

Theoretical/Conceptual Framework

Adapted for NSF CAREER

Key underlying problem
(becomes the sentence that starts paragraph 1)

Key foundational
knowledge

Your
contribution to
date in this area

Barrier to progress
in solving
underlying problem

Overarching Purpose
(teacher/scholar)

Important next
step in the
research

Key preliminary work

Central Hypothesis

How you plan to
test hypothesis

Integration of
research and
education plan

How you plan to
carry out education
plan/why you?

Aim 1: Problem Solution

Aim 2: Problem Solution

Aim 3: Education Plan (problem and solution)

Impact of the work
(Relates to Key
Problem and impact
of education plan)

