead Researcher	Who is the Principal Investigator/Lead Researcher?	Applicant Review Criteria - Identification (items 1-31)	Provides general contact and identification information for the individual responsible for preparation, conduct, and administration of the application (principal investigator).
2	PI Affiliation	What is [name]'s affiliation or place of employment?		Indicates that the institutional affiliation of the principal investigator is consistent with legal requirements to access confidential data.
3	PI Title	What is [name]'s primary title?		Provides general contact and identification information of the principal investigator; verifies that their position is consistent with legal requirements to access confidential data. If applicants indicate that they are graduate student, they will be asked to provide their graduation date. This provides awareness as to whether the principal investigator is a graduate student. While some agencies allow graduate students to be PIs, others do not.
4	PI email	What is [name]'s email?		Provides general contact and identification information of the principal investigator.
5	PI phone number	What is [name]'s phone number?		Provides general contact and identification information of the principal investigator.
6	PI Citizenship	Is [name] a U.S. citizen?		Statutory requirement for some agencies and access modalities. Establishes the principal investigator's US citizenship status.
7	PI Residency	Has [name] resided in the US	Census requirement	Individuals who access Census data must have

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	Status	for at least three out of the past five years?		resided in the US for three out of the last five years to obtain Special Sworn Status (SSS). SSS is required for accessing restricted-use data via the FSRDC program.
8	PI Active Special Sworn Status (SSS)	Does [name] have active SSS with the U.S. Census Bureau?		Provides awareness of whether the principal investigation has active Census Special Sworn Status.
9	PI Data Access	Will [name] access the restricted data proposed for this project?		Provides awareness as to whether the principal investigator will access data.
10	PI Graduation Date	What is [name]'s graduation date?		Indicates whether the PI's graduation date is before, during, or after the project end date.
11	PI Curriculum Vitae	Please upload your curriculum vitae here.		CV is required for some agencies.
12	Co-PI/Lead Researcher	Who is the Co-Principal Investigator/Lead Researcher?		Provides general contact and identification information for the individual working in partnership with the Principal Investigator in the management, development and/or execution of the application. (Co-principal investigator)
13	Co-PI Affiliation	What is [name]'s affiliation or place of employment?		Verifies that the institutional affiliation of the co-principal investigator is consistent with legal requirements to access confidential data.
14	Co-PI Title	What is [name]'s primary title?		<p>Provides general contact and identification information of the co-principal investigator; verify that their position is consistent with legal requirements to access confidential data.</p> <p>Provides general contact and identification information of the co-principal investigator; verifies that their position is consistent with legal requirements to access confidential data.</p>

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15	Co-PI email	What is [name]'s email?		Provides general contact and identification information of the co-principal investigator.
16	Co-PI phone number	What is [name]'s phone number?		Provides general contact and identification information of the co-principal investigator.
17	Co-PI Citizenship	Is [name] a U.S. citizen?		Required for some agencies and access modalities. Establishes the co-principal investigator's citizenship status.
18	PI Residency Status	Has [name] resided in the US for at least three out of the past five years?	Census requirement	Individuals who access Census data must have resided in the US for three out of the last five years to obtain Special Sworn Status (SSS). SSS is required for accessing restricted-use data via the FSRDC program.
19	Co-PI SSS Status	Does [name] have active SSS with the U.S. Census Bureau?		Allows the Census Bureau to verify SSS status of the co-principal investigator.
20	Co-PI Data Access	Will [name] access the restricted data proposed for this project?		Allows agencies visibility into who on the applicant team will access data. Allows agencies visibility into whether the co-principal investigator will access data.
21	Co-PI Graduation Date	What is [name]'s graduation date?		Indicates whether the CO-PI's graduation date is before, during, or after the project end date.
22	Co-PI Curriculum Vitae	Please upload your curriculum vitae here.		CV is required for some agencies.

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23	Researcher	Who is the Researcher?		Provides general contact and identification information for the individual who will carry out academic or scientific research or who will use the data for discovering or verifying information (researcher).
24	Researcher Affiliation	What is [name]'s affiliation or place of employment?		Verifies that the institutional affiliation of the researcher is consistent with legal requirements to access confidential data.
25	Researcher Title	What is [name]'s primary title?		<p>Provides general contact and identification information of the researcher; verifies that their position is consistent with legal requirements to access confidential data.</p> <p>Provides general contact and identification information of the researcher; verifies that their position is consistent with legal requirements to access confidential data.</p> <p>If applicants indicate that they are graduate student, they will be asked to provide their graduation date. This provides awareness as to whether the principal investigator is a graduate student. While some agencies allow graduate students to be PIs, others do not.</p>
26	Researcher email	What is [name]'s email?		Provides general contact and identification information of the researcher.
27	Researcher phone number	What is [name]'s phone number?		Provides general contact and identification information of the researcher.
28	Researcher Citizenship	Is [name] a U.S. citizen?		Required for some agencies and access modalities. Establishes the researcher's citizenship status.
29	Research	Has [name] resided in the US	Census requirement	Individuals who access Census data must have

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	Residency Status	for at least three out of the past five years?		resided in the US for three out of the last five years to obtain Special Sworn Status (SSS). SSS is required for accessing restricted-use data via the FSRDC program.
30	Researcher SSS Status	Does [name] have active SSS with the U.S. Census Bureau?		Allows the Census Bureau to verify the SSS status of the researcher.
31	Researcher Role on Project	What is [name]'s role on the project?		Provides the responsibilities the researcher will carry out on the project.
32	Researcher Data Access	Will [name] access the restricted data proposed for this project?		Allows agencies visibility into who on the applicant team will access data. Allows agencies visibility into whether the researcher will access data.
33	Researcher Graduate Student	Is [name] a graduate student?		Indicates if the researcher is a graduate student.
34	Researcher Graduation Date	What is [name]'s graduation date?		Indicates if the researcher's graduation date is before, during, or after the project end date.