NSF Third Year Site Visit FAQ

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Q. What is the purpose of the third year site visit?

A. To assess project performance & to provide feedback

A. To evaluate progress towards institutional transformation & institutionalization of program initiatives
Q. Who will be part of the site visit team?

A. 9 site team members
   • 6 visitors with relevant content expertise
   • 3 NSF program staff members

A. We find out who they are approximately 2 weeks before visit
Q. When does the site visit take place?

A. November 17 & November 18, 2009 (Tuesday & Wednesday)

A. Interviews take place during the afternoon of the first day & morning of the second day
Q. How are the interviews structured?

A. Three “teams” of two members each, allowing three sets of concurrent interviews
A. Some interviews are individual & some are focus groups
A. Interview slots are 30 MINUTES each
A. Copies of agenda & interview schedule to be distributed today
Q. Where will the interviews take place?

A. Vartan Gregorian Quad 116
   (101 Thayer Street)

A. Please arrive **10 MINUTES** before your scheduled interview time

A. ADVANCE team will be available to greet you & answer questions

A. Snacks & beverages will be available
Q. What questions are we likely to be asked?

A. What is your perception of ADVANCE’s impact to date?

A. What are the program’s strengths & areas of improvement?

A. What will happen to program initiatives when the grant ends?
Q. What does the site team want to hear?

A. Honest perceptions of our work to date
A. Areas where our program can improve
A. Ways in which THEY can be of help
Mission Statement

Funded by a 5-year National Science Foundation grant, ADVANCE at Brown seeks to increase the retention and advancement of women faculty in science and engineering by making formal and equitably available those mechanisms that promote career success for all faculty scientists—mechanisms including faculty mentoring, grant seeking and external funding support, and tools for becoming leaders in academic and scientific communities.
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Program Components

• Leadership Program (Award Programs)
  • Career Development Award
  • Scientific Leadership Award
  • Administrator Shadowing Program
  • Leadership Support Fund
  • Travel Grant (New Initiative)

• Faculty Development
  • Mentoring Program
  • Sponsored Project Support (Finding Grants)
  • Work/Family Balance

• Transforming Academic Departments (Chair Support)

• Visiting Scholars Program
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