Sponsored Programs Newsletter

Congratulations to all of the 2015 – 2016 PSC-CUNY Research Award Program Grantees!

**Faculty that received Enhanced Awards (Up to $12,000):**

- Gail Garfield (Sociology)
- David Munns (History)
- Claudia Calirman (Art & Music)
- Seth Baumrin (Communication & Theatre Arts)
- David Brotherton (Sociology)

**Faculty that received Traditional B Awards (Up to $6,000):**

- Amy Adamczyk (Sociology)
- Dale Barleben (English)
- Rodrick Colvin (Public Management)
- Al Coppola (English)
- Crystal Endsley (Africana Studies)
- Marcia Esparza (Criminal Justice)
- Robert Garot (Sociology)
- Amy Green (Interdisciplinary Studies Program & Comm. Theatre Arts)
- Devin Harner (English)
- Elizabeth Jeglic (Psychology)
- Helen Kapstein (English)
- Anru Lee (Anthropology)
- Cyriaco Lopes (Art & Music)
- Samantha Majic (Political Science)
- Nivedita Majumdar (English)
- Maxwell Mak (Political Science)
- Sara McDougall (History)
- Chongmin Na (Criminal Justice)
- Hyunhee Park (History)
- Eric Piza (Law & Police Science)
- Jason Rauceo (Science)
- Jennifer Rosati (Science)
- Maria Julia Rossi (Modern Language & Literature)
- Raul Rubio (Modern Languages & Literatures)
- Gabrielle Salfati (Psychology)
- Monica Varsanyi (Political Science)
- Maria Volpe (Sociology)
- Kevin Wolff (Criminal Justice)
- Yuliya Zabyelina (Political Science)

**Faculty that received Traditional A Awards (Up to $3,500):**

- Ellen Belcher (Library)
- Janice Bockmeyer (Political Science)
- Heath Brown (Public Management)
- Dara Byrne (Macaulay Honors College)
- Katarzyna Celinska (Law & Police Science)
- Elise Champeil (Science)
- Shu-Yuan Cheng (Science)
- Kathleen Collins (Library)
- James DiGiovanna (Philosophy)
- Anila Duro (Law & Police Science)
- Mary Gibson (History)
- Jillian-Grose Fifer (Psychology)
- Yi He (Science)
- Robin Kempf (Public Management)
- Ekaterina Korobkova (Science)
- Richard Li (Science)
- Alexandra Moffett-Bateau (Political Sci)
- Jayne Mooney (Sociology)
- Chitra Raghavan (Psychology)
- Deryn Strange (Psychology)
- Klaus Von Lampe (Law & Police Science)
- Charlotte Walker-Said (Africana Studies)
- Rebecca Weiss (Psychology)

Proposal Submissions:

Easy as 1-2-3 Weeks!

Thinking about submitting a proposal?

OSP is here to help!
Please contact us as soon as you find a grant opportunity you want to apply for. Please notify OSP of your intent to apply at least three weeks in advance of the deadline. You may contact OSP at 212-237-8448.
Did You Know?

- If you have forgotten or do not have an RF logon ID, please email weblogin nid@rfcuny.org to obtain this information, and to gain access to the RF CUNY web pages and E-Systems.

- You can join our Listserv by clicking the link below http://listserv.jjay.cuny.edu/cgi-bin/wa.exe?SUBED1=SPONSOREDPROGRAMS&A=1 for up-to-date information on grants/sponsored programs.

- Planning to buy a computer on your RF-sponsored project? Please contact our representatives from Dell and Apple Higher Ed. By doing so you will be able to secure educational pricing and sales tax exemption.

  Dell Rep: Michael Carlson
  Email: Michael_Carlson@dell.com
  Phone: 512-513-9427

  Apple Rep: Heather Patrick
  Email: hpatrik @apple.com
  Phone: 800-800-2775 x 46907 or 512-674-2000
  Customer Account: 725195
  NYS PT65428, CCN4901

- Effective 1/1/16, the maximum amount of annual leave an employee may be permitted to carry-over into 2016 and subsequent calendar years shall be 175 hours.

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**Summer Salary System is NOW Open for 2015 Activity!**

As you will see, the basic workflow of the Summer Salary System has remained consistent with last year’s design.

The main sections of the Summer Salary System remain as before:

1) **Appointment**

   In this section, you can create the Summer Salary Appointment. This system’s approval process will follow the same work flow as in the past. The Principal Investigator (PI) creates the Appointment, the Grants Officer approves their request and the RF Project Administrator (PA) makes the final approval which then allows the Appointment amount to become encumbered on the sponsored account in question. The Appointment is entered as a one-time lump sum amount per employee per account. This eliminates the need to potentially enter three separate Appointments for each employee on each account to cover the entire summer period (June, July, and August).

2) **Payment Authorization**

   In this section, “after the fact” payment authorizations can be created and approved. After the RF PA makes their final approval in the “Appointment” process, an email notification will be sent to the PI and the Grants Officer alerting them to this fact. This now means that the “Payment Authorization” process can begin. The PI and/or the Grants Officer can then divide this encumbrance total over the six pay periods covering the entire summer period (June 1-15, 16-30, July 1-15, 16-31 and August 1-15, 16-30) as appropriate, and then “save” this information. As the time periods become retroactive, these “saved” amounts can be approved by the Principal Investigator and are required to be approved by the Grants Officer. Once these authorized amounts have been approved and are ready for payment, they will then appear on the “Summer Salary Payment Authorization Report” which is sent to the College’s payroll and grants offices according to the CUNY Summer Salary Pay Schedule.

3) **Summer Salary Schedule**

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4) **Effort Certification**

   This section will only be available for use during a 45 day window (9/1/2015 – 10/15/2015) after the 2015 summer period (6/1/15 – 8/31/15) has fully passed. On 9/1/2015, Principal Investigators will be able to certify the submitted effort of those with summer salary activity on their account(s) during the 2015 summer period. After the allotted 45 days, this “Effort Certification” section will no longer be active in the system and paper “Summer Salary PAR” submissions along with a letter of explanation from the PI’s Dean or Department Chair will be required for the certification of any additional summer salary activity. Please complete the certification online before 10/15/15.

   Please note that a user manual is accessible from within the system by clicking on the “Help” icon.
The Office of Sponsored Programs would like to thank the Research Foundation staff (From left to right: Yinet Rodriguez, Jane Kim, Antoinette Morizio and Joseph Vargas) for presenting at our Human Resources Information Session.

If you have a suggestion for a topic for future information sessions, please email your suggestions to sponsoredprograms@jjay.cuny.edu.

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**Annual Leave Liability on RF Projects**

With the upcoming modifications to the RF Time and Leave System to take effect on January 1, 2016, it is imperative that Principal Investigators and employees work together to manage employee annual leave balances during their appointment period. Early planning is the key to ensuring that ongoing projects are minimally impacted by the upcoming changes.

What should you be considering?

- Between now and December 31, 2015, encourage staff to monitor and manage their annual leave balances.
- Take advantage of the Summer Schedule and use annual leave hours to cover those Fridays the College will be closed.
- Check for old e-PAFs that need to be terminated and pay out any annual leave owed.
- Coordinate for the payout of any annual leave hours remaining at the end of an appointment.

In order to view your employee’s time and leave accruals, click on the “View Accruals” Tab in the Time and Leave System.

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**Summer Schedule 2015 for Project Employees on RF Payroll**

**Summer Schedule starts the week of June 22, 2015 through August 7, 2015**

PI’s and Time Keepers, please remember to change your employee’s Regular Work Schedule to the Summer Work Schedule in the Time and Leave System.

**Important:** Accurate payment requires that the correct schedule be activated for each week of the payroll. In the beginning and end of the summer season, as well as for the week of July 4, the pay period may have one week that uses the regular schedule and one week that uses the summer schedule.

If you do not know how to change your employee’s work schedule, please click on the following link for step by step visuals: [http://www.rfcuny.org/FilesDirectory/Client%20Services/documents/summer%20schedule%202015%20schedule.pdf](http://www.rfcuny.org/FilesDirectory/Client%20Services/documents/summer%20schedule%202015%20schedule.pdf)
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(NIH News) New NIH Bio-sketch Format

A new biographical sketch format is now required for NIH submissions. NIH encouraged applicants to use the newly published Bio-sketch format for all grant and cooperative agreement applications submitted with due dates on or after January 25, 2015, and now requires use of the new format for applications submitted with due dates on or after May 25, 2015. Please see http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-15-032.html for more information.

The forms can be accessed here: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/424/index.htm#format

Biographical Sketch Format Page – Forms Version C is the form you must now use for applications due 1/25/15 or later. And you can use the Biographical Sketch Sample – Forms Version C as an example. The new format is now required as of May 25, 2015.

(NIJ News) National Institute of Justice solicitations are available on the NIJ website. Continue to check website for updates, below are notices of topics of interest for 2015.

NIJ—Proposals for Social Science Research on Forensic Science

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) has issued a Dear Colleague letter to alert social and behavioral science researchers to its interest in receiving proposals related to the forensic sciences, including the administration and operation of forensics and their contribution to investigations. For Fiscal Year 2015, the NIJ Office of Research and Evaluation's (ORE's) particular interests in the social science research on forensic sciences include the following:

· Digital forensics, its prevalence in investigations and impact on arrest and prosecution outcomes.
· Ballistics forensic evidence, its use in prosecutions and impact in producing convictions or pleas.
· 3-D forensic laser scanners, their use in the field and in the courtroom.

NIJ contacts: Mr. Eric Martin at Eric.D.Martin@ojp.usdoj.gov and Dr. Katharine Browning at Katharine.browning@usdoj.gov.


NIJ—Proposals for Policing Research

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) has issued a Dear Colleague letter to alert social and behavioral science researchers to its interest in receiving proposals related to policing and crime that can strengthen the knowledge base and enhance criminal justice practices. For Fiscal Year 2015, the NIJ Office of Research and Evaluation’s particular interests in policing include topics such as:

· Police use of force, police legitimacy and de-escalation strategies.
· Officer safety and wellness and intervention programs.
· Evaluations of body-worn cameras, their benefits, costs and potential concerns.
· Evaluations of internal and external procedural justice training mechanisms and public trust.
· Randomized controlled trials of police patrol practices and their impact on crime reduction or prevention.
· The impact on police investigations of changes in policing and new technologies.
· The utility and effectiveness of eyewitness identification procedures.
· The impact of social media on policing and its efficacy.

NIJ contacts: Dr. Brett Chapman at Brett.Chapman@ojp.usdoj.gov and Mr. Eric Martin at Eric.D.Martin@ojp.usdoj.gov.


NIJ—Proposals for Corrections Research

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) has issued a Dear Colleague letter to alert social and behavioral science researchers to its interest in receiving proposals related to corrections that can strengthen the knowledge base and enhance corrections practices. For Fiscal Year 2015, the NIJ Office of Research and Evaluation’s particular interests in corrections research include but are not limited to the following:

· Alternatives to incarceration, their consequences and cost effectiveness.
· Correctional officer safety and wellness, coping mechanisms and intervention programs.
· The impact of the prison experience and facility characteristics on reentry.
· Short- and long-term implications of offender employment, discrimination and redemption.

NIJ Contacts: Dr. Marie Garcia at Marie.Garcia@usdoj.gov. Applicants interested in employment and redemption should contact Ms. Marilyn Moses at Marilyn.Moses@usdoj.gov.

Grant Spotlight

Jason Rauceo, PhD
Assistant Professor, Department of Sciences

Dr. Jason Rauceo is Assistant Professor of Biology in the Department of Sciences at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. His research focuses on Candida albicans, the most common opportunistic fungal pathogen in humans. C. albicans causes superficial to potentially deadly systemic infections and is the 3rd most common hospital-acquired infectious agent in the US alone. Cellular communication pathways are critical for adaptation, survival, and pathogenesis. His long-term research goal is to elucidate the signaling mechanisms that govern C. albicans survival in response to environmental stress and antifungal treatment. His prior studies revealed a novel mechanism underlying the response to salt stress and cell wall stress. Notably, his October 2013 report on salt stress signaling was a feature article in the peer-reviewed journal Genomics, and his experimental data was used for the journal cover.

His current project, “Pathogenic Yeast Stress Signaling Networks”, was funded on May 1st by The National Institute of Health (NIH) for $470,686.75 over a four year period. This is his second NIH SCORE grant. The primary goal is to characterize the signaling pathways that govern antifungal drug resistance when C. albicans is pre-exposed to high salt environments such as the kidneys. He believes that exposure to high salt physiologically alters C. albicans, which causes drug resistance. His research will identify key prospective genes, each of which may be a therapeutic target and provide mechanistic insight into C. albicans biology and virulence. One exciting aspect of this project is that it will allow him to introduce John Jay students to a new technology: Molecular genetic and computational analyses that uncover novel signaling mechanisms.

Dr. Rauceo is a member of the American Society for Microbiology (ASM) and New York Academy of Sciences (NYAS). His areas of expertise include Molecular Biology, Molecular Genetics and Mycology.
**Interested in these or any other funding opportunities?**

Contact the Office of Sponsored Programs early in your proposal development—Ideally at least three weeks before the application is due. There are lots of details to discuss and review, such as:

- Budget and allowable costs
- Space usage on campus
- Cost sharing restrictions
- Institutional letters of support
- Research compliance (i.e. Human Subjects and/or Animal Research, Responsible Conduct of Research, Conflict of Interest)
- ...And many, many more!

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**National Institute of Justice – Funding Opportunities**

**Forthcoming Funding Opportunities - NIJ**

Typically, most of NIJ's solicitations are released December through April (pending appropriations from Congress). This list of solicitations may change over the coming weeks. When the solicitation is released, it will contain the name and contact information of the person managing the solicitation. To be fair and open in the competition, we do not discuss solicitations until they are published. Total funding for these solicitations will depend on the availability of funds.

Find forthcoming solicitations at [http://nij.gov/funding/Pages/forthcoming.aspx#oifs](http://nij.gov/funding/Pages/forthcoming.aspx#oifs) in these areas:

- Forensic Sciences
- Social Sciences

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**Current Funding Opportunities - NIJ**

NIJ is accepting applications for the following funding opportunities. Funding opportunities are presented in order of application deadline with the opportunity with the nearest deadline first.

**Link:** [http://nij.gov/funding/Pages/current.aspx?status=current](http://nij.gov/funding/Pages/current.aspx?status=current)
National Institute of Justice—Funding Opportunities (Cont’d)

NIJ—Research and Evaluation on Victims of Crime

Deadline: June 26, 2015

Description: The National Institute of Justice has a longstanding history of collaborating with and supporting the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) on research, evaluation, and programmatic projects. Over the years, the shared priorities of OVC and NIJ have resulted in a number of collective projects, workshops, and research. In 2013, OVC began Vision 21: Transforming Victim Services which called for the development of research to build a body of evidence-based knowledge on victims and victimization. With this solicitation, NIJ is collaborating with OVC to build on three areas of research that are of interest to both agencies. These topics include:

1. Studying the Victim-Offender Overlap.
2. Understanding the Violent Victimization Experiences of Young Men of Color.

Applicants should submit proposals that address one of the three topics.

Amount: An anticipated that $1.5 million will be available for multiple projects.

Link: https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl001162.pdf

NIJ—FY15 Evaluation of the Office for Victims of Crime Supporting Male Survivors of Violence Demonstration

Deadline: July 2, 2015

Description: With this solicitation, NIJ is seeking applications for an evaluation of the Office of Victims of Crime (OVC) Supporting Male Survivors of Violence Demonstration Initiative. The demonstration, undertaken with the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), seeks to improve the responses to male survivors of violence, particularly boys and young men of color, and their families and to dedicate technical assistance to support these efforts.

Amount: NIJ anticipates that up to a total of $1,000,000

Link: https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl001164.pdf

Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)

COPS—Community Policing Development (CPD)

Deadline: June 19, 2015

Description: The 2015 Community Policing Development (CPD) Program is a competitive grant program designed to advance the practice of community policing in law enforcement agencies through training and technical assistance, the development of innovative community policing strategies, applied research, guidebooks, and best practices that are national in scope. The COPS Office, a federal provider of innovative, customer-focused resources that address the continuing and emerging needs of those engaged in enhancing public safety through community policing, has designed the CPD solicitation to address critical topics in the law enforcement field by building on the principles of community policing.

Amount: There is up to $4 million, subject to the availability of funding, in competitive funding through the FY 2015 CPD program. Each grant or cooperative agreement is two years (24 months) in duration, and there is no local match. Maximum award amounts are specified for each topic area.

BJA—National Initiatives: Promoting Effective Justice Systems Strategies

**Description:** The purpose of this program is to provide state and local criminal justice practitioners and stakeholders with objective information, resources, and training and technical assistance (TTA) on timely and emerging criminal justice issues and actionable information to improve the uptake and quality of evidence-based practice.

Category 1 of this solicitation seeks a provider to develop content for a web-based clearinghouse and provide technical assistance to criminal justice practitioners and stakeholders regarding the science and practice of risk and needs assessment to inform decisions at various points in the criminal justice system. Category 1 is funded through the Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI) appropriation, under the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015, Pub. L. 113-235.

Category 2 of this solicitation seeks to identify a provider or team of providers to leverage and bolster the successful work to date of the National Resource Center on Justice-Involved Women. Category 2 is funded under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. The JAG Program (42 U.S.C. 3750 et seq.) is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions, and JAG funds support all components of the criminal justice system. The Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015, Pub. L. No. 113-76, 128 Stat. 5, 68, Title II Sec. 213(1) provides that “up to 3 percent of funds made available to the Office of Justice Programs for grant or reimbursement programs may be used by such Office to provide training and technical assistance.”

**Amount:** Category 1
BJA estimates that it will make one award under Category 1 of up to $400,000 for a 24-month project period, beginning October 1, 2015.

Category 2
BJA estimates that it will make one award under Category 2 of up to $400,000 for a 24-month project period, beginning on October 1, 2015.

**Link:** [https://www.bja.gov/Funding/15JusticeSysStratSol.pdf](https://www.bja.gov/Funding/15JusticeSysStratSol.pdf)

BJA—Body-Worn Camera Pilot Implementation Program

**Description:** Law enforcement agencies across the country and worldwide are using body-worn cameras (BWCs) as a promising tool to improve law enforcement interactions with the public. BWCs can provide a visual and audio record of interactions. Some preliminary evidence indicates that the presence of BWCs helps strengthen accountability and transparency, and can assist in de-escalating conflicts, resulting in more constructive encounters between the police and members of the community. This competitive solicitation is for law enforcement agencies seeking to establish or enhance BWC Policy and Implementation Programs (PIP). Successful applicants will be responsible for a mandatory 50 percent in-kind or cash match.

**Amount:** BJA estimates that it will make up to a total of 50 awards for Categories 1 through 4 for an estimated total of $17,000,000, and 1 award for Category 5 for up to $2,000,000. All awards will be for a 24-month project period, beginning on October 1, 2015.

**Link:** [https://www.bja.gov/Funding/15BWCSol.pdf](https://www.bja.gov/Funding/15BWCSol.pdf)
BJS—Graduate Research Fellowship Program for Criminal Justice Statistics

Deadline: June 10, 2015

Description: The Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) is seeking applications under its Graduate Research Fellowship (GRF) Program. This program provides awards to accredited universities for doctoral research that uses criminal justice data or statistical series and focuses on crime, violence, and other criminal justice-related topics. BJS invests in doctoral education by supporting universities that sponsor students who demonstrate the potential to complete doctoral degree programs successfully in disciplines relevant to the mission of BJS, and who are in the final stages of graduate study. The ultimate goal of this solicitation is to increase the pool of researchers using criminal justice statistical data generated by BJS, thereby contributing solutions that better prevent and control crime and help ensure the fair and impartial administration of criminal justice in the United States.

Amount: Applicant institutions sponsoring doctoral students are eligible to apply only if the doctoral research dissertation has direct implications for criminal justice policy and practice in the United States. BJS encourages institutions to consider doctoral students from social and behavioral sciences, mathematics, or statistics academic disciplines for their applications. Applicant institutions are strongly encouraged to sponsor minority and female student candidates. Awards are anticipated to be made to successful applicant institutions in the form of a cooperative agreement to cover a fellowship for the sponsored doctoral student. Each fellowship potentially provides up to 3 years of support, usable over a 5-year period. For each year of support, BJS provides the degree-granting institution a stipend of $35,000, usable toward the student’s salary and related costs, and up to $15,000 to cover the student’s tuition and fees, research expenses, and related costs. If the doctoral student’s dissertation is not completed and delivered to BJS within the 5-year period, the academic institution will be required to return the full award amount to BJS. Final award decisions will be made by the Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics.


BJS—Visiting Fellows: Criminal Justice Statistics Programs

Deadline: June 16, 2015

Description: BJS’s Visiting Fellows Program (www.bjs.gov/content/fellows.cfm) aims to facilitate collaboration between academic scholars and government researchers in survey methodology, statistics, economics, and social sciences. BJS Visiting Fellows have the unique opportunity to address substantive, methodological, and analytic issues relevant to BJS programs and to further knowledge about and understanding of the operation of the criminal justice system. Fellows may conduct research at BJS or at their home site, use BJS data and facilities, and interact with BJS staff.

Fellowship applicants should have a recognized research record or considerable expertise in their area of proposed research. Applicants must submit a detailed research proposal, which will be evaluated on the applicability of the research to BJS programs, the value of the proposed research to science, and the quality of the applicant’s research record. Qualified women and members of minority groups are encouraged to apply.

Amount: BJS anticipates that it will make up to three awards under this solicitation. The period of performance for the Visiting Fellowship is normally 12 months long, beginning October 1 of a year and ending September 30 the following year. However, the start date, duration of the fellowship, and level of effort may vary. The expected start date and duration should be described in the application and project plan. A BJS Visiting Fellow is expected to commit a significant portion of time to the project. A maximum of $150,000 will be allocated per Visiting Fellowship.

Link: http://www.bjs.gov/content/pub/pdf/vfcjsp15sol.pdf

BJS—Law Enforcement Core Statistics

Deadline: June 22, 2015

Description: The Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) is seeking proposals for assistance in developing, designing, and administering the Law Enforcement Core Statistics Program (LECS). In the past, the goal of the program was to provide accurate and timely national statistics about the personnel, operations, policies, and procedures of federal, state, county, and local law enforcement agencies (LEAs) in the United States. However, in this program, BJS is seeking to reshape the content and focus toward measuring agency performance. This shift will represent part of BJS’s effort to respond to the challenge posed by the National Research Council’s Committee on National Statistics.

Amount: BJS estimates that it will make one initial award of $1.5 million for a 51-month project period, beginning on October 1, 2015. Those funds are expected to cover the deliverables associated with the 2016 LEMAS survey as well as work on the 2017 LEMAS BWC supplement. BJS expects the recipient of funds to design data collection options within these funding constraints.

Link: http://www.bjs.gov/content/pub/pdf/lecs15sol.pdf
**Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention—Funding Opps**

**OJJDP—Youth with Sexual Behavior Problems Program**

**Deadline:** June 15, 2015  
**Description:** This program will fund agencies that use a comprehensive, multidisciplinary approach to provide intervention and supervision services for youth with sexual behavior problems and treatment services for their child victims and families. Award recipients will target services for youth with sexual behavior problems, their child victim(s), and parents/caregivers of the offending youth and child victims. Youth participating in this program must undergo a mental health evaluation to determine if they are amenable to community-based treatment and intervention. Targeted youth with sexual behavior problems should have no prior history of court involvement for sexual misconduct.  
**Amount:** OJJDP expects to make as many as two awards for as much as $300,000 each for a 24-month project period, beginning on October 1, 2015.  

**OJJDP—Police and Youth Engagement: Supporting the Role of Law Enforcement in Juvenile Justice Reform**

**Deadline:** June 16, 2015  
**Description:** The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) provides national leadership, coordination, and resources to prevent and respond to juvenile delinquency and victimization. To fulfill this mission, OJJDP collaborates with professionals from diverse disciplines to improve juvenile justice practices and policies. Recent events have focused national attention on the need for enhanced trust between local law enforcement and the communities that they serve. OJJDP seeks to help inform law enforcement executives of key juvenile justice issues that jurisdictions face in improving relations between youth and law enforcement. Specifically, OJJDP will examine how to foster strong, collaborative relationships between local law enforcement, youth, families, and communities.  
**Amount:** OJJDP expects to make one cooperative agreement for as much as $400,000 for a 12-month project period, beginning on October 1, 2015.  

**OJJDP—Juvenile Justice Model Data Project**

**Deadline:** June 16, 2015  
**Description:** This project will identify critical information requirements across the juvenile justice system (e.g., victimization, community wellness, law enforcement, diversion, detention, indigent defense, prosecution, adjudication, transfer to criminal court, corrections, reentry, and recidivism). It will develop model data elements with recommended definitions and coding categories that administrative data systems and other juvenile justice-related data collection efforts (e.g., community surveys) can adopt. The award recipient will also develop model measures and analyses with broad and practical applications for state, local, and tribal efforts to monitor trends and assess the efficiency and effectiveness of their systems. That is, for each data area, the project will provide examples of how state and local juvenile justice agencies should use these data to serve their information needs (e.g., standard system indicators, problem identification, program monitoring and assessment, and assessing the effects of system changes).  
**Amount:** OJJDP expects to make one award of as much as $500,000 for a 12-month period to support the project (i.e., to identify and develop model juvenile justice data elements and measures and to develop a dissemination plan).  

**OJJDP—Smart on Juvenile Justice: Enhancing Youth Access to Justice Initiative**

**Deadline:** June 25, 2015  
**Description:** This initiative will provide funding to (1) develop effective, statewide, well-resourced model juvenile indigent defense legal delivery systems; (2) develop and implement standards of practice and policy for the effective management of such delivery systems; and (3) develop state or regional resource centers to help state, tribal, and local juvenile defense systems enhance the quality of legal representation, leverage resources, and collect and analyze data to measure the effectiveness of specific initiatives. This initiative will provide cost-effective and innovative training for the juvenile indigent defense bar, including public defenders and court-appointed counsel working on behalf of juvenile indigent defendants, particularly in traditionally underserved locations, including rural areas.  
**Amount:**  
**Category 1:** OJJDP will make as many as five awards of as much as $125,000. The initial award will be for a 12-month project period.  
**Category 2:** OJJDP will make one award this fiscal year under this category for as much as $1.28 million. The award will be for a 24-month project period.  
**Category 3:** OJJDP will make two awards this fiscal year under this category for as much as $500,000. The award will be for a 36-month project period.  
National Science Foundation—Funding Opportunities

**Attention Forensic Science Research and Education Community!!!**

National Science Foundation is interested in funding Forensic Science Research & Education!

**Forensic Science—Opportunity for Breakthroughs in Fundamental and Basic Research and Education**

The National Science Foundation (NSF) is interested in receiving proposals to existing programs in any directorate across the Foundation that address fundamental research questions which might simultaneously advance activities related to research and education in forensic sciences. Supplement requests to existing awards may also be submitted.

**BACKGROUND:** In 2009 the National Academy of Sciences published “Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States: A Path Forward.” While the report acknowledges that “the forensic science disciplines have produced valuable evidence that has contributed to the successful prosecution and conviction of criminals as well as to the exoneration of innocent people,” it cites a need for systematic research to validate the various disciplines’ underlying assumptions and methodologies, adding that the “forensic science ... communities will be improved by opportunities to collaborate with the broader science and engineering communities.” NSF is the only Federal agency whose mission is to support basic research at the forefront of all fields of fundamental science and engineering. It is therefore appropriate for the Foundation to support basic research that can inform research and education in forensic science.

**DETAILS:** This is to alert all basic science and engineering communities, including education researchers, to the Foundation’s interest in receiving proposals that, while investigating fundamental questions, seek to pose and test hypotheses that could inform research in forensic sciences. The interest spans both disciplinary and interdisciplinary research. Additionally, the wide public interest in forensics can provide an effective vehicle for basic research in science education. International partnerships, where appropriate, are encouraged, as are synergistic interactions with forensics and/or law enforcement agencies and organizations. Proposals for workshops to explore fundamental science drivers and their relevance to forensics are also welcome.


This is not a special competition or new program. Proposals and supplement requests must meet the requirements and deadlines of the program to which they are submitted. Questions concerning this should be directed to the e-mail alias forensic-science-inquiries@nsf.gov. For more information, please visit the link above.

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**NSF—Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences: Sociology**

**Deadline:**
- August 15 and January 15 Annually (Regular Research)
- October 15 annually (Dissertation Research)

**Description:** The Sociology Program supports basic research on all forms of human social organization societies, institutions, groups and demography -- and processes of individual and institutional change. The Program encourages theoretically focused empirical investigations aimed at improving the explanation of fundamental social processes. Included is research on organizations and organizational behavior, population dynamics, social movements, social groups, labor force participation, stratification and mobility, family, social networks, socialization, gender roles, and the sociology of science and technology. The Program supports both original data collections and secondary data analysis that use the full range of quantitative and qualitative methodological tools. Theoretically grounded projects that offer methodological innovations and improvements for data collection and analysis are also welcomed. Projects are evaluated using the two Foundation-wide criteria, intrinsic merit and broader impacts. In assessing the intrinsic merit of proposed research, four components are key to securing support from the Sociology Program: (1) the issues investigated must be theoretically grounded; (2) the research should be based on empirical observation or be subject to empirical validation or illustration; (3) the research design must be appropriate to the questions asked; and (4) the proposed research must advance our understanding of social processes, structures and methods.

**Amount:** Award amounts vary based on the scope of the proposed project.

National Science Foundation – Funding Opportunities (Cont’d)

NSF—Social Psychology

**Deadline:** July 15 & January 15 annually

**Description:** The Social Psychology Program at NSF supports basic research on human social behavior, including cultural differences and development over the life span. Among the many research topics supported are: attitude formation and change, social cognition, personality processes, interpersonal relations and group processes, the self, emotion, social comparison and social influence, and the psychophysiological and neurophysiological bases of social behavior. The scientific merit of a proposal depends on four important factors: (1) The problems investigated must be theoretically grounded. (2) The research should be based on empirical observation or be subject to empirical validation. (3) The research design must be appropriate to the questions asked. (4) The proposed research must advance basic understanding of social behavior.

**Amount:** Award amounts vary based on the scope of the proposed project.


NSF—Facilitating Research at Primarily Undergraduate Institutions (RUI)

**Deadline:** Full Proposal Accepted Anytime

**Description:** The Research in Undergraduate Institutions (RUI) activity supports research by faculty members of predominantly undergraduate institutions through the funding of (1) individual and collaborative research projects, (2) the purchase of shared-use research instrumentation, and (3) Research Opportunity Awards for work with NSF-supported investigators at other institutions. All NSF directorates participate in the RUI activity. RUI proposals are evaluated and funded by the NSF programs in the disciplinary areas of the proposed research. Eligible “predominantly undergraduate” institutions include U.S. two-year, four-year, masters-level, and small doctoral colleges and universities that (1) grant baccalaureate degrees in NSF-supported fields, or provide programs of instruction for students pursuing such degrees with institutional transfers (e.g., two-year schools), (2) have undergraduate enrollment exceeding graduate enrollment, and (3) award an average of no more than 10 Ph.D. or D.Sc. degrees per year in all NSF-supportable disciplines. Autonomous campuses in a system are considered independently, although they may be submitting their proposals through a central office. A Research Opportunity Award is usually funded as a supplement to the NSF grant of the host researcher, and the application is submitted by the host institution.

**Amount:** Varies across disciplinary research programs

**Link:** [https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5518](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5518)

NSF—Research Coordination Networks (RCN)

**Deadline:** Proposals accepted anytime. (RCN-UBE & UBE Incubator Track deadline: January 6, 2016)

**Description:** The goal of the RCN program is to advance a field or create new directions in research or education by supporting groups of investigators to communicate and coordinate their research, training and educational activities across disciplinary, organizational, geographic and international boundaries. RCN provides opportunities to foster new collaborations, including international partnerships, and address interdisciplinary topics. Innovative ideas for implementing novel networking strategies, collaborative technologies, and development of community standards for data and meta-data are especially encouraged. RCN awards are not meant to support existing networks; nor are they meant to support the activities of established collaborations. RCN awards do not support primary research. RCN supports the means by which investigators can share information and ideas, coordinate ongoing or planned research activities, foster synthesis and new collaborations, develop community standards, and in other ways advance science and education through communication and sharing of ideas.

**Award Ceiling:** $7,500,000 to $17,500,000 total for 15-25 awards, Pending availability of funding.

National Science Foundation – Funding Opportunities (Cont’d)

NSF—Law and Social Sciences (LSS)


Description: The Law & Social Sciences Program considers proposals that address social scientific studies of law and law-like systems of rules. The program is inherently interdisciplinary and multi-methodological. Successful proposals describe research that advances scientific theory and understanding of the connections between law or legal processes and human behavior. Social scientific studies of law often approach law as dynamic, made in multiple arenas, with the participation of multiple actors. Fields of study include many disciplines, and often address problems including though not limited to:

1. Crime, Violence and Punishment
2. Economic Issues
3. Governance
4. Legal Decision-making
5. Legal Mobilization and Conceptions of Justice
6. Litigation and the Legal Profession

LSS provides the following modes of support:

1. Standard Research Grants and Grants for Collaborative Research
2. Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grants
3. Interdisciplinary Postdoctoral Fellowships
4. Workshop and Conference Proposal

Amount: $5,000,000 pending availability of funds. Estimated Number of Awards: 75

Link: http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=504727

NSF—Perception, Action & Cognition

Deadlines: Research Full Proposal Windows: July 15, 2015—August 3, 2015 (Annually Thereafter); January 15, 2016—February 1, 2016 (Annually Thereafter)

Workshop and Conference Full Proposal Windows: June 1, 2015 - June 15, 2015 (Annually Thereafter) April 1, 2015 - April 15, 2015 (Annually Thereafter);

Description: Supports research on perception, action and cognition. Emphasis is on research strongly grounded in theory. Central research topics for consideration by the Perception, Action, and Cognition panel include vision, audition, haptics, attention, memory, reasoning, written and spoken discourse, and motor control. The program encompasses a wide range of theoretical perspectives, such as symbolic computation, connectionism, ecological, nonlinear dynamics, and complex systems, and a variety of methodologies including both experimental studies and modeling. The PAC program is open to co-review of proposals submitted to other programs (e.g., Linguistics, Developmental and Learning Sciences, Cognitive Neuroscience, etc). Proposals may involve clinical populations, animals, or computational modeling only if the work has direct impact on basic issues of human perception, action, or cognition.

Amount: Award amounts vary based on the scope of the proposed project.

Link: http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5686

NSF—Infrastructure Management and Extreme Events (IMEE)

Deadline: September 15, 2015; February 16, 2016; September 15 and February 15 Annually Thereafter

Description: The IMEE program focuses on the impact of large-scale hazards on civil infrastructure and society and on related issues of preparedness, response, mitigation, and recovery. The program supports research to integrate multiple issues from engineering, social, behavioral, political, and economic sciences. It supports fundamental research on the interdependence of civil infrastructure and society, development of sustainable infrastructures, and civil infrastructure vulnerability and risk reduction.

Amount: Award amounts vary based on the scope of the proposed project.

Link: http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=13353
National Science Foundation – Funding Opportunities (Cont’d)

NSF—Early-concept Grants for Exploratory Research (EAGER)

**Deadline:** Anytime

**Description:** The EAGER funding mechanism may be used to support exploratory work in its early stages on untested, but potentially transformative, research ideas or approaches. This work may be considered especially “high risk-high payoff” in the sense that it, for example, involves radically different approaches, applies new expertise, or engages novel disciplinary or interdisciplinary perspectives. These exploratory proposals may also be submitted directly to an NSF program, but the EAGER mechanism should not be used for projects that are appropriate for submission as “regular” (i.e., non-EAGER) NSF proposals. PI(s) must contact the NSF program officer(s) whose expertise is most germane to the proposal topic prior to submission of an EAGER proposal. This will aid in determining the appropriateness of the work for consideration under the EAGER mechanism; this suitability must be assessed early in the process.

- The Project Description is expected to be brief (five to eight pages) and include clear statements as to why this project is appropriate for EAGER funding, including why it does not “fit” into existing programs and why it is a “good fit” for EAGER.
- The “EAGER” proposal type must be selected in the proposal preparation module in FastLane.
- Only internal merit review is required for EAGER proposals. Under rare circumstances, program officers may elect to obtain external reviews to inform their decision. If external review is to be obtained, then the PI will be so informed in the interest of maintaining the transparency of the review and recommendation process. The two standard NSB-approved merit review criteria will apply.
- Requests may be for up to $300K and of up to two years duration. The award size, however, will be consistent with the project scope and of a size comparable to grants in similar areas.
- No-cost extensions and requests for supplemental funding will be processed in accordance with standard NSF policies and procedures.
- Renewed funding of EAGER awards may be requested only through submission of a proposal that will be subject to full external merit review. Such proposals would be designated as “EAGER renewals.”

**Amount:** Up to $300,000 for a period of up to 2 years. (The award size, however, will be consistent with the project scope and of a size comparable to grants in similar areas.)


NSF—Cultural Anthropology

**Deadlines:**
- **Full Proposal Target Dates:** August 15 and January 15 annually for Senior Research Proposals, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant Proposals, most Workshop proposals and proposals for Training Programs.
- **Cultural Anthropology Scholars Target Dates:** August 16 and January 16 annually for Faculty Scholars proposals.

**Description:** The Cultural Anthropology Program supports basic scientific research about the causes, consequences, and complexities of human social and cultural variability. Cultural anthropologists analyze human social and cultural behavior holistically. This integrated approach makes anthropology a valuable research tool for understanding the modern world. Because cultural patterns are emergent over time and space, there is no single natural scale for ethnographic and ethnomethodological analysis. In some cases, cultural patterns may emerge from the collective behavior of large ensembles of smaller scale units; in others, they may be imposed by larger scale constraints. The origins of social and cultural variability may be remote from the scale at which they are observed. Therefore, research may target any appropriate scale or scales from local to regional to global. The Program encourages innovative research that contributes to building spatially and temporally specific theory that extends understanding beyond individual case studies. The Cultural Anthropology Program accepts proposals for a variety of project types: Senior Research proposals (that is, research proposals from scholars with PhDs or equivalent degree); proposals for Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grants; Cultural Anthropology Scholars awards (for research-related, post-PhD training); and CAREER proposals. The Program will also consider proposals for workshops and training programs, as well as supplements to current awards to support Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) and Research Experience for Graduate Studies (REG). Research in all sub-fields of cultural anthropology is eligible. Successful proposals are characterized by clear research questions and propositions that will be put to the test through meticulous attention to research design, data collection, and analysis.

**Link:** [http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5388](http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5388)
**NSF—Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics (MMS)**

**Deadline:** August 27 & January 28 Annually Thereafter

**Description:** The Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics (MMS) Program is a standing, interdisciplinary program in the Directorate for Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences (SBE). MMS supports the development of innovative, analytical, and statistical methods and models for those sciences.

The MMS Program seeks proposals that are methodologically innovative, grounded in theory, and have potential utility for multiple fields within the social, behavioral, and economic sciences. Successful proposals often integrate across the following areas:

- The development, application, and extension of formal models and methodology for social and behavioral research, including methods for improving measurement. The proposed research must show promise for having value for multiple social and behavioral science fields.
- The development of formal models that cross traditional disciplinary boundaries, including research on statistical methodology or statistical modeling. The proposed research must show promise for having value for multiple social and behavioral science fields.
- Research on methodological aspects of new or existing procedures for data collection, including methodology for survey research, and research to evaluate or compare existing databases and data collection procedures.
- The collection of unique databases with cross-disciplinary value, particularly when paired with innovative developments in measurement or methodology.
- Infrastructure projects that facilitate the research activities of the MMS community.

**Amount:** An estimated 15 to 35 awards will be made. Approximately $3.4 million will be awarded annually, contingent upon the availability of funds. Additional funds may be available from participating federal statistical agencies for competitive survey and statistical methodology proposals. Project budgets should be developed at scales appropriate for the work to be conducted.


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**NSF—Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC)**

**Deadline(s) (due by 5 p.m. proposer's local time):**
- MEDIUM Projects: September 21, 2015; September 19, Annually Thereafter
- LARGE Projects: November 19, 2015; November 19, Annually Thereafter
- CYBERSECURITY EDUCATION Projects: December 19, Annually Thereafter
- SMALL Projects: January 14, 2015; January 14, Annually Thereafter

**Description:** Cyberspace has transformed the daily lives of people for the better. The rush to adopt cyberspace, however, has exposed its fragility and vulnerabilities: corporations, agencies, national infrastructure and individuals have been victims of cyber-attacks. In December 2011, the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) with the cooperation of NSF issued a broad, coordinated Federal strategic plan for cybersecurity research and development to "change the game," minimize the misuses of cyber technology, bolster education and training in cybersecurity, establish a science of cybersecurity, and transition promising cybersecurity research into practice. This challenge requires a dedicated approach to research, development, and education that leverages the disciplines of mathematics and statistics, the social sciences, and engineering together with the computing, communications and information sciences.

The Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC) program welcomes proposals that address Cybersecurity from a Trustworthy Computing Systems (TWC) perspective and/or a Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences (SBE) perspective, or from the Secure, Trustworthy, Assured and Resilient Semiconductors and Systems (STARSS) perspective. In addition, we welcome proposals that integrate research addressing all of these perspectives (see full solicitation).

**Amount:** Proposals may be submitted in one of the following three categories (plus Cybersecurity Education; see below):
- Small projects: up to $500,000 in total budget, with durations of up to three years
- Medium projects: $500,001 to $1,200,000 in total budget, with durations of up to four years
- Large projects: $1,200,001 to $3,000,000 in total budget, with durations of up to five years

National Science Foundation – Funding Opportunities (Cont’d)

NSF—Computing and Communication Foundations (CCF): Core Programs

**Deadline(s) (due by 5 p.m. proposer's local time):**
- MEDIUM Projects: September 21, 2015; September 19, Annually Thereafter
- LARGE Projects: November 19, 2015; November 19, Annually Thereafter
- SMALL Projects: January 14, Annually Thereafter

**Description:** The Division of Computing and Communication Foundations (CCF) supports transformative research and education projects that explore the foundations of computing and communication. The Division seeks advances in computing and communication theory, algorithm design and analysis, and the architecture and design of computers and software. CCF-supported projects also investigate revolutionary computing models and technologies based on emerging scientific ideas and integrate research and education activities to prepare future generations of computer science and engineering workers. CCF supports three core programs - Algorithmic Foundations (AF), Communications and Information Foundations (CIF), and Software and Hardware Foundations (SHF). (See full solicitation for details.)

**Amount:** Proposers are invited to submit proposals in three project classes, which are defined as follows:
- Small Projects - up to $500,000 total budget with durations up to three years;
- Medium Projects - $500,001 to $1,200,000 total budget with durations up to four years; and
- Large Projects - $1,200,001 to $3,000,000 total budget with durations up to five years.


NSF—Information and Intelligent Systems (IIS): Core Programs

**Deadline(s) (due by 5 p.m. proposer's local time):**
- MEDIUM Projects: September 21, 2015; September 19, Annually Thereafter
- LARGE Projects: November 19, 2015; November 19, Annually Thereafter
- SMALL Projects: January 14, Annually

**Description:** The Division of Information and Intelligent Systems (IIS) studies the inter-related roles of people, computers, and information. IIS supports research and education activities that 1) develop new knowledge about the role of people in the design and use of information technology; 2) increase our capability to create, manage, and understand data and information in circumstances ranging from personal computers to globally-distributed systems; and 3) advance our understanding of how computational systems can exhibit the hallmarks of intelligence.

CISE's Division of Information and Intelligent Systems (IIS) supports research and education projects that develop new knowledge in three core programs:
- The Cyber–Human Systems (CHS) program;
- The Information Integration and Informatics (III) program; and
- The Robust Intelligence (RI) program.

**Amount:** Proposers are invited to submit proposals in three project classes, which are defined as follows:
- Small Projects - up to $500,000 total budget with durations up to three years;
- Medium Projects - $500,001 to $1,200,000 total budget with durations up to four years; and
- Large Projects - $1,200,001 to $3,000,000 total budget with durations up to five years.

**Other Federal Funding Opportunities**

**National Institute of Justice and the National Science Foundation**

**Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers Program (I/UCRC)**

**Deadline:** Letter of Intent is required and due the first Monday in January, Annually; and Last Friday in June, Annually thereafter. Planning Grant and Full Center Proposal Deadline: First Tuesday in March, Annually; and Last Friday in September, Annually thereafter.

**Description:** The Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers (I/UCRC) program develops long-term partnerships among industry, academe, and government. The centers are catalyzed by a small investment from the National Science Foundation (NSF) and are primarily supported by industry center members, with NSF taking a supporting role in the development and evolution of the center. Each center is established to conduct research that is of interest to both the industry members and the center faculty. An I/UCRC contributes to the nation’s research infrastructure base and enhances the intellectual capacity of the engineering and science workforce through the integration of research and education. As appropriate, an I/UCRC uses international collaborations to advance these goals within the global context. Specifically, the National Institute of Justice and the National Science Foundation have partnered to solicit proposals to establish Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers (I/UCRCs) for the forensic sciences. The cooperative centers will convene forensic experts, industry developers, and researchers to develop long-term partnerships to address the needs and challenges of the forensic sciences. The centers are catalyzed by sponsorship investments from both NIJ and NSF. I/UCRC membership will also be open to local, state, and federal agencies, private philanthropic foundations, and other institutions. Federal agencies can also become members, contributing their practical experience as well as access to testing research concepts in working crime laboratories. The I/UCRC may also involve international collaboration.

NSF has helped create 170 I/UCRCs on a variety of topics since 1979; 67 of these are currently being supported but many others are now independently self-sustaining. NIJ and NSF welcome proposals on a range of relevant forensic science topics, such as human judgment and decision making; new principles and approaches for remote and field-based chemical measurement and imaging; and pattern-based analysis. Proposals should adhere to the terms and guidance in the I/UCRC solicitation, including requirements for the letter of intent. The title should begin with the phrase "Forensics I/UCRC" followed by a brief descriptor that conveys the main focus of the proposal. Estimated Number of Awards: 2 to 8 full center awards and 4 to 6 planning grant awards annually.

**Amount:** Anticipated Funding Amount: $12,000,000. Funding is dependent on the availability of funds. Anticipated funding includes continued annual support and supplemental requests for existing centers.


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**National Endowment for the Humanities**

**NEH— Humanities in the Public Square**

**Deadline:** June 24, 2015

**Description:** Designed to demonstrate the vital role that humanities ideas can play in our civic life, the Humanities in the Public Square program invites projects that draw on humanities scholarship to engage the public in understanding some of today’s most challenging issues and pressing concerns. As NEH launches a year-long celebration of its fiftieth anniversary in September 2015, the Common Good initiative seeks to demonstrate the vital role that the humanities can play in our public life. NEH’s enabling legislation speaks eloquently of the need to attend to “the relevance of the humanities to the current conditions of national life.” Today, as our country grapples with both remarkable opportunities and extraordinary challenges, the “conditions of our national life” suggest that this need is greater than ever. The Common Good initiative envisions humanities scholars and organizations turning their attention and expertise to topics that have widespread resonance with the American people and that lend themselves to humanistic methods and concerns. Organizations are encouraged to think creatively about what discussion topics would be meaningful to their community.

**Amount:** Awards can be up to $300,000. The requested amount should reflect the project’s complexity, number of venues, estimated number of participants, and partnerships. The grant period may last as long as twelve months. It must begin in January 2016. Applications requesting $150,000 or more should aim to implement ambitious projects with a broad geographic reach and the potential to engage large audiences through extensive collaboration or a large number of venues. NEH strongly encourages smaller projects focused on local communities and smaller audiences.

ATTENTION!!!

National Endowment for the Humanities: Summer Stipends

(*Please note this is a limited competition program, and John Jay College can only nominate two individuals to apply. Therefore, the College will have its own internal competition to determine who the College’s two nominees will be. Please see below for details on how to be considered for nomination. Adjunct faculty may apply individually without going through the College’s nomination process.)

Preliminary College Deadline (required): August 15, 2015 @ 5pm EST

NEH Deadline for the Two Nominees to Submit Formal Proposal: October 1, 2015

Description: The Summer Stipends Program supports individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to humanities scholars, general audiences, or both. Recipients usually produce articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly resources. Summer Stipends support continuous full-time work on a humanities project for a period of two consecutive months. Summer Stipends support projects at any stage of development. Summer Stipends are awarded to individual scholars. Organizations are not eligible to apply (but the Office of Sponsored Programs can assist individual faculty with the application process).

Amount: Summer Stipends provide $6,000 for two consecutive months of full-time research and writing. Recipients must work full-time on their projects for these two months and may hold other research grants supporting the same project during this time. Summer Stipends normally support work carried out during the summer months, but arrangements can be made for other times of the year.

Link: http://www.neh.gov/grants/research/summer-stipends

Application Instructions: The College is only able to nominate two individuals to apply for the award. If you are interested in being nominated to apply for the Summer Stipends program:

Submit a brief abstract (no more than one page) of your project and a justification supporting the selection of your project by our internal deadline of 5pm EST on August, 15, 2015.

Email your one-page abstract to oar@jjay.cuny.edu with the subject line “RE: NEH Summer Stipend – Request for Abstracts”.

You will be notified of the College’s decision of nominations on or about August 31, 2015. The two nominees will submit applications for consideration by the NEH.

Subsequent Instructions for the Two Nominees: The two nominees will then be required to submit a formal proposal to NEH by the deadline of October 1, 2015. (Grants.gov and our Office recommend you submit at least 48 business hours prior to this deadline.)

In order to be considered for nomination to apply for this program, please email your one-page abstract to oar@jjay.cuny.edu with the subject line “RE: NEH Summer Stipend – Request for Abstracts” if you are interested in applying, no later than 5pm EST on August 15, 2015.

Sponsored Programs Newsletter
NIH—Research on Ethical Issues in Biomedical, Social, and Behavioral Research (R21)

**Deadline:** June 16; October 16

**Description:** This FOA seeks applications for research projects that propose to analyze and address ethical challenges and issues related to the conduct and output of biomedical, clinical, social and behavioral research within the NIH mission. The results of projects funded under this program announcement should enhance the ethical conduct and social value of research within the NIH mission, optimize the protection of human research participants, ensure research burdens and benefits are equitably distributed across populations, and contribute to policy development regarding the implementation and oversight of new research discoveries and methods. Proposals to conduct empirical research as well as those that propose to develop new theoretical and conceptual ethical frameworks will be considered. Interdisciplinary and collaborative projects utilizing multiple approaches are strongly encouraged.

**Amount:** A project period of up to two years and a budget for direct costs of up to $200,000 per year may be requested with a maximum of $275,000 direct costs over two years.


NIH—Research on the Health Determinants and Consequences of Violence and its Prevention, Particularly Firearm Violence (R01/R03/R21)

**Deadlines for New Applications:** Varies based on the activity code of the funding opportunity.

**R01 Deadlines for New Applications:** October 5, February 5, June 5

**R03 Deadlines for New Applications:** October 16, February 16, June 16

**R21 Deadlines for New Applications:** October 16, February 16, June 16

**Description:** This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) spans across the missions of several NIH Institutes and Centers and Offices, and includes basic neuroscience and basic behavioral research, clinical and translational studies, intervention development at the individual, family and community level, efficacy trials of interventions based on evidence from basic and translational studies, and research to identify the best ways to disseminate and implement efficacious and evidence-based interventions in real-world settings. While this FOA covers all of the areas mentioned above, particular consideration will be given to applications that propose studies of the intersection that focus on the various types of violence (homicide, suicide, youth and gang-related, intimate partner) and firearms.

**Amount:**

- **R01:** Applications for an R01 award are not limited in dollars but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project. Applications are generally awarded for 1 - 5 budget periods, each normally 12 months in duration.

- **R03:** may request a project period of up to two years and a budget for direct costs of up to two $25,000 modules or $50,000 per year.

- **R21:** You may request a project period of up to two years. The combined budget for direct costs for the two year project period may not exceed $275,000. No more than $200,000 may be requested in any single year.

**Links:**


National Institutes of Health – Funding Opportunities (Cont’d)

NIH—Academic Research Enhancement Award (AREA) Program (R15)

**Deadlines:** June 25; October 25

**Award Ceiling:** Direct costs are limited to $300,000 over the entire project period (up to 3 years).

**Description:** The purpose of the AREA program is to stimulate research in educational institutions that provide baccalaureate or advanced degrees for a significant number of the Nation’s research scientists, but that have not been major recipients of NIH support. AREA grants create opportunities for scientists and institutions, otherwise unlikely to participate extensively in NIH research programs, to contribute to the Nation's biomedical and behavioral research effort. AREA grants are intended to support small-scale research projects proposed by faculty members of eligible, domestic institutions, to expose students to meritorious research projects, and to strengthen the research environment of the applicant institution. Grants are renewable. Preliminary data are not required.

**Goals of the Program:** Support meritorious research; Expose students to research; & Strengthen the research environment of the institution.

**Principal Investigator Eligibility:**
- The PI must have a primary faculty appointment at an AREA-eligible institution. (John Jay College is eligible)
- The PI may not be the PI of an active NIH research grant at the time of an AREA award.
- The PI may not be awarded more than one AREA grant at a time.

**Link:** [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/area.htm](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/area.htm)

NIH—National Institute on Drug Abuse Drug Abuse Aspects of HIV/AIDS (R01)

**Deadline:** September 7; January 7

**Description:** The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) seeks research grant applications to examine the drug abuse aspects of HIV/AIDS, including research on drug-related risk behaviors, addiction and HIV disease, and drug use/HIV-related co-morbidities and consequences. Applications are needed to identify and predict changes in the epidemiology of HIV/AIDS among injection and non-injection drug users and among their sexual partners; to develop and test interventions for primary and secondary HIV prevention, including drug treatment interventions; to improve HIV testing, counseling, and treatment services for those living with HIV/AIDS; and to address basic mechanisms involved in HIV infection and AIDS pathogenesis in the context of drug abuse and addiction.

**Award Ceiling:** Application budgets are not limited, but need to reflect actual needs of the proposed project. Budgets over $500,000 in direct costs per year must receive prior approval.

**Link:** [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-12-293.html](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-12-293.html)

NIH—AHRQ Health Services Research Project (R01)

**Deadline:** October 5; February 5

**Description:** The Research Project Grant is an award made by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to an institution/organization to support a discrete, specified health services research project. The research plan proposed by the applicant institution/organization must be related to the mission and portfolio priority research interests of AHRQ. The AHRQ mission is to produce evidence to make health care safer, higher quality, more accessible, equitable and affordable, and to work with HHS and other partners to make sure that the evidence is understood and used. Within the mission, AHRQ’s specific priority areas of focus are:
- Improve health care quality by accelerating implementation of Patient Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR)
- Make health care safer
- Increase accessibility by evaluating expansions of insurance coverage
- Improve health care affordability, efficiency and cost transparency

As AHRQ is interested in funding research that will have an important impact on health care practice and policy, applicants to this FOA are encouraged to submit a structured abstract of the potential findings that might arise from the planned research proposed. If a structured abstract is included as part of the grant application, it should be submitted as an appendix.

**Amount:** $250,000 per year for a maximum of 5 years.

NIH—Reductions in Illicit Drug Use and Functional Outcomes (R21/R33)

**Deadline:** June 16 & October 16 (Full Proposal) May 16 (Letter of Intent—required)

**Description:** The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to encourage applications for Phased Innovation (R21/R33) projects to determine whether reductions in illicit drug use are associated with positive changes in health-related and other functional outcomes in individuals with substance use disorders (SUDs). Functional outcomes include, for example, reductions in morbidity, mortality, criminal justice involvement, overall healthcare expenditures. This FOA provides support for up to two years (R21 phase) for research planning activities and feasibility studies, followed by possible transition to expanded research support (R33 phase). The transition to the R33 phase will be determined by NIH program evaluation of successful achievement of the milestones set for the R21 phase. The ultimate goal of this FOA is to provide evidence that will enable regulatory authorities to accept reductions in illicit drug use as a valid outcome measure in clinical trials of pharmacotherapies for the treatment of SUDs.

This FOA is intended to support the conduct of rigorous research to determine if reductions in illicit drug use are associated with positive health, psychosocial, and economic outcomes and potentially inform the development of new clinical outcomes beyond abstinence. The principal object of this FOA is to support projects to characterize reduced drug use and its various consequences as a multidimensional concept with associated dynamic changes in a range of outcomes. These outcomes, if correlated with decreased drug use, could ultimately form relevant endpoint(s) applicable to the development of medications for regulatory registration purposes and other behavioral and psychosocial interventions.

Drug use can be captured via self-report and/or biological measures. Funding preference will be given to studies using a combination of drug use data collection instruments, collected at regular intervals, repeatedly, over a sustained period of time. A range of research designs and methods may be relevant to this FOA including prospective collection of new data and/or secondary analyses of existing datasets.

**Amount:** For the R21 phase, the combined budget for direct costs during the two-year project period may not exceed $275,000, with no more than $200,000 requested in any single year. For the R33 phase, the direct costs should not exceed $500,000 per year. 2 years for the R21 and up to 3 years for the R33.


NIH—NIMHD Transdisciplinary Collaborative Centers for Health Disparities Research Focused on Precision Medicine (U54)

**Deadline:** Letter of intent (required) – August 17; Full proposal – September 17

**Description:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) invites applications for Transdisciplinary Collaborative Centers (TCCs) for health disparities research exploring the potential for precision medicine - an emerging approach that takes into account individual variability in genes, environment, and lifestyle - to promote health equity and reduce health disparities. Priorities include: 1) development of new tools and analytic methods for integrating patient data with information about contextual factors acting at the community or population level to influence health; 2) development of pharmacogenomic and other precision medicine tools to identify critical biomarkers for disease progression and drug responses in diverse populations; 3) translation of pharmacogenomic discoveries into effective treatment or clinical practice; and 4) investigation of facilitators and barriers to implementing precision medicine approaches in disadvantaged populations. - See more at: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MD-15-013.html#sthash.gqAubFpD.dpuf](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MD-15-013.html)

**Amount:** NIMHD intends to commit $6,000,000 in FY 2016 to fund approximately 3 awards, contingent on receipt of a sufficient number of scientifically meritorious applications. Application budgets are limited to $1,500,000 in direct costs annually, excluding consortium/contractual costs.

NIH—International Research Collaboration on Drug Abuse and Addiction Research (R01/R03/R21)

Deadlines for New Applications: Varies based on the activity code of the funding opportunity.
• R01 Deadlines for New Applications: October 5, February 5, June 5
• R03 Deadlines for New Applications: October 16, February 16, June 16
• R21 Deadlines for New Applications: October 16, February 16, June 16

Description: This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages collaborative research applications on drug abuse and addiction that take advantage of special opportunities that exist outside the United States. Special opportunities include access to unusual talent, resources, populations, or environmental conditions in other countries that will speed scientific discovery. Projects should have relevance to the mission of NIDA and where feasible should address NIDA’s international scientific priority areas. While the priorities will change from year to year, in FY15 priority areas include: linkages between HIV/AIDS and drug abuse; prevention, initiation, and treatment of nicotine and tobacco use (especially among vulnerable populations such as children, adolescents, pregnant women, and those with co-morbid disorders); the neuroscience of marijuana and cannabinoids; and the effect of changes in laws and policies on marijuana and its impact.

Amount:
• R01: Applications for an R01 award are not limited in dollars but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project. Applications are generally awarded for 1 - 5 budget periods, each normally 12 months in duration.
• R03: may request a project period of up to two years and a budget for direct costs of up to two $25,000 modules or $50,000 per year.
• R21: You may request a project period of up to two years. The combined budget for direct costs for the two year project period may not exceed $275,000. No more than $200,000 may be requested in any single year.

Links:

NIH—Early Career Award in Chemistry of Drug Abuse and Addiction (ECHEM) (R21/R33)

Deadlines for New Applications: June 16, October 16, February 16

Description: NIDA-funded research has furthered our understanding of the neurobiological mechanisms underlying drug addiction, but much remains to be learned. In particular, there is a need for research in the basic biological and chemical sciences to identify and explicate the neural mechanisms underlying drug abuse and addiction. Research into the chemistry of drug abuse can identify new targets for interventions or new chemical templates for treating toxic side effects of drugs/drugs of abuse. Moreover, the development of appropriate probes or new technologies has the potential to advance the field at a rapid rate. The study of the genetic, molecular, cellular, circuit-based, and behavioral mechanisms involved in addiction and the development of associated therapeutic strategies may all benefit from synthetic chemical research and approaches. This announcement is intended to encourage early career chemists (or chemists new to NIH) to develop probes that aid basic research investigations on drug abuse and/or identify new or better templates as lead compounds with potential for conducting structure activity relationship (SAR)-function studies. Importantly, this includes the identification of new chemical entities (NCEs) with therapeutic potential for drug abuse and addiction. Applicants responding to this FOA should explain their rationale for the proposed work, the inclusion of pharmacologic assessments, and the relationship of the research proposed in the context of a broader medications development pipeline (e.g., Target Identification > Probe/ligand screening > Synthesis of ligands > Assay development > Proof of concept > Lead optimization, etc.). Nevertheless, appropriate theoretical justification and sound hypotheses should be provided to engender confidence that the project is well thought out and feasible. An R21/R33 Phased Innovation Award has two phases: (1) R21 for milestone-driven exploratory or feasibility studies with a possible transition to, (2) the R33 for expanded development. Transition to the R33 depends on the ability of the applicant to meet predefined milestones (which are evaluated in peer review and negotiated with NIDA Scientific/Research Contract prior to the R21 award), as well as program priorities and the availability of funds.

Amount: For the R21 award, direct costs are limited to $250,000 over a two-year period, with a maximum of $200,000 allowed in any single year. The R33 award will be limited to $250,000 in direct costs per year. The total project period may not exceed 4 years. Awards will support milestone-driven exploratory/feasibility “proof of concept” studies (R21 phase, up to two years), with possible rapid transition to expedited development (R33 phase, up to three years, depending upon the requested period for the R21 phase).

James S. McDonnell Foundation—Collaborative Activity Awards

Deadline: Proposals are accepted at anytime.

Description: The Foundation offers Collaborative Activity Awards to initiate interdisciplinary discussions on problems or issues, to help launch interdisciplinary research networks, or to fund communities of researchers/practitioners dedicated to developing new methods, tools, and applications of basic research to applied problems. In each case the focus of the collaborative activity must meet the program guidelines for one of the following program areas:

- Studying Complex Systems
- Understanding Human Cognition
- Mathematical & Complex Systems Approaches for Brain Cancer

The 21st Century Collaborative Activity Awards are awards for multidisciplinary and multi-participant projects that address questions and topics relevant to the Foundation’s core and complementary program areas.

Amount: The budgets for collaborative activities will vary greatly depending on the scope of the proposed problem or project and on the number of people involved. The Foundation recognizes that funding must be appropriate to an activity’s specific scope and needs. It also recognizes that organizing and implementing such an activity can be exceedingly time consuming.

Link: [https://www.jsmf.org/apply/collaborative/](https://www.jsmf.org/apply/collaborative/)

William T. Grant Foundation—Distinguished Fellows

Deadline: Letters of Inquiry are due on August 4

Description: The William T. Grant Foundation’s Distinguished Fellows Program creates bridges between the research, practice, and policy communities. The program is designed to increase the supply of, demand for, and use of high-quality research to improve the lives of youth. During the Fellowship, researchers are immersed in a practice or policy setting, and policymakers and practitioners in a research organization. This immersion helps Fellows to observe and experience firsthand the needs and challenges of their new settings. We expect that these experiences will facilitate the production and use of relevant, high-quality research and create stronger connections across the research, policy, and practice communities.

Amount: Fellowships are up to $175,000 and range between six months and two years. In addition, fellowship sites may request up to $25,000 to defray costs associated with hosting a Fellow.

Link: [http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants#apply-wtgrant-distinguished-fellows](http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants#apply-wtgrant-distinguished-fellows)

Spencer Foundation—Small Research Grants

Deadline: August 20

Description: This program is organized under four areas of inquiry that identify broad topics believed to have fundamental and abiding importance for educational improvement: Educational and Social Opportunity; Organizational Learning; Purposes and Values of Education; Teaching, Learning, and Instructional Resources. Together these areas cover the range of contemporary research questions about education, including educational outcomes, purposes, practices, policies and enabling (or constraint) organizational contexts and processes. There are occasionally proposals that don’t fit within one of these broad areas; for those submissions, the proposal may be submitted as a field-initiated Small Research Grant.

Amount: $50,000 or less

Link: [http://www.spencer.org/content.cfm/budgets-50000-or-less](http://www.spencer.org/content.cfm/budgets-50000-or-less)
The Nathan Cummings Foundation

**Deadline:** Letter of inquiries are accepted on a rolling basis and are reviewed by NCF staff within 60 days.

**Description:** In order to address inequality, the Foundation will invest in work with strong potential to create pathways to economic opportunity, particularly for women and people of color, and that takes seriously the need to:

- Improve quality of life for the poor;
- Move toward greater equality of opportunity, meaning that where someone is born on the income distribution would not limit their chances to move up; and
- Challenge structures and ideas that allow a vastly disproportionate share of the nation’s wealth to be concentrated in the hands of a few.

The Foundation will address climate change as a consequence of progress in human development and economic prosperity, and will fund promising work that helps activate American ingenuity in pursuit of three interrelated goals:

- Increasing access to modern energy for the world’s poor; and
- Stabilizing greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere at a low level; and
- Improving resilience for those most vulnerable to the negative consequences of climate variability and change.

**Amount:** Award amounts vary based on the scope of the proposed project.

**Link:** [http://ncf.org/how-apply](http://ncf.org/how-apply)

Howard Hughes Medical Institute / Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation / Simons Foundation

**Faculty Scholar Program**

**Deadline:** July 28, 2015

**Description:** The Faculty Scholars competition is open to basic researchers and physician scientists who bring innovative approaches to the study of biological problems. Scholars will apply molecular, genetic, computational and theoretical approaches to fundamental problems in diverse areas of biology. Among those particularly encouraged to apply are scientists conducting research at the interface of the biological and physical sciences as well as physician scientists and others studying biological questions emerging from and applicable to global human health problems, including malaria, tuberculosis, HIV, and other diseases that disproportionately affect individuals living in low resource settings. Women and minorities underrepresented in the biomedical sciences are also strongly encouraged to apply.

**Amount:** Awardees will receive a five-year, non-renewable grant whose size will be based on several factors, including the amount of external funding the scientist has at the time of the grant. The grants will range from $100,000 to $400,000 per year for direct costs. The awardee’s institution will be given an additional 20 percent of the yearly grant for indirect (or administrative) costs. Faculty Scholars are required to devote at least 50 percent of their total effort to the direct conduct of research.

**Eligibility:** More than 4, but no more than 10, years of post-training, professional experience. To meet this requirement, the applicant’s post-training, professional experience must have begun no earlier than June 1, 2005, and no later than July 1, 2011. Principal investigator or Co-Principal Investigator on at least one active, nationally competitive grant with an initial term of two or more years at some point from April 1, 2013 through July 1, 2015. Career development grants qualify. Multi-investigator grants may qualify.

**Link:** [http://www.hhmi.org/programs/biomedical-research/faculty-scholars](http://www.hhmi.org/programs/biomedical-research/faculty-scholars)
Bridge Fund Program (CUNY)

Deadline: None

Award Ceiling: The program will provide up to a maximum of $25,000.

Description: CUNY faculty who run externally funded research programs and who run into a funding crisis due to a competitive renewal of their grant not being funded may apply for bridge funds under specific circumstances as outlined below. In appropriate cases this program will provide up to a maximum of $25,000, when justified, with an equal match requirement from the home campus of the faculty member. In order to ensure the continuance of this program and provide funding for as many faculty as possible, it is required that 50% of the funding provided by this office must be repaid within 6 months of the faculty member receiving any external funding, this repayment should come from indirect costs generated by the newly funded grant(s).

In order to be considered for funding through this program, faculty must meet a number of requirements, including:

- Have a history of continuous (at least six years), independent external funding for their research project (institutional grants do not meet this requirement).
- Have submitted a competitive renewal that has not been funded but that can be resubmitted at the next deadline.
- Have a signed commitment for an equal amount of matching funds from their home campus.
- Submit a detailed list of any funds currently available to them, including no-cost extensions, as well as a time frame for re-submission of the research proposal.
- Submit a list of other grant proposals submitted with timelines for possible funding.
- Submit a detailed budget for the bridge funds – acceptable items that will be considered include salaries for a postdoc, technician, graduate student; supplies; user fees for research facilities.

Link: [http://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding-programs/bridge-fund-program.html](http://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding-programs/bridge-fund-program.html)

Travel Funds Program (CUNY)

Deadline: None

Description: On occasion it is important for faculty to travel to funding agencies, especially federal agencies, to discuss specific RFPs or RFAs. There are also occasions when faculty members are invited to such funding agencies to discuss their individual proposals. The Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research has limited funds that can be made available to assist with travel etc. for such specific occasions.

- Travel funds may be reimbursed only for travel to funding agencies.
- Funds are to be used exclusively for travel and hotel costs (meals, cab fares are excluded).
- Applicants must apply for reimbursement prior to travel with the form that can be downloaded at the link below. These funds are only for reimbursement after travel is completed, and cannot be forward funded.
- If the request is approved, the form will be returned to the applicant, along with a Travel Voucher form.
- Once travel is completed, applicant must fill out and sign the Travel Voucher form, attach all receipts and supporting documentation (conference program, e.g.), and submit to the Office of University Research

Link: [http://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding-programs/travel-funds-program.html](http://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding-programs/travel-funds-program.html)
The Office of the Advancement of Research’s (OAR) Internal Funding Programs

**NOTE:** The Office for the Advancement of Research (OAR) is dedicated to working with faculty in the pursuit of their research and scholarly goals, and is available to assist faculty in grant-seeking and publication activities. Faculty members are encouraged to consult with OAR on any aspect of these processes. OAR promotes faculty success through several funding programs. Applications to all programs are accepted on a rolling basis (with the exception of the Senior Scholar Release Program, for which applications are accepted between 15 Feb and 30 March). Applications are reviewed during the first full week of each calendar month, with decisions returned to applicants by the second Thursday of each calendar month. Funding is offered through the following programs:

### Seed Money Requests

**Description:** Funds are available to support pilot or preliminary work necessary to pursue a major grant application to an external funding agency. Funds may be requested to undertake a pilot study to gather background data toward supporting a major proposal. Funds may also be requested to conduct planning activities or support the writing of a major proposal. **Funds are limited to $2,000 per request.** Faculty requesting Seed Money will need to submit to an external funding program within one (1) year of receiving funding, and must revise and resubmit the proposal at least one time (to the same or an alternative external funding program) if the original proposal is not funded. To make a request to the Seed Money program, faculty must submit a two page project summary to OAR. This summary should justify the seed request, detail the funding agency being targeted and the nature of the planned proposal, and provide a detailed budget. Requests should be submitted in electronic form to OAR (oar@jjay.cuny.edu) with Seed Money clearly indicated in the subject line.

### Open-Access Publication Funding

**Description:** Funds are available to faculty who wish to publish articles in open-access format in major, peer-reviewed, scholarly journals. Once a manuscript is accepted for publication, faculty must submit a request to OAR with the journal name, a copy of the acceptance letter, and a brief description of the journal quality and reach. Requests should be submitted in electronic form to OAR (oar@jjay.cuny.edu) with Open-Access Publication clearly indicated in the subject line. **Funding is limited to $1,000 per request.**

### Faculty Scholarship Funding

**Description:** Funds are available to support efforts related to the publication of a significant work of scholarship or the mounting of a creative work such as a performance, art exhibition, musical composition, etc. **Funds are limited to $1,500 per request,** and can be used for the purpose of travel to libraries, archives, or other sites for data collection; purchase of software or equipment required for analysis; costs related to the mounting of creative works, etc. Funds are not intended to support release time or conference travel. Faculty requesting Faculty Scholarship Funding must publish (as a book or in a peer-reviewed journal) or produce the results of the funded work within one (1) year of receiving funding. To make a request to the Seed Money program, faculty must submit a two page project summary to OAR. This summary should justify the need for funding, describe the intended scholarly outcome, and provide a detailed budget. Requests should be submitted in electronic form to OAR (oar@jjay.cuny.edu) with Scholarly Output Funding clearly indicated in the subject line.

### Proposal Pre-Review

**Description:** To improve the quality of external grant proposals and their likelihood of success, OAR makes funds available for faculty to obtain external reviews of grant proposals, prior to their submission to an agency or funding organization. Requests must be made in writing to OAR (oar@jjay.cuny.edu) with Proposal Pre-Review clearly indicated in the email subject line. Please include a summary of the grant application to be reviewed, along with a potential reviewer’s name, title, affiliation(s), and a brief (one sentence) description of her qualifications. Faculty are responsible for identifying and handling all communications with the peer reviewer, and the request must be sent at least 5 weeks before the grant deadline in order to be considered. OAR will provide an honorarium of **$250 (limited to one review per grant application),** which will be paid directly to the peer reviewer to incentivize her work. The PI must submit a copy of the external review to OAR at least two weeks prior to the grant application deadline in order for the honorarium to be paid.

### Book Publication Funding

**Description:** The Office for the Advancement of Research wishes to support faculty authors who are in the process of publishing books (as a single-author/editor or first-author/editor) with high-quality, reputable presses. OAR will reimburse the author up to $1,000 to pay page fees, indexing fees, image rights, etc. Once a book proposal is accepted for publication, faculty must submit a request to OAR with (1) the original proposal, (2) a copy of the publication contract, (3) a brief description of the publisher’s quality and reach, and (4) copies of receipts or invoices for the services to be funded. Applications will not be considered in the absence of receipts or invoices totaling the full amount of funding requested. Please note that contracts in which the author receives an advance of any amount are not eligible for this funding program. Requests should be submitted in electronic form to OAR (oar@jjay.cuny.edu) with Book Publication clearly indicated in the subject line.
Community Event Funding

**Description:** The OAR will fund scholarly or creative events to be held at John Jay College that are free of charge and open to faculty or the John Jay Community as a whole. Faculty requesting funding should submit a 2-3 page proposal in electronic form to OAR (oar@jjay.cuny.edu) with Collaborative and Community Project Funding clearly indicated in the subject line. Successful requests will include either (1) a description of the collaborative project, planned scholarly outcomes and external funding applications, and a detailed budget with justifications for why funding is needed; or (2) a detailed description of the planned events or opportunities, along with a budget and a clear rationale for how the John Jay community stands to benefit. **Average funding is expected to range from $1,000 to $1,500.**

Enhanced Travel Funding

**Description:** The OAR will fund major travel opportunities with the potential to have a significant impact on a faculty scholar's trajectory. Examples include personally invited talks, special workshops or trainings, keynote addresses at major conferences, etc. Travel to present papers accepted as part of a public call or invitation to a standard academic conference is not eligible. **Requests are limited to $1,000 per faculty member.** In order to apply, please submit requests in electronic form to OAR (oar@jjay.cuny.edu) with Enhanced Travel Funding clearly indicated in the subject line. Successful requests will include (1) a justification for the funding need that clearly differentiates the travel opportunity from the general round of academic conferences in your discipline; (2) a personal letter of invitation detailing the expected parameters of your participation; and (3) an accompanying explanation from your department chair as to why they are unable to fund the opportunity through the departmental travel allocation.

Emergency Fund Program

**Description:** Support is available for research or other scholarly activities that specifically address a need that is urgent and/or time sensitive in nature. This may include support for research on disasters or other unanticipated events for which a rapid response is critical. Emergency funds may also be requested for events that could not be anticipated in the normal course of research, for example, new legislative funding priorities that are time-sensitive in nature, cuts to a grant budget that may severely impact performance, etc. Emergency Funds are not appropriate for needs that could have been anticipated in the normal course of research. To make a request to the Emergency Fund, faculty must submit a one-page project summary electronically to OAR (oar@jjay.cuny.edu, with Emergency Funds clearly indicated in the subject line) detailing the nature of the research planned and reason the project qualifies for emergency funds, including a detailed budget. **Average funding is expected to be $3,000.**

Senior Scholar Release Program

**Description:** This program is intended for tenured Associate and full Professors who are working toward a major scholarly outcome or creative project and have no other sources of course release. **The fund provides 1-2 courses of release time** to be used in the subsequent academic year (or, in the case of Fall applications, the following semester). Applications for release during the 2015-16 Academic Year are due March 30, 2015; if any courses of release time remain unallocated, an additional round of applications for Spring 2016 will be accepted during the Summer with a deadline of September 30, 2015. These funds cannot be used for Summer Salary or any support other than course release time during the semester designated in the original application. Faculty must submit a two- to five-page project summary to the Office for the Advancement of Research, detailing the nature of the scholarship planned and the reason the project requires the requested amount of course release time. Requests should be submitted in electronic form to OAR (oar@jjay.cuny.edu) with Scholar Release Program clearly indicated in the subject line.

**Funds in each category listed above are limited and available on a first-come, first-serve basis. The Office for the Advancement of Research will try to post, in an ongoing manner, what program budgets have been exhausted for an academic year. However, faculty are advised to consult our webpage or send an inquiry email to oar@jjay.cuny.edu before writing a proposal to confirm that a specific program is still accepting invitations.**

In addition to these funding programs, OAR also has several competitive Award programs that recognize faculty scholarship and fund competitive research proposals, including: the Faculty Scholarly Excellence Award Program, the Collaborative Research Award Program, the Faculty Mid-Career Research Support Program, and the Donal EJ MacNamara Junior Faculty Award. To find out more about these Award programs please visit the Research page on the John Jay
OSP Tip:

Is your RF project end date approaching? Follow these steps to closeout your Award.

In order to make the reporting and closeout process as smooth as possible, please follow the closeout steps listed below. You are welcome to meet with Darryl Singh in the Office of Sponsored Programs to review your account and the closeout process.

**Final Financial and Progress reporting** are usually due within 30 days of the project end date and within 90 days for Federally sponsored projects.

1. Please submit all **expenses incurred within your grant budget period** for payment immediately.
2. Make sure that all **encumbrances are paid out and cleared**.
3. **Advances** (travel, petty cash, etc.) and P-card charges should be fully accounted for.
4. **Annual Leave Balances** should be paid out from available funds, for all employees from the grant.
5. **Final Progress and Technical Reports** should be submitted directly to the sponsor as instructed in your grant/contract agreement or to your grants office (if submitted online). Please submit a copy to OSP for our records.
6. If you choose to **request a no-cost extension**, please contact John Jay’s Office of Sponsored Programs and the Sponsor immediately with your request. Sponsors require that the request be made at least 30 days before the grant end date.