

A close-up photograph of a propeller on a blue and white aircraft. The propeller is black with a yellow tip and is mounted on a blue engine housing. The aircraft's fuselage is silver with blue stripes and rivets.

Proposed Study Questions

Joint Center for Aerospace Technology Innovation Sunset Review

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In 2012, the Joint Center for Aerospace Technology Innovation (JCATI) was created to:

Pursue joint **industry-university research** in new technologies relevant to aerospace.

Enhance education of university engineering students through industry-focused research.

Work with aerospace firms and industry associations to **identify research needs**.

JCATI

Provides grants to Washington's public universities for industry-focused aerospace research.

Legislature appropriated \$3M to JCATI in the 2017-2019 biennium.

JCATI funds approximately 16 grants annually.

Grants range from \$30,000-\$127,000

Has a Governor appointed board of directors and is located at UW.



JCATI is subject to the Sunset Act

(RCW 43.131)

JCATI will automatically terminate in 2020 unless the Legislature reauthorizes it.

Sunset Act directs JLARC to review entities in the year prior to termination date.

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To what extent has JCATI **complied with the legislative intent?**

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To what extent does JCATI provide for **efficient and economical management of research grants?**

3

To what extent has JCATI **achieved its performance measures?**

4

To what extent does JCATI **duplicate the activities of another agency or the private sector?**



Next Steps

Preliminary Report | **September 2019**
Proposed Final Report | **December 2019**

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