

Funding Proposals — Common Rejection Reasons

Common reasons funding proposals are rejected:

- 18% forgot to number the pages.
- 73% forgot to include a table of contents.
- 81% had no abstract.
- 92% failed to provide resumes of proposed consultants.
- 25% had no resume for the principal investigator.
- 66% included no plan for project evaluation.
- 17% forgot to identify the project director by name.
- 20% failed to list the objectives of the project.

This information comes from a study by the Bureau of Occupational and Vocational Education. It is based on a sample of 353 research grant applications. See <http://www.gpc.edu/~ebrown/infobr3.htm#stages>.