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8:30 a.m.  GENERAL GRANT WRITING CONCEPTS  
Introduction to the Seminar  
The three requirements needed for success in any application  
   Your idea!  
   Your commitment to the process!  
   Your grantsmanship skills!  
NSF Grant Applications – similarities of all formats

9:15 a.m.  NSF ORGANIZATION AND STRUCTURE  
Understanding NSF funding priorities  
The importance of NSF Program Officials  
Different NSF funding mechanisms

10:15 a.m.  MORNING BREAK

10:30 a.m.  PREPARATION OF THE APPLICATION – General Concepts  
How to create a compelling Overview & Objectives section

12:00 p.m.  LUNCH BREAK

1:00 p.m.  Research Plan / Education Plan  
Expected Significance / Intellectual Merit  
Creativity, Originality & Transformative Potential  
Review of the Relevant Literature  
Relation to Other Work in Progress  
Relation to PI’s Longer-term Goals  
Preliminary Studies

2:30 p.m.  AFTERNOON BREAK

2:45 p.m.  Biographical Sketches and Environment  
Broader Impacts  
Budget – general concepts  
Titles  
Project Summary  
Critical internal review of your proposal

4:00 p.m.  THE REVIEW PROCESS  
The concept of peer review  
Common assumptions about peer review  
Recommending or excluding reviewers  
Implicit vs. explicit review criteria at NSF  
NSF review and procedures

4:30 p.m.  GENERAL DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

* Schedule is approximate depending upon scope and extent of discussion.