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Advertising and Public Relation	<p><u>Allowable:</u> Recruitment of grant personnel; procurement of goods and services; and disposal of surplus materials except when disposal cost is reimbursed.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> Other advertising costs not specified; costs of meetings and related activities including, displays, demonstrations, exhibits, cost of space rental, salaries and wages for employees doing set up; cost for promotional material and gifts; costs for solely promoting the government unit</p>	200.421	Advertising	<p><u>Allowable:</u> Recruitment of grant personnel; procurement of goods and services; and disposal of surplus materials except when disposal cost is reimbursed.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> Other advertising costs not specified; costs of meetings and related activities including, displays, demonstrations, exhibits, cost of space rental, salaries and wages for employees doing set up; cost for promotional material and gifts; costs for solely promoting the government unit</p>	1
Advisory Councils	<u>Allowable:</u> With prior specific approval.	200.422 Also refer to: 200.407	Advisory Councils or Committees	<u>Allowable:</u> with prior specific approval.	2
Alcoholic Beverages	<u>Unallowable.</u>	200.423	Alcoholic Beverages	<u>Unallowable.</u>	3
Alumni/ae Activities	<u>Unallowable.</u>	200.424	NA		
Audit Services	<u>Allowable:</u> Audits required by and conducted in accordance with the Single Audit Act.	200.425	Audit Costs and Related Services	<u>Allowable:</u> Audits required by and conducted in accordance with the Single Audit Act.	4
Bad Debts	<u>Unallowable.</u>	200.426	Bad Debts	<u>Unallowable.</u>	5
Bonding Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> Costs required by terms of the award; costs required by the agency to conduct business in accordance with sound business practice and rates.	200.427	Bonding Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> Costs required by terms of the award; costs required by the agency to conduct business in accordance with sound business practice and rates.	6
Collection of Improper Payment	<u>Allowable.</u>	200.428			

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Commencement and Convocation Costs	<u>Unallowable.</u>	200.429			
		Refer to: 200.453	Communication Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> communication devices such as cellular phones, calendaring systems such as personal digital assistants (PDAs). <u>Unallowable:</u> Cellular phone calls for personal use.	7
Compensation – Personal Services	<u>Allowable:</u> compensation for personal services includes all remuneration, paid currently or accrued, for services or employees rendered during the period of performance un the federal award, including but not limited to wages and salaries.	200.430	Compensation for Personal Services	<u>Allowable:</u> costs that are reasonable, comparable to similar work, and charges are supported with time distribution records or other documentation.	8
Compensation – Fringe Benefits	<u>Allowable:</u> including but not limited to costs of leave, employee insurance, pensions, and unemployment benefit plans.	200.431			
Conferences	<u>Allowable:</u> <i>a conference is defined as a meeting, retreat, seminar, symposium, workshop or event with a primary purpose to disseminate technical information beyond the non-federal entity and is necessary and reasonable for successful performance of the federal award.</i> It may include rental of facilities, speakers' fees, costs of meals and refreshments, local transportation, and other incidental items. * Minimize costs.	200.432	Conferences and Meetings	<u>Allowable:</u> costs of meetings and conferences including transportation, room rental charges, speakers' fees, and incidental items. <u>Unallowable:</u> entertainment cost.	27

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Construction, Remodeling, or Alterations	<u>Allowable</u> : only with prior specific approval.	200.407			
Contingency Provisions	<u>Allowable</u> : as part of a budget estimate of future costs (typically of large construction projects, IT systems, or other items if necessary and reasonable for proper and efficient accomplishment of the project or program objectives, and prior specific approval.	200.433 Also refer to: 200.407	Contingencies	<u>Unallowable</u> . Exclusion: self-insurance reserves, pension plan reserves, post-retirement health, and other benefit reserves.	9
Contributions and Donations	<u>Allowable</u> : the value of services and property donated to the non-federal entity may be used to meet cost sharing or matching requirements. <u>Unallowable</u> : costs of contributions and donations, including cash, property, and services, from the non-federal entity to other entities.	200.434	Donations and Contributions	<u>Allowable</u> : the value of services and property donated to the non-federal entity may be used to meet cost sharing or matching requirements. <u>Unallowable</u> : costs of contributions and donations, including cash, property, and services, from the non-federal entity to other entities.	12
Defense and Prosecution of Criminal and Civil Proceedings, Claims, Appeals and Patent Infringements	<u>Allowable</u> : legal expenses required in the administration of the non-federal entity, including whistleblower complaints. <u>Unallowable</u> : costs incurred in connection with the defense of suits brought by employees or ex-employees under the Major Fraud Act, where the non-federal entity is found liable or settled; costs of prosecution of claims and appeals against the federal government; and costs incurred for patent infringement litigation.	200.435	Defense and Prosecution of Criminal and Civil Proceedings and Claims	<u>Allowable</u> : legal expenses required in the administration of federal programs. <u>Unallowable</u> : in defense of any civil or criminal fraud proceeding where the contractor is found liable to fraud; by a contractor in connection with any criminal, civil, or administrative proceedings; prosecution of claims against the federal government.	10

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Depreciation	<u>Allowable:</u> as the method for allocating the cost of fixed assets to periods benefiting from asset use. The non-federal entity may be compensated for the use of its buildings, capital improvements, equipment, and software projects capitalized in accordance with GAAP, provided they have useful service or useful life established.	200.436	Depreciation and Use Allowances	<u>Allowable.</u>	11
Employee Health and Welfare Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for costs incurred in accordance with the non-federal entity's documented policies for the improvement of working conditions, employer-employee relations, employee health, and employee performance.	200.437	Employee Morale, Health and Welfare	<u>Allowable:</u> for cost of employee information publications, health or first-aid and/or infirmaries, recreational activities, employee counseling services, and any other expenses incurred in accordance with the non-federal entity's established practice.	13
Entertainment Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> only costs that might otherwise be considered entertainment having a programmatic purpose and are authorized either in the approved budget or with prior specific approval. <u>Unallowable:</u> costs of entertainment, including amusement, diversion, and social activities and any associated costs.	200.438	Entertainment	<u>Unallowable.</u>	14
Equipment and Other Capital Expenditures	<u>Allowable:</u> capital expenditures for special purpose equipment, provided that items with a unit cost of \$5,000 or more have prior specific approval.	200.439	Equipment and Other Capital Expenditures	<u>Allowable:</u> capital expenditures for special purpose equipment, provided that items with a unit cost of \$5,000 or more have prior specific approval.	15

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Equipment and Other Capital Expenditures (continued)	Unallowable: capital expenditures for general purpose equipment, buildings, and land, as well as improvements to land, buildings, or equipment that materially increases their value of useful life, except with prior specific approval.	200.439	Equipment and Other Capital Expenditures (continued)	Unallowable: capital expenditures for general purpose equipment, buildings, and land, as well as improvements to land, buildings, or equipment that materially increases their value of useful life, except with prior specific approval.	15
Exchange Rates	Allowable: for cost increases due to fluctuations in exchange rates, with prior specific approval.	200.440			
Fines, Penalties, Damages, and Other Settlements	Unallowable: for costs resulting from non-federal entity violations or failure to comply with federal, state, tribal, local, or foreign laws and regulations. Exception: when incurred as a result of compliance with specific provisions of the federal award, or with prior specific approval.	200.441	Fines and Penalties	Unallowable: except when incurred as a result of compliance with specific federal award provisions.	16
Fundraising and Investment Management Costs	Allowable: fundraising costs for the purpose of meeting the federal program objectives, with specific prior approval. Unallowable: costs of organized fundraising, including financial campaigns, endowment drives, solicitation of gifts and bequests, and similar expenses incurred to raise capital or obtain contributions.	200.442	Fundraising and Investment Management Costs	Allowable: for costs associated with investments covering pensions, self-insurance, or other funds which include federal participation. Unallowable: costs of organized fundraising and similar expenses incurred to raise capital or obtain contributions.	17
Gains and Losses on Disposition of Depreciated Assets	Allowable.	200.443	Gains and Losses on Disposition of Depreciable Property and other Capital Assets ...	Allowable.	18

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General Costs of Government	<p><u>Allowable:</u> for Indian Tribes and Councils of Governments per Provision 200.64 (Local Government), the portion of salaries and expenses directly attributable to managing and operating federal programs by the Chief Executive and staff. Up to 50% of these costs can be included in the indirect cost calculation.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> general costs of government.</p>	200.444	General Government Expenses	<u>Unallowable.</u>	19
Goods or Services for Personal Use	<p><u>Allowable:</u> costs of housing (e.g. depreciation, maintenance, utilities, furnishings, rent), housing allowances and personal living expenses, only as direct costs and with specific prior approval.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> costs of goods or services for personal use.</p>	200.445	Goods or Services for Personal Use	<u>Unallowable.</u>	20
Idle Facilities and Idle Capacity	<p><u>Unallowable:</u> except to the extent that they are necessary to meet workload requirements, they were necessary when acquired and are now idle because of changes in program requirements, efforts to achieve more economical operations, reorganization, termination, or other causes which could not have been reasonably foreseen. Up to one year.</p>	200.446	Idle Facilities and Capacity	<p><u>Unallowable:</u> except to the extent that they are normal costs of doing business and are a factor in the normal fluctuations of usage an indirect cost rates, are necessary because of changes in program requirements; and capacity is reasonably anticipated to be necessary.</p>	21

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Insurance and Indemnification	<p><u>Allowable:</u> insurance required or approved and maintained pursuant to the federal award; and costs of other insurance in connection with the general conduct of activities, subject to limitations.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> Actual loses which could have been covered by permissible insurance; and commercial insurance protecting against the contractor's own defects in materials and workmanship.</p>	200.447	Insurance and Indemnity	<p><u>Allowable:</u> insurance required or approved and maintained pursuant to the federal award; insurance in connection with general conduct of activities; cost incurred because of losses not covered under nominal deductible insurance; contributions to a reserve for certain self-insured programs; and actual claims paid for workers compensation.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> Actual loses which could have been covered by permissible insurance; and commercial insurance protecting against the contractor's own defects in materials and workmanship.</p>	22
Intellectual Property	<p><u>Allowable:</u> costs related to securing patents and copyrights; royalties and other costs for use of patents and copyrights.</p>	200.448			
Interest	<p><u>Allowable:</u> financing costs (including interest) to acquire, construct, or replace capital assets.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> costs incurred for interest on borrowed capital, temporary use of endowment funds, or use of the non-federal entity's own funds.</p>	200.449	Interest	<p><u>Allowable:</u> financing costs (including interest) paid or incurred which are associated with the allowable costs of building purchase, construction, or remodeling; and financing (including interest) paid or incurred for land or associated with otherwise allowable costs of equipment.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> costs incurred for interest on borrowed capital or the use of the government unit's own funds.</p>	23

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Lobbying	Unallowable.	200.450	Lobbying	Unallowable.	24
Losses on Other Awards or Contracts	Unallowable.	200.451			
Maintenance and Repair Costs	<p><u>Allowable:</u> costs incurred for utilities, insurance, security, necessary maintenance, janitorial services, repair, or upkeep of buildings and equipment to keep maintain efficient operating condition.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> Improvements which add to the permanent value of the buildings and equipment or appreciably prolong their intended life. Refer to 200.439.</p>	200.452	Maintenance, Operations, and Repairs	<u>Allowable.</u>	25
Materials and Supplies Costs, Including Costs of Computing Devices	<u>Allowable:</u> costs incurred for materials, supplies, and fabricated parts necessary to carry out the federal award; computing devices that are essential may be charged as a direct cost.	200.453	Materials and Supplies	<u>Allowable.</u>	26
Memberships, Subscriptions, and Professional Activity Costs	<p><u>Allowable:</u> costs of membership in business, technical, and professional organizations; costs of subscriptions to business, professional, and technical periodicals; costs of membership in any civic or community organization needs specific prior approval.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> costs of membership in organizations that lobby.</p>	200.454	Memberships	<p><u>Allowable:</u> costs of membership in business, technical, and professional organizations; costs of subscriptions to business, professional, and technical periodicals; costs of membership in any civic or community organization needs specific prior approval.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> costs of membership in organizations that lobby.</p>	28

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		Refer to: 200.435	Patents	<p><u>Allowable:</u> preparation of disclosures, reports and other required documents; preparation of documents and costs in connection with filing and prosecution; general counseling related to patent and copyright.</p> <p><u>Unallowable:</u> preparation of disclosures, reports, and other documents not required.</p>	29
Organization Costs	<u>Unallowable:</u> costs of incorporation fees, brokers' fees, fees to promoters, organizers or management consultants, attorneys, accountants, or investment counselors. Exception with specific prior approval.	200.455			
Participant Support Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> as defined in 200.75 for direct cost of items such as stipends, or subsistence or travel allowances, and registration fees paid to or on behalf of trainees or participants (<i>but not employees</i>) in connection with conferences or training projects.	200.456 Also refer to: 200.75			
Plant and Security Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> necessary and reasonable expenses incurred for routine and security to protect facilities, personnel, and work products. Capital expenditures are subject to 200.439 Equipment.	200.457 Also refer to: 200.439	Plant and Homeland Security Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> necessary and reasonable expenses incurred for routine and homeland security to protect facilities, personnel, and work products.	30
Pre-Award Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> if necessary for efficient and timely performance of the scope of work. Must have specific prior approval.	200.458	Pre-Award Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> must have specific prior approval.	31

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Professional Service Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for the costs of professionals and consultant services rendered by persons who are members of a particular profession or possess a special skill (<i>and are not officers or employees of the non-federal entity</i>).	200.459	Professional Service Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for the costs of professionals and consultant services rendered by persons who are members of a particular profession or possess a special skill (<i>and are not officers or employees of the non-federal entity</i>).	32
Proposal Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for costs of preparing bids, proposals, or applications on potential federal and non-federal awards and projects, including the development of data.	200.460	Proposal Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for costs of preparing bids, proposals, or applications on potential federal and non-federal awards and projects, including the development of data.	33
Publication and Printing Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> publication costs for electronic and print media, including distribution, promotion, and general handling.	200.461	Publication and Printing Costs	<u>Allowable.</u>	34
Rearrangement and reconversion Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for ordinary and normal rearrangements and alterations of facilities. Costs of restoration or rehabilitation to approximately the same condition existing prior to commencement of the federal award, less costs related to normal wear and tear. Special arrangements and alteration costs must have specific prior approval.	200.462	Rearrangement and Alteration Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for ordinary and normal rearrangements and alterations of facilities. Special arrangements and alteration costs must have specific prior approval.	35
		Refer to: 200.462	Reconversion Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> Costs of restoration or rehabilitation to approximately the same condition existing prior to commencement of the federal award, less costs related to normal wear and tear.	36

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Recruiting Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for “help wanted” advertising, operation of an employment office to secure and maintain staff, cost of operating an aptitude/educational testing program, travel costs of employees while recruiting, travel costs of applicants for interviews, and relocation costs.	200.463			
Relocation Costs of Employees	<u>Allowable:</u> for costs incident to the permanent change of duty assignment of not less than 12 months of an existing employee or upon recruitment of a new employee.	200.464 Also refer to: 200.474			
Rental Costs of Real Property and Equipment	<u>Allowable:</u> to the extent that the rates are comparable to that of other rental property.	200.465	Rental Costs of Buildings and Equipment	<u>Allowable:</u> to the extent that the rates are comparable to that of other rental property.	37
		Refer to: 200.435	Royalties and Other Costs for the Use of Patents	<u>Allowable.</u>	38
Scholarships and Student Aid Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for costs of scholarships, fellowships, tuition, compensation, and other programs of student aid as it relates to providing training to selected participants.	200.466			
Selling and Marketing Costs	<u>Unallowable:</u> unless allowed under 200.421 (advertising and Public Relations) as a direct cost with specific prior approval.	200.467 Also refer to: 200.421	Selling and Marketing	<u>Unallowable.</u>	39
Taxes	<u>Allowable:</u> for tax and Value Added Tax (VAT) that are legally required to be paid. <u>Unallowable:</u> self-assessed taxes.	200.470	Taxes	<u>Allowable:</u> except for self-assessed taxes.	40

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Termination Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> with evidence to retain items at cost without sustaining a loss, including costs that cannot be discontinued immediately after the effective date of the termination. Includes loss of the useful value of special tooling, machinery, and equipment (if not capable of use in other work for the non-federal entity); rental costs under unexpired leases; settlement expenses including accounting, legal, and clerical; and claims under sub-awards.	200.471	Termination of Grant Award	<u>Allowable:</u> for certain costs that cannot be discontinued; loss of useful value of special tooling, machinery, and equipment; rental costs under expired leases.	41
Training Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for the cost of training and education provided for employee development.	200.472	Training Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for the cost of training provided for employee development.	42
Transportation Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for costs of freight, express, cartage, postage, and other transportation services relating either to goods purchased, in process, or delivered.	200.473			
Travel Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for transportation, lodging, subsistence, and related items incurred by employees who are in travel status on official business of the non-federal entity.	200.474	Travel Costs	<u>Allowable:</u> for transportation, lodging, subsistence, and related items incurred by employees who are in travel status on official business of the government unit.	43
Trustees	<u>Allowable:</u> for travel and subsistence costs of trustees (or directors) at IHEs and nonprofit organizations.	200.475 Refer to: 200.474			