

NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS)

2025 GSS Data Collection Plan

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EMAIL TO CONFIRM SC AND CONTACT INFO

Subject: Coordinator verification for the 2025 NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates

Dear <2024 COORDINATOR NAME>,

The fall 2025 Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS) will soon begin! This important survey is co-sponsored by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH). As you may know, the GSS is an annual national survey started in 1966 that is used to estimate the present and future size of the labor force in science and engineering and provides reliable national data on graduate students and postdocs in science, engineering, and health fields.

You are currently listed as the GSS coordinator for your institution based on your institution's participation status in the 2024 survey. Please take a moment to let us know if you will serve as the GSS coordinator again this year, update your contact information, and confirm the information we have on file for your President.

As in previous collections, coordinators have the option to designate multiple alternate contacts with varying roles and access to the system. For example, an alternate contact could be someone that is just copied on correspondence to you with no access to the system or they could be someone that assists with entering data in the system and will be given their own login credentials. Alternate Contacts given access to the web system differ from Unit Respondents in that they will not be assigned individual units but will have access to all units.

Confirming your information and, if desired, designating alternate contacts can be done by visiting the following site:

GSS Website: <https://nsgss.org/2025>

Username: <username>

Password: <password>

If someone other than you will be serving as the GSS coordinator for your institution this year, please provide us with their contact information via the same link and select "Change coordinator info."

Please reply to this email (gss@rti.org) or call the GSS Help Desk at (866) 558-0781 if you have questions about confirming/changing the information we have on file or if you have additional questions regarding the

survey. Our survey contractor, RTI International, will contact your institution when the survey data collection begins in October.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Michael I. Yamaner
Project Officer
Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering
National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics
National Science Foundation

EMAIL – NR FOLLOW-UP PROMPT TO CONFIRM SC (COORDINATOR VERSION)

Subject: Follow-up on coordinator verification for the NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates

Dear <2024 COORDINATOR NAME>,

The 2025 Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS) will begin soon. Please confirm if you will be serving as the coordinator for <SCHOOL NAME> or if someone else should be contacted for this year's survey by visiting the following site:

GSS Website: <https://nsgss.org/2025>

Username: <username>

Password: <password>

Please contact the GSS Help Desk gss@rti.org or (866) 558-0781 if you have any questions about confirming/changing the information we have on file. If you have additional questions or concerns about the survey, please contact Jennifer Pauli at jpauli@rti.org.

We appreciate your assistance and look forward to your institution's participation in the 2025 GSS.

Sincerely,

Michael I. Yamaner
Project Officer
Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering
National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics
National Science Foundation

EMAIL – NR FOLLOW-UP PROMPT TO CONFIRM SC (ALT/PROXY VERSION)

Subject: Follow-up on coordinator verification for the NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates

The below message was sent to the GSS Coordinator at your school and you are receiving a copy because you are listed as an alternate contact. Please contact the GSS helpdesk if you can assist us in verifying the coordinator at your school or if you know that there has been a change in the coordinator or President for your School.

Dear <2024 COORDINATOR NAME>,

The 2025 Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS) will begin soon. Please confirm if you will be serving as the coordinator for <SCHOOL NAME> or if someone else should be contacted for this year's survey by visiting the following site:

Login information has been removed for security purposes.

Please contact the GSS Help Desk gss@rti.org or (866) 558-0781 if you have any questions about confirming/changing the information we have on file. If you have additional questions or concerns about the survey, please contact Jennifer Pauli at jpauli@rti.org.

We appreciate your assistance and look forward to your institution's participation in the 2025 GSS.

Sincerely,

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Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering
National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics
National Science Foundation

EMAIL (SC/PC WITH ALT/PROXY CC'D) – NR FINAL FOLLOW-UP PROMPT TO CONFIRM COORDINATOR

SUBJECT: GSS-FINAL ATTEMPT: PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ROLE AS GSS COORDINATOR

Dear <2024 COORDINATOR NAME>,

This is our final attempt to confirm you as the coordinator for the 2025 GSS for < SCHOOL NAME > prior to it launching later this month. Please respond to this email or contact us at (866) 558-0781 to confirm yourself as the coordinator or provide us with the name of the individual who will be the new contact.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Pauli
GSS Data Collection Manager
RTI International



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EMAIL - NEW SCHOOL WELCOME

<DATE>
<TITLE> <PRESIDENT NAME>
<SCHOOLNAME>
<ADDRESS LINE 1>
<ADDRESS LINE 2>
<CITY>, <STATE> <ZIPCODE>

Dear <PRESIDENT NAME>:

A few weeks ago, we contacted your institution regarding the Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science, Engineering (GSS) for the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH). After reviewing the information provided by «COORDINATOR NAME» at your institution, «SCHOOL NAME» was determined to be eligible for the 2025 GSS. Your university will join the other approximately 600 institutions that are asked each year to participate in the GSS.

The 2025 survey round will begin soon. We will be contacting your school coordinator, «COORDINATOR_NAME» to complete the survey. We need your institution's participation in this survey to ensure the accuracy and validity of important national estimates. The deadline for submission for the 2025 GSS data is February 27, 2026.

The GSS, conducted annually since the 1960s, is a national survey of all postsecondary institutions in the U.S. and its territories that grant graduate degrees in science (including some social sciences), engineering and health fields (SEH). The results of this survey are used to assess shifts in graduate enrollment, postdoctoral appointments and trends in financial support. Last year, over 96% of institutions provided the requested information. This exceptional level of participation enables us to produce reliable statistics for use by federal, state, and local governments. Academic researchers and planners use GSS data to compare their institution's characteristics to those of their peer institutions.

If you have questions about the survey, please contact Ms. Jennifer Pauli, RTI International, toll-free at (866) 558-0781 or by email at gss@rti.org. You can also contact Michael Yamaner, NSF Project Officer at myamaner@nsf.gov or (703) 292-7815.

Thank you in advance for your institution's participation in GSS and contribution to these important national statistics.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Emilda B. Rivers'.

Emilda Rivers
Director
National Center for Science and
Engineering Statistics
National Science Foundation

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Jon R. Lorsch'.

Jon R. Lorsch, Ph.D.
Acting Deputy Director for
Extramural Research
National Institutes of Health

EMAIL – SURVEY LAUNCH WITH GSS WEB ACCESS

Subject: 2025 NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students in Science and Engineering (GSS)

Dear <COORDINATOR NAME>,

The 2025 Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS) is now available on the web for completion. Please go to the GSS website to review the instructions and other materials for the 2025 GSS data collection and download the templates for uploads.

Please note the following instructions for completing the 2025 GSS:

- 1) Make sure to review the training resources available on the survey menu under “Instructions.”
- 2) Use the Screener Page in the “Response Method” menu to tell us how you plan to provide your data for the 2025 GSS.
- 3) Use the GSS Code List and GSS-CIP Crosswalk to determine the GSS eligible student and research units at your institution.

The final due date for the GSS is February 27, 2026. The GSS grants extensions on a case-by-case basis and only to schools that contact the GSS Helpdesk prior to the due date. In attempt to deliver final data earlier the GSS will be unable to accept any new data after March 27, 2026. Part of our end of collection follow-up will be to contact institution presidents to ask them to assist us in obtaining their school’s data. In order, to prevent this communication data must be submitted by March 6, 2026.

Your login information is:

GSS Web: <https://nsgss.org/2025>

User ID: [USERID]

Password: [PASSWORD]

Institution: [SCHOOL NAME]

Due Date to Complete Screener Page: November 28, 2025

Final Due Date: February 27, 2026

If you have any questions, or you are not the right contact person for this survey, please contact Jennifer Pauli at RTI International toll-free at (866) 558-0781 or by e-mail at gss@rti.org.

Your support and assistance are very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Michael I. Yamaner

Project Officer

Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics

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EMAIL - THANK YOU AND PLEASE PARTICIPATE AGAIN

<DATE>

<PRESIDENT NAME>, < TITLE>

<INSTITUTION NAME>

<ADDRESS LINE 1>

<ADDRESS LINE 2>

<CITY>, <STATE> <ZIPCODE>

Dear <PRESIDENT NAME>, <TITLE>:

<INSTITUTION NAME> is one of approximately 600 postsecondary institutions in the U.S. that participate in the Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS) sponsored by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH) since 1966. The GSS collects national data on graduate students, postdoctoral appointees (postdocs), and nonfaculty researchers in science, engineering, and health fields that are used by the federal, state, and local governments, and the academic community.

We have contacted <COORDINATOR NAME>, the GSS coordinator(s) at your institution to help us with the GSS. We very much appreciated your institution's participation last year and we are looking forward to receiving your institution's response to the 2025 survey.

RTI International is the NSF contractor for the GSS. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Pauli at RTI at gss@rti.org or (919) 485-5598. You can also contact Michael Yamaner, NSF Project Officer at myamaner@nsf.gov or (703) 292-7815. Thank you in advance for your contribution to these important national statistics.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Emilda B. Rivers'.

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Director
National Center for Science and
Engineering Statistics
National Science Foundation

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Jon R. Lorsch, Ph.D.
Acting Deputy Director for
Extramural Research
National Institutes of Health

cc: <COORDINATOR NAME>

EMAIL – WEBINAR REGISTRATION

Subject: Webinar: An Introduction to the GSS

Dear <COORDINATOR NAME>,

We invite you to participate in a webinar on the 2025 NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS). This webinar will be conducted on Thursday, November 6, 2025, from 2 – 3:00 pm EST.

This webinar is intended for new coordinators to the GSS but can also be a good refresher for veteran coordinators. This webinar will cover basic information about the GSS (i.e., background and data use), changes data collection, procedures for completing the survey, best practices, and survey support resources. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions at the end.

Please register for the webinar at <Registration_Link>

For those who are unable to attend, a recording will be posted on the Helpful Resources page found on the GSS web instrument approximately 2-3 weeks after the presentation.

If you have any questions about this webinar, please contact the GSS helpdesk at gss@rti.org, or 866-558-0781.

Sincerely,

Michael Yamaner
Project Officer
Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering
National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics
National Science Foundation

EMAIL – PROMPT FOR PAST DUE SCREENER (COORDINATOR VERSION)

Subject: NSF-NIH GSS Past Due Screener Page

Dear <COORDINATOR NAME>,

This is a reminder that the Screener Page was due on November 28th for the 2025 NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS), sponsored by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

At this time, we request that you complete the Screener Page as soon as possible.

Below is the access information on GSS Web survey:

GSS Web: <https://nsgss.org/2025>

User ID: <USERID>

Password: <PASSWORD>

Institution: <SCHOOL NAME>

If you have any questions about the survey, please contact us at gss@rti.org, or toll free at (866) 558-0781.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Pauli
GSS Data Collection Manager
RTI International

EMAIL – PROMPT FOR PAST DUE SCREENER PAGE (ALT/PROXY VERSION)

Subject: NSF-NIH GSS Past Due Screener Page

The below email was sent to the GSS coordinator at your institution. You are receiving a copy of this email per their request.

Dear <COORDINATOR NAME>,

This is a reminder that the Screener Page was due on November 28th for the 2025 NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS), sponsored by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

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Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Pauli
GSS Data Collection Manager
RTI International

EMAIL – FINAL PROMPT FOR PAST DUE SCREENER PAGE

Subject: NSF-NIH Past Due Screener Page Final Reminder

Dear <COORDINATOR NAME>,

This is the final reminder that the Screener Page for the 2025 NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS) was due on November 28th. We ask that you access the system as soon as possible and complete the Screener Page.

Below is the access information on GSS Web survey:

GSS Web: <https://nsfgss.org/2025>

User ID: <USERID>

Password: <PASSWORD>

Institution: <SCHOOL NAME>

If you have any questions about the survey or need assistance completing the Screener Page, please contact us at gss@rti.org, or toll-free at (866) 558-0781.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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EMAIL – REMINDER OF UPCOMING SURVEY DUE DATE (COORDINATOR VERSION)

Subject: Reminder of the Survey of Graduate Students in Science and Engineering (GSS) Due Date – February 27, 2026

Dear <COORDINATOR NAME>,

This is a friendly reminder that the February 27, 2026, deadline for completing the 2025 NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS) is only a month away.

To ensure timely publication of these data the GSS will be unable to accept any new data after March 31, 2026. Part of our end of collection follow-up will be to contact institution presidents to ask them to assist us in obtaining their school's data. In order, to prevent this communication data must be submitted by March 6, 2026.

Below is information for accessing the GSS Web survey for <SCHOOL NAME>:

GSS Web: <https://nsfgss.org/2025>
User ID: <USERID>
Password: <PASSWORD>
School: <SCHOOL NAME>

If there is anything we can do to help you or you think you will need additional time, please contact us at gss@rti.org, or toll-free at (866) 558-0781. We can help send reminder notices to other unit respondents at your school or provide more information on the survey.

We look forward to the opportunity to assist you. Thank you for your continued support of the GSS.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Pauli
GSS Data Collection Manager
RTI International

EMAIL – REMINDER OF UPCOMING SURVEY DUE DATE (PROXIES AND ALT EMAIL)

The below email was sent to your institution's GSS coordinator. You are being sent a copy per their request.

Subject: Reminder of the Survey of Graduate Students in Science and Engineering (GSS) Due Date – February 27, 2026

Dear <COORDINATOR NAME>,

This is a friendly reminder that the February 27, 2026, deadline for completing the 2025 NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS) is only a month away.

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Sincerely,

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PHONE - REMINDER PROMPT OF UPCOMING DUE DATE

Hello, my name is (_____) and I'm calling on behalf of the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH) regarding the 2025 Survey of Graduate Students and Postdocs in Science and Engineering (GSS).

We just wanted to remind you that the deadline to complete the 2025 GSS is February 27th.

Is there anything we could do to help you meet this deadline? Do you have any questions regarding the GSS?

[IF Coordinator requests an extension, you can grant it reminding it will be March 13th]

If you need to contact us, you can email us at gss@rti.org or call our toll-free number at 866-558-0781. Thank you for your time.

ANSWERING MACHINE SCRIPT

Hello, my name is (_____) and I'm calling on behalf of the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health regarding the 2025 Survey of Graduate Students and Postdocs in Science and Engineering.

We wanted to remind you that the survey is due on February 27th. If you have any questions or concerns about your ability to respond in time, please email us at gss@rti.org or call us at 866-558-0781.

Thank you.

EMAIL – EXTENSION GRANTED

Subject: <SCHOOL NAME>'s 2025 GSS Due Date Extension Request

Dear <COORDINATOR NAME>:

On behalf of NSF, <SCHOOL NAME> is granted an extension to March 13, 2026 [or custom date], to submit the 2025 GSS data. We hope this extension will help you to do everything possible to submit the GSS data by that extension date.

The GSS data from <SCHOOL NAME> are very important to NSF and NIH, and the amount of time and hard work it takes on the part of you and your staff to collect and submit this information are very much appreciated.

In attempt to deliver final data earlier the GSS will be unable to accept any new data after March 31, 2026. Part of our end of collection follow-up will be to contact institution presidents to ask them to assist us in obtaining their school's data. In order, to prevent this communication data must be submitted by this extension date.

If you have any questions with the GSS Web survey or need any other assistance, please call me at (919) 485-5598, or the GSS Help Desk's toll-free number, (866) 558-0781.

We look forward to receiving your institution's data. Thank you again for your contribution to this important research effort.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Pauli
GSS Data Collection Manager
RTI International

EMAIL – MISSED DUE DATE (COORDINATOR VERSION)

Subject: Important request from NSF and NIH

Dear <COORDINATOR NAME>,

As of today, we still need your institution's complete response to the 2025 Survey of Graduate Students in Science and Engineering (GSS). Please finish your survey response as soon as possible. The survey deadline was February 27th.

As we near the final stage of the 2025 GSS data collection, we want to make sure <SCHOOL NAME>'s counts of graduate students, postdocs and nonfaculty researcher are included in our annual reports and databases. Part of our final follow-up effort will be to contact institution presidents to ask them to assist us in obtaining their school's data. Your response by March 6th will expedite our closeout activities and ensure timely publication of these data.

Please login to the GSS Website and complete the survey by March 6, 2026.

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User ID: <USER ID>

Password: <PASSWORD>

School: <SCHOOL NAME>

If you have any questions or need assistance, please send an email to the GSS Help Desk at gss@rti.org or call them toll-free at (866) 558-0781.

We very much appreciate your assistance and look forward to receiving your response soon.

Michael I. Yamaner
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National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics
National Science Foundation

EMAIL – MISSED DUE DATE (PROXY/ALT VERSION)

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National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics
National Science Foundation

EMAIL – UPCOMING EXTENSION DUE DATE REMINDER (COORDINATOR VERSION)

Subject: The final due date of March 13, 2026, for submitting 2025 GSS data

Dear <COORDINATOR NAME>,

The extended deadline is March 13, 2026, for submitting the National Science Foundation's 2025 Survey of Graduate Students in Science and Engineering (GSS). We would appreciate your commitment to complete and submit your institution's GSS data by that date.

As we near the final stage of the 2025 GSS data collection, we want to make sure to include <SCHOOL NAME> counts of graduate students, postdocs and nonfaculty researchers in our annual reports and databases. Part of our final follow-up effort will be to contact institution presidents to ask them to assist us in obtaining their school's data. Your response by March 13th will expedite our closeout activities and ensure timely publication of these data.

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User ID: <USER ID>
Password: <PASSWORD>
School: <SCHOOL NAME>

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Project Officer
Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering
National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics
National Science Foundation



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in Science and Engineering

Fall 2025

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EMAIL - PRESIDENT LETTER NONRESPONDING

SUBJECT: ATTN NEEDED: REQUEST TO COMPLETE THE NSF-NIH SURVEY OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND POSTDOCTORATES IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

<DATE>

<PRESIDENT NAME>

<JOB TITLE>

<INSTITUTION NAME>

<ADDRESS LINE 1>

<ADDRESS LINE 2>

<CITY>, <STATE> <ZIPCODE>

Dear <PRESIDENT NAME>:

We are writing to enlist your help for the 2025 Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS). As of today, we have not received your institution's response to the GSS, and we are reluctant to close this year's survey without the data from <INSTITUTION NAME>.

<COORDINATOR NAME> serves as your institution's GSS coordinator. We would appreciate anything you can do to help <COORDINATOR NAME> provide the requested information.

If we receive your institution's response by March 31, 2026, we can include your institution in our annual report of trends for approximately 595 colleges and universities. Otherwise, your institution will be left out of the GSS report that displays institution-level data.

The GSS is the only national survey that collects department-level information about graduate enrollment, postdoc appointments, and nonfaculty research positions in science, engineering, and health fields. The soundness of policy and other decisions based on the GSS results depends heavily on the efforts of your staff to provide complete and accurate data.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Yamaner, NSF Project Officer, at myamaner@nsf.gov or (703) 292-7815.

We value your support of the GSS and the efforts of your staff in responding to the survey.

Sincerely,

Emilda Rivers
Director

Jon R. Lorsch, Ph.D.
Acting Deputy Director for



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National Institutes of Health

cc: <COORDINATOR NAME>

EMAIL - PRESIDENT THANK YOU LETTER

**SUBJECT: THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE SURVEY OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND
POSTDOCTORATES IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FALL 2025**

<DATE>

<PRESIDENT NAME>
<JOB TITLE>
<INSTITUTION NAME>
<ADDRESS LINE 1>
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Dear <PRESIDENT NAME>:

On behalf of the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health, we want to recognize the efforts of <COORDINATOR NAME> as <INSTITUTION NAME>'s school coordinator(s) for the 2025 Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering (GSS).

Without the accurate and timely work of our GSS coordinators at approximately 595 postsecondary institutions nationwide, we would not be able to compile our annual statistics on graduate enrollment, postdocs, and nonfaculty researchers in science, engineering, and health fields. We are extremely grateful and appreciative of the extra efforts of your staff outside of their assigned workloads.

Thank you so much for your continuing support of the NSF-NIH Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering.

Sincerely,

Emilda Rivers
Director
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