Funding Opportunity Alert!!
The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) is in the process of releasing funding opportunities for FY 2018. Below is a list of current opportunities and their respective application due dates. Lookout for upcoming emails from OSP with new opportunities!

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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 for which you want to apply. 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 or sponsoredprograms@jay.cuny.edu.
### Did You Know?

- Forgotten or do not have an RF logon ID? Please email weblogonid@rfcuny.org to obtain this information, and to gain access to the RFCUNY web pages and E-systems.
- John Jay Faculty and Staff can join OSP’s Listserv by clicking the link below: http://listserver.jjay.cuny.edu/cgi-bin/wa.exe?SUBED1=SPONSORED_EDPROGRAMS&A=1
- Planning to buy a computer on your RF-sponsored project? Please contact these representatives. By doing so you will be able to secure educational pricing and sales tax exemption.
  - For Dell Computers, contact: Terri Lehenbauer, Senior Sales Representative – Education Sales
    Toll free + 877-671-3355 x 5139266 Direct: 512-513-9266
    Terri_Lehenbauer@dell.com
  - The Apple sales rep for CUNY is Dave Koffskey, (512) 674-6871
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    www.apple.com/education
  - All purchases made through the RF are exempt from sales tax in NY, NJ, FL, IL, MO, OH, RI and TN. The RF is also exempt from NYC Hotel Occupancy taxes. Make sure to call the front desk to let them know that you are tax exempt and find out if they need additional information. If you have a p-card, check the upper left hand side for RF’s tax exempt number. If you need a copy of the tax exempt form, contact Jeannie Buxo at jbuxo@jjay.cuny.edu.
  - The maximum amount of annual leave an RF employee may be permitted to carry-over into subsequent calendar years will be 175 hours. PIs should work with their project employees to work down their annual leave accruals.
  - The Full Time and Part Time fringe rate has been lowered to 36.0% (+ 0.34% MTA tax) effective Feb. 2018.

### Current RFCUNY Website to be Decommissioned Friday, March 23

On Friday, March 23, 2018 at 5 p.m., RFCUNY’s current website will be decommissioned and replaced by the new website (in preview since December 1, 2017). Become familiar with the new site and learn more about the changes that have been made with the new design. Explore the story Behind the RFCUNY Website Redesign.

### Amendment to RFCUNY’s Time and Leave Policy

RFCUNY’s Time and Leave policy has been amended as follows:

1. To conform the language of the Foundation’s Time and Leave Benefits for All Research Foundation Employees, Policy No. 506, to the requirements of the New York State Paid Family Leave (PFL) law effective January 1, 2018;

2. To provide guidelines for the use of up to 40 hours of sick leave per calendar year to care for a family member needing medical diagnosis, care, treatment or preventative medical treatment;

3. As part of the Foundation’s on-going effort to facilitate the scheduling and use of annual leave within the appointment period in which it is earned, and to eliminate the unfunded liability that had accumulated over the years, to:
   - Allow the charging of less than ¼ hour of annual leave on the final time sheet;
   - Eliminate the three month waiting period for the use of annual leave;
   - Codify the practice of not allowing carryover of annual leave from one project year to the next;
   - Codify the practice of requiring the payout of accrued and unused annual leave within two months of the appointment end date; and
   - Direct that unused annual leave to be paid out is to be charged against the project under which it was earned and, in the event funds are not available, is charged against the college’s earnings account.

Additionally, a procedure has been added to Policy 506-H that provides, among other things, clarification and information on the applicable uses of accruals under PFL, and the requirements of the NYC Earned Safe and Sick Time Act (ESSTA), effective May 5, 2018.

Finally, the Personnel Action Form (PAF) has been modified to reflect the responsibilities of both the Project Director and the employee with respect to the usage of annual leave within the appointment period.

Questions? Contact RFCUNY Human Resources at 212-417-8600.
Mandatory RF E-Services Systems Training for all John Jay PIs, Admins and Timekeepers

John Jay College has requested the support of the Research Foundation of CUNY (RF) to provide mandatory training to all authorized users of the RF’s E-Services systems (E-PAF and E-Timesheet).

The objective of the training is to provide information on the functionality of the E-Systems, and to ensure that all authorized users understand their role and responsibilities.

At the end of the training, we expect attendees to:
1. Learn how to access the RF E-Systems - Create user ID and password.
2. Understand their role and responsibilities.
3. Learn the functionality of the systems.
4. Learn how to create, submit, and approve transactions.

Training will be held at John Jay College on the following date and time:
**Thursday, April 12, 2018, at 10:50am-1:20 p.m.,**
Room WP115 Westport Building 500 West 56th Street, New York, NY 10019

Please click on the following link to register for the training and be sure to choose the box on the right titled "Mandatory RF E-Services Systems Training for all John Jay PIs, Admins": [https://rfcuny.simplybook.me/v2](https://rfcuny.simplybook.me/v2)

RFCUNY offers training sessions for the web-based e-PAF and Time & Leave systems through November 2018. Grants Officers, principal investigators, timekeepers, and administrative assistants are strongly encouraged to enroll. Participants will learn how to use the systems for processing employee appointments and creating/submitting timesheets.

John Jay Principal Investigators, Authorized Signatories and Timekeepers of the RF’s E-Services systems should register for the “Mandatory RF E-Services Systems Training for all John Jay PIs, Admins” at [https://rfcuny.simplybook.me/v2/](https://rfcuny.simplybook.me/v2/). (Choose the box on the right titled “Mandatory RF E-Services Systems Training for all John Jay PIs, Admins”). Training for these sessions will be held at John Jay College on the following dates and times:

**Thursday, April 12, 2018, at 10:50am-1:20 p.m.,**
Room WP115 Westport Building 500 West 56th Street, New York, NY 10019

All others should participate in the following training sessions which will be held at the Research Foundation of CUNY (central office), 230 West 41st Street (between 7th & 8th Avenues), 7th Floor from 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Dates**
- Tuesday, April 10, Tuesday, May 8, Tuesday, June 5, Tuesday, September 11, Tuesday, October 9, Tuesday, November 5

**RSVP:** Please use the [Simply Book](https://rfcuny.simplybook.me/v2) meeting scheduling service to register.
Inside Private Prisons: An American Dilemma in the Age of Mass Incarceration

By Lauren-Brooke Eisen  Wednesday, April 25

Lauren-Brooke Eisen, senior counsel in the Brennan Center’s Justice Program, details the complicated and perverse incentives rooted in the private prison industry, from mandatory bed occupancy to vested interests in mass incarceration. The book explores opportunities for reform and helps citizens to understand the complex carceral landscape in the United States.
Dr. Dennis Jay Kenney
Professor in the Department of Justice

Dr. Dennis Jay Kenney is a Professor in the Department of Criminal Justice at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, a position he has held since 1999. Prior to John Jay, Dr. Kenney’s experience included time as a Florida police officer, faculty member at several universities and a project and Research Director at two policing think tanks.

Dr. Kenney’s current project, is focused on work with Mexico’s Federal Police in their efforts to build and promote a culture of lawfulness within both their police agency and in the communities they serve. These efforts include the development of pre- and in-service training, methods of organizational rewards and recognition, the development of community-based problem solving interactive efforts and an annual nationwide survey of Federal Police on attitudes and perceptions of corruption and misconduct. These efforts in Mexico are supported with a $933,000 grant from the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL).

Prior to his work with the Federal Police, Dr. Kenney spent years working with the Colombian National Police on rule of law and culture of lawfulness projects as well as with police and schools on similar projects elsewhere in Mexico, the Republic of Georgia and Panama. In addition, he has led a series of complex projects including nationwide surveys of citizens and police in both Yemen and Albania, an evaluation of U.S. sponsored training of police in Ukraine, the response of U.S. police to abortion related conflicts and a multi-year, multi-city study of the issues of policing culturally diverse societies.

Dr. Kenney holds a Ph.D. in criminal justice from Rutgers University. He is the author or co-author of numerous articles and books including Police Pursuits: What We Know (2000), A Conflict of Rights (1999), Crime in the Schools (1998), Organized Crime in America (1995), and Crime, Fear and the New York City Subways (1986). Additionally, Dr. Kenney consults regularly to numerous police agencies, has managed sponsored research and technical assistance projects, and is past editor of the American Journal of Police and current editor of Police Quarterly.
FERPA and the Use of CUNY Educational Data for Research Purposes

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that aims to keep student educational records private and accessible only by the student or their designee. Researchers who want to use student data for research purposes are required to comply with CUNY Guidance and Procedures for Requesting and Using Data from CUNY Educational Records for Research Purposes in Compliance with FERPA. The following information is excerpted from the guidance.

Who can extract or release data from educational records for research purposes?

Administrative educational records data (identifiable or de-identified) may only be released for research purposes by the CUNY Office of Institutional Research (OIR) or the Office of Institutional Research at a CUNY college/school.

Researchers who have access to educational records via Blackboard or classwork in their capacity as a CUNY faculty or staff member may extract such records for research purposes, but the research records must be recorded AND the research results disseminated in such a way that individual students cannot be identified. Only de-identified data may be provided to other CUNY faculty or staff for research purposes. Release of identifiable educational records for research purposes by any other CUNY office or affiliate requires clearance from the CUNY Office of Legal Affairs.

What is “Personally Identifiable Student Information (PII)”?

Per federal regulations, data is PII if it contains student’s name, address, SSN, date or place of birth, mother’s maiden name, or any other information that would allow a reasonable person in the school community to identify the student with reasonable certainty.

Can I use PII for research purposes?

Signed FERPA Release: Best practice is to have students execute a CUNY FERPA Release that details the information to be accessed and the purpose of the research.

FERPA “studies exception”: In certain limited circumstances, PII may be used for research without student consent:

1. The OIR or other authorized CUNY body may approve the release of PII if the study is intended to develop predictive tests, help administer student aid programs, or improve instruction, and is primarily for CUNY’s benefit rather than the researcher’s benefit.
2. The study must be conducted such that personal identification of students and parents is not possible outside of the research team, and the information must be destroyed when no longer needed for the research.
3. Researchers must enter into a written agreement with CUNY.

More information:

- CUNY Guidance and Procedures, posted in the “Types of Research” section, here: [http://www2.cuny.edu/research/research-compliance/human-research-protection-program-hrpp/hrpp-policies-procedures/](http://www2.cuny.edu/research/research-compliance/human-research-protection-program-hrpp/hrpp-policies-procedures/)
- John Jay Office of Institutional Research: [https://www.jjay.cuny.edu/office-institutional-research](https://www.jjay.cuny.edu/office-institutional-research)
- Contact Lynda Mules, Associate Director of Research Compliance, in the Office for the Advancement of Research at lmules@jjay.cuny.edu or 212-237-8914 for questions, consultation or to arrange training or presentations.

The Office for the Advancement of Research (OAR) oversees research compliance activities and provides education, training and support on Responsible Conduct of Research, the Human Research Protection Program, Conflict of Interest, and Import/Export Control. [http://www.jjay.cuny.edu/research/compliance](http://www.jjay.cuny.edu/research/compliance)
Dear Colleague Letter: Interested in these or any other funding opportunities?

Contact the Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) 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 much more!

National Institute of Justice—Funding Opportunities

NIJ-Strengthening the Medical Examiner-Coroner System Program

Deadline: April 6, 2018

Description: With this solicitation, NIJ seeks proposals to strengthen the medical examiner/coroner (ME/C) system in the United States. Through this program, NIJ will support grants in two focus areas by:

(1) Supporting forensic pathology fellowships; and

(2) Providing resources necessary for medical examiner and coroner offices to achieve accreditation.

Amount: $32,000


NIJ- Research and Evaluation on Violence Against Women: Sexual Violence, Intimate Partner Violence, Stalking, and Teen Dating Violence

Deadline: April 12, 2018

Description: The goals of the Violence Against Women program of research are to improve knowledge and understanding of intimate partner and dating violence, stalking, and sexual violence through science to best prevent and respond to these violent crimes. This call for proposals is tied to Department of Justice priorities related to reducing violent crime, responding to victimization, protecting police officers, enhancing investigations and prosecution, and strengthening immigration enforcement. NIJ strives to support objective and independent knowledge and validated tools to reduce violence against women, promote justice for victims of crime, and enhance criminal justice responses to such crimes.

Amount: NIJ anticipates that up to a total of $4.5 million may become available for multiple awards made through this solicitation. Awards will normally not exceed a three-year period of performance.

**NIJ—Communications Technologies Research and Evaluation for Law Enforcement and Corrections Applications**

**Deadline:** April 23, 2018

**Description:** With this solicitation, NIJ seeks proposals for communications technologies research and evaluation projects: (1) to develop practical knowledge to inform the deployment of mobile broadband communications technologies by law enforcement agencies in the United States; or (2) to identify feasible technology solutions to combat the use of contraband wireless devices in correctional facilities.

**Amount:** NIJ expects to make at least one award in each application area with an estimated total amount awarded of up to $2 million. Awards will normally not exceed a three-year period of performance.


**NIJ—Research and Evaluation on Hate Crimes**

**Deadline:** May 3, 2018

**Description:** The purpose of this solicitation is to support research and evaluation to: (1) understand the motivations and pathways to hate crime offending; (2) determine whether programs targeted at hate crime offenders are effective at reducing reoffending; (3) determine whether programs that work with victims of hate crimes and their communities are effective at reducing the harms caused by hate crimes; and (4) provide information that will improve investigative and prosecutorial outcomes.

**Amount:** NIJ expects to make up to 2 awards with an estimated total amount awarded of up to $1.5 million. Awards will normally not exceed a three-year period of performance.


**NIJ—Research and Development in Forensic Science for Criminal Justice Purposes**

**Deadline:** April 24, 2018

**Description:** This solicitation seeks applications for funding to support basic or applied research and development forensic science projects.

**Amount:** Varies across disciplinary research programs

NIJ—W.E.B. Du Bois Program of Research on Crime

**Deadline:** April 30, 2018

**Description:** The W.E.B. Du Bois Program supports quantitative and qualitative research that furthers the Department’s mission by advancing knowledge regarding the intersections of race, crime, violence, and the administration of justice within the United States. This solicitation seeks investigator-initiated proposals for funding to conduct research on topics linked to issues deemed critical by the U.S. Department of Justice.

**Amount:**
1. **W.E.B. Du Bois Scholars in Race and Crime Research** – Researchers who are advanced in their careers (awarded a terminal degree at least six years prior to December 31, 2018) may apply for 36-month (or less) grants, with funding up to $500,000 for research and mentoring less-experienced researchers.

2. **W.E.B. Du Bois Fellowship for Research on Race and Crime** – Researchers who are early in their careers (awarded a terminal degree within six years prior to December 31, 2018) may apply for 24-month (or less) grants, with funding up to $250,000 for research. A period of residency at NIJ is optional, but not required.


NIJ—Tribal-Researcher Capacity Building Grants

**Deadline:** April 23, 2018

**Description:** NIJ actively supports research that involves federally recognized tribes (or tribally based organizations) on issues of crime and justice in the United States. In doing so, NIJ is committed to ethical and engaged efforts in line with responsible research conduct and federal trust responsibilities. This solicitation seeks to enhance and expand such research through the provision of grants to support development of relevant, new and innovative research projects. To ensure proposed projects result in tangible and mutually beneficial studies, they must include a new tribal-researcher partnership component.

**Amount:** NIJ expects to make up to five awards with an estimated total amount awarded of up to $500,000. Awards will normally not exceed an 18-month period of performance.


NIJ—Artificial Intelligence Technology Applied Research and Development for Law Enforcement Applications

**Deadline:** April 30, 2018

**Description:** With this solicitation, NIJ is seeking applications for research to apply advances in artificial intelligence (AI) technologies to support law enforcement in preventing, responding to, and investigating gang violence, human and drug trafficking, migrant smuggling, opioid trafficking, and/or child pornography. NIJ is most interested in proposals that apply AI technology to combatting: Street gang violence and victimization, Human trafficking, Migrant smuggling, Opioid trafficking, Child pornography.

**Amount:** NIJ expects to make one or more awards with an estimated total amount awarded of up to $2 million. Awards will normally not exceed a three-year period of performance.

### National Institute of Justice—Funding Opportunities—Cont’d

**NIJ—Research and Evaluation on Drugs and Crime**

**Deadline:** April 25, 2018

**Description:** The Department has identified two drug priorities for this solicitation: (1) drug trafficking, markets, and use related to heroin and other opioids (including fentanyl, diverted pharmaceuticals, synthetic drugs, and analogues); and (2) illegal marijuana markets and drug-related violent crime.

**Amount:** NIJ anticipates at least $2.5 million will be available to fund four or more grants across the two drug priorities, and at least $500,000 will be available for relevant research in Indian Country and Alaska Native Villages. Awards will normally not exceed a three-year period of performance.


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**NIJ—Research and Evaluation on Gangs and Gang Violence**

**Deadline:** April 24, 2018

**Description:** NIJ is seeking applications for the funding of research and program evaluation projects that inform efforts to reduce street gang activity and violence in the United States. Gangs and gang members are responsible for a large amount of crime and violence in many localities, and are responsible for a disproportionate share in those communities most afflicted by crime and violence. NIJ will support scientifically rigorous research and evaluation projects designed to produce findings with high practical utility for gang prevention, intervention, enforcement, or reentry strategies. This solicitation supports the U.S. Department of Justice’s priority to prevent and reduce crime.

**Amount:** NIJ expects to make one or more awards with an estimated total amount awarded of up to $1 million. Awards will normally not exceed a three-year period of performance.


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**NIJ—Research and Evaluation in Corrections**

**Deadline:** April 23, 2018

**Description:** NIJ is seeking rigorous research to evaluate promising practices and strategies that aim to promote effective management and supervision of offenders in both institutions and in the community. Specifically, NIJ is interested in receiving proposals for research and evaluation focused on:

- Reducing violence and misconduct.
- Provision of medical and mental health services.

**Amount:** NIJ expects to make multiple awards with an estimated total amount awarded of up to $3 million. Of the $3 million proposed for this solicitation, NIJ expects that at least $500,000 will be available for relevant research in Indian Country. *Awards will normally not exceed a three-year period of performance.*

### NSF—Social Psychology

**Deadline:** July 16, 2018  
July 15, Annually Thereafter

**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.

**Link:** [https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5712](https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5712)

### NSF—Developmental Sciences (DS)

**Deadline:** July 16, 2018  
July 15, Annually Thereafter

**Description:** DS supports basic research that increases our understanding of cognitive, linguistic, social, cultural, and biological processes related to human development across the lifespan. Research supported by this program will add to our knowledge of the underlying developmental processes that support social, cognitive, and behavioral functioning, thereby illuminating ways for individuals to live productive lives as members of society.

DS supports research that addresses developmental processes within the domains of cognitive, social, emotional, and motor development across the lifespan by working with any appropriate populations for the topics of interest including infants, children, adolescents, adults, and non-human animals. The program also supports research investigating factors that affect developmental change including family, peers, school, community, culture, media, physical, genetic, and epigenetic influences. Additional priorities include research that: incorporates multidisciplinary, multi-method, microgenetic, and longitudinal approaches; develops new methods, models, and theories for studying development; includes participants from a range of ethnicities, socioeconomic backgrounds, and cultures; and integrates different processes (e.g., memory, emotion, perception, cognition), levels of analysis (e.g., behavioral, social, neural), and time scales.

**Amount:** A typical project funded through the DS program is approximately 3 years in duration with a total cost, including both direct and indirect costs, between $100,000 and $200,000 per year.

**Link:** [https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=8671](https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=8671)
National Science Foundation – Funding Opportunities (Cont’d)

**NSF—Research Coordination Networks (RCN)**

**Deadline:** Anytime

**Description:** The goal of the RCN program is to advance a field or create new directions in research or education. Groups of investigators will be supported 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.

**Amount:** $7,500,000 to $17,500,000.


**NSF—Economics**

**Deadline:** August 20, 2018

**Description:** The Economics program supports research designed to improve the understanding of the processes and institutions of the U.S. economy and of the world system of which it is a part. This program also strengthens both empirical and theoretical economic analysis as well as the methods for rigorous research on economic behavior. It supports research in almost every area of economics, including econometrics, economic history, environmental economics, finance, industrial organization, international economics, labor economics, macroeconomics, mathematical economics, and public finance.

The Economics program welcomes proposals for individual or multi-investigator research projects, doctoral dissertation improvement awards, conferences, symposia, experimental research, data collection and dissemination, computer equipment and other instrumentation, and research experience for undergraduates. The program places a high priority on interdisciplinary research. Investigators are encouraged to submit proposals of joint interest to the Economics Program and other NSF programs and NSF initiative areas. The program places a high priority on broadening participation and encourages proposals from junior faculty, women, other underrepresented minorities, Research Undergraduate Institutions, and EPSCoR states. The program also funds conferences and interdisciplinary research that strengthens links among economics and the other social and behavioral sciences as well as mathematics and statistics.

**Amount:** Varies across disciplinary research programs.

**Link:** [https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5437](https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5437)

**Amount:** Application budgets vary according to the funding opportunity, please see links above for more information.
NSF—Science of Organizations (SoO)

**Deadline:** September 4, 2018

**Description:** Organizations -- private and public, established and entrepreneurial, designed and emergent, formal and informal, profit and nonprofit -- are critical to the well-being of nations and their citizens. They are of crucial importance for producing goods and services, creating value, providing jobs, and achieving social goals. The Science of Organizations (SoO) program funds basic research that yields a scientific evidence base for improving the design and emergence, development and deployment, and management and ultimate effectiveness of organizations of all kinds.

SoO funds research that advances our fundamental understanding of how organizations develop, form and operate. Successful SoO research proposals use scientific methods to develop and refine theories, to empirically test theories and frameworks, and to develop new measures and methods. Funded research is aimed at yielding generalizable insights that are of value to the business practitioner, policy-maker and research communities.

SoO welcomes any and all rigorous, scientific approaches that illuminate aspects of organizations as systems of coordination, management and governance.

**Amount:** Varies across disciplinary research programs.

**Link:** [https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=504696](https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=504696)

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NSF—Science, Technology, and Society (STS)

**Deadline:** August 3, 2018

**Description:** The Science, Technology, and Society (STS) program supports research that uses historical, philosophical, and social scientific methods to investigate the intellectual, material, and social facets of the scientific, technological, engineering and mathematical (STEM) disciplines. It encompasses a broad spectrum of STS topics including interdisciplinary studies of ethics, equity, governance, and policy issues that are closely related to STEM disciplines, including medical science.

The program’s review process is approximately six months. It includes appraisal of proposals by ad hoc reviewers selected for their expertise and by an advisory panel that meets twice a year. The deadlines for the submission of proposals are February 2nd for proposals to be funded as early as July, and August 3rd for proposals to be funded in or after January. There is one exception: Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant proposals will have only one deadline per year, August 3rd.

The Program encourages potential investigators with questions as to whether their proposal fits the goals of the program to contact one of the program officers.

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

National Science Foundation – Funding Opportunities (Cont’d)

**NSF—Sociology**

**Deadline:** August 15, 2018

**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. Click here for information on Strengthening Qualitative Research through Methodological Innovation and Integration. The Sociology Program also funds doctoral dissertation research to defray direct costs associated with conducting research, for example, dataset acquisition, additional statistical or methodological training, meeting with scholars associated with original datasets, and fieldwork away from the student's home campus. See the Sociology Program Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Awards Solicitation for more information on this opportunity.

**Amount:** Varies across disciplinary research programs

**Link:** [https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5369](https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5369)

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**NSF—Decision, Risk and Management Sciences (DRMS)**

**Deadline:** August 20, 2018

**Description:** The Decision, Risk and Management Sciences program supports scientific research directed at increasing the understanding and effectiveness of decision making by individuals, groups, organizations, and society. Disciplinary and interdisciplinary research, doctoral dissertation research improvement grants (DDRIGs), and workshops are funded in the areas of judgment and decision making; decision analysis and decision aids; risk analysis, perception, and communication; societal and public policy decision making; management science and organizational design. The program also supports small grants that are time-critical (Rapid Response Research - RAPID) and small grants that are high-risk and of a potentially transformative nature (EArly-Concept Grants for Exploratory Research - EAGER).

Funded research must be grounded in theory and generalizable. Purely algorithmic management science proposals should be submitted to the Operations Engineering (OE) Program rather than to DRMS.

**Amount:** Varies across disciplinary research programs

**Link:** [https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5423](https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5423)
### NSF—Law & Social Sciences (LSS)

**Deadline:** August 1, 2018  
August 1, Annually Thereafter  
Standard and Collaborative Research and Interdisciplinary Postdoctoral Fellowships  

**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 Litigation and the Legal Profession  

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

**Link:** [https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=504727](https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=504727)

### NSF—Industry-University Cooperative Research Centers Program (IUCRC)

**Deadline:**  
**Preliminary Proposal Due Date (s) (required):** April 18, 2018, Annually Thereafter  
**Full Proposal Target Date (s):** June 20, 2018 (Annually Thereafter)

**Description:** The Industry-University Cooperative Research Centers (IUCRC) Program strives to develop long-term partnerships among industry, academe and government to promote research programs of mutual interest, contribute to the nation’s research infrastructure base, enhance the intellectual capacity of the engineering or science workforce through the integration of research and education, and facilitate technology transfer. The IUCRC program seeks to achieve these goals by:

- Leveraging NSF funds with industry to support graduate students performing industrially relevant pre-competitive research;  
- Expanding the innovation capacity of our nation's competitive workforce through partnerships between industries and universities; and  
- Encouraging the nation's research enterprise to remain competitive through active engagement with academic and industrial leaders throughout the world.

Proposals for IUCRCs addressing any precompetitive research areas identified among the science and technology priorities for the nation are welcome and will be fully considered. To meet national needs, multi-university IUCRCs are preferred to single-university IUCRCs because multi-university Centers contribute to an increased research base as well as to increased interaction among Center participants. The Centers are catalyzed by an investment from NSF with primary support derived from the private and public sector. NSF takes a supporting role in the development and evolution of the IUCRC, providing a framework for membership and operations as well as requirements derived from extensive Center experience and evaluation.

**Amount:** Estimated Number of Awards: 10 (2 to 8 full center awards, 4 to 6 planning grant awards annually).

**Link:** [https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5501](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5501)
NSF- Promoting Interdisciplinary Research and Education (INSPIRE)

Description: The Integrated NSF Support Promoting Interdisciplinary Research and Education (INSPIRE) pilot continues to support bold interdisciplinary projects in all NSF-supported areas of science, engineering, and education research in FY17.

INSPIRE has no targeted themes and serves as a funding mechanism for proposals that are required both to be interdisciplinary and to exhibit potentially transformative research (IDR and PTR, respectively). Complementing existing NSF efforts, INSPIRE was created to handle proposals whose:

- Scientific advances lie outside the scope of a single program or discipline, such that substantial funding support from more than one program or discipline is necessary.
- Lines of research promise transformational advances.
- Prospective discoveries residing at the interfaces of disciplinary boundaries which may not be recognized through traditional review or co-review.

To receive funding for an INSPIRE-appropriate project, all three criteria must be met. INSPIRE is not intended to be used for interdisciplinary projects that can be accommodated within other NSF funding mechanisms or that continue well-established practices.

The implementation of the INSPIRE pilot is based on two overarching goals:

- **Goal 1:** To emphasize to the science, mathematics, engineering and education research community that NSF is welcoming to bold, unconventional ideas incorporating creative interdisciplinary approaches. INSPIRE seeks to attract unusually creative high-risk/high-reward "out of the box" interdisciplinary proposals.
- **Goal 2:** To provide NSF Program Officers (POs) with additional tools and support to engage in cross-cutting collaboration and risk-taking in managing their award portfolios.

INSPIRE supports projects that lie at the intersection of traditional disciplines, and is intended to 1) attract unusually creative high-risk/high-reward interdisciplinary proposals; 2) provide substantial funding, not limited to the exploratory stage of the pursuit of novel ideas (unlike NSF’s EARLY-concept Grants for Exploratory Research, or EAGER); and 3) be open to all NSF-supported areas of science, mathematics, engineering, and education research.

Scope of the INSPIRE Pilot:

- Proposals meeting INSPIRE criteria will be considered for funding on any NSF-supported topic
- Proposals in response to this Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) may be submitted
- Awards will generally support an individual PI or a small team.

An INSPIRE award must be substantively co-funded by at least two intellectually distinct NSF divisions or disciplinary programs.

Amount: A maximum budget of $1 million applies for INSPIRE proposals/awards regardless of the number of sponsoring programs beyond the minimum of two Award durations may be up to five years.

**NSF—Research Coordination Networks (RCN)**

**Deadline:** Submission deadlines vary by program. RCN proposals should be submitted to a particular program according to the program's submission dates; PIs should consult program websites and contact cognizant program officers for guidance.

**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.

**Amount:** Varies across disciplinary research programs and RCN tracks.


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**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)
**National Institutes of Health—Funding Opportunities**

**NIH—Independent Scientist Award (Parent K02)**

**Deadline:** June 12, 2018

**Description:** The NIH Independent Scientist Award (K02) is intended to foster the development of outstanding scientists and enable them to expand their potential to make significant contributions to their field of research. It provides three, four, or five years of salary support and “protected time” for newly independent scientists who can demonstrate the need for a period of intensive research focus as a means of enhancing their research careers.

**Amount:** Award budgets are composed of salary and other program-related expenses.


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**NIH—Cancer Prevention, Control, Behavioral Sciences, and Population Sciences Career Development Award (K07)**

**Deadline:** June 12, 2018

**Description:** The objective of the Cancer Prevention, Control, Behavioral Sciences, and Population Sciences Career Development Award (K07) is to increase the pool of individuals with academic and research expertise in these specific areas of biomedical research. The award provides salary and mentored research support for a sustained period of “protected time” to junior investigators who are interested in developing academic and research expertise in these particular health-related fields. Candidates must have no more than 8 years of research experience after the terminal doctoral degree at the time of the initial or the subsequent resubmission application; clinical training is not included within this 8-year limit. The expectation is that, through this sustained period of research career development and training under the guidance of an experienced mentor in the biomedical, behavioral, or clinical sciences, awardees will launch fully independent research careers and become competitive for new research project grant (e.g., R01) funding.

**Amount:** Award budgets are composed of salary and other program-related expenses. NCI will contribute up to $100,000 per year toward the salary of the career award recipient and $30,000 per year toward the research development costs.


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**NIH—Mentored Research Scientist Development Award (K01)**

**Deadlines:** June 12, 2018

**Description:** The objective of the NIOSH Mentored Research Scientist Development Award (K01) is to provide salary and research support for a sustained period of “protected time” (3-5 years) for intensive research career development under the guidance of an experienced mentor, or sponsor, in the biomedical, behavioral or clinical sciences that leads to research independence. The expectation is that, through this sustained period of research career development and training, awardees will launch independent research careers and become competitive for new research project grant (e.g., R01) funding.

**Amount:** An applicant may request a budget for direct costs of up to $100,000 per year. Facilities and Administrative (F&A) costs requested by consortium participants are not included in the direct cost limitation.

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

NIH—Academic Research Enhancement Award (Parent R15)

**Deadline:** June 25, October 25, February 25

**Description:** The purpose of the Academic Research Enhancement Award (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.

**Amount:** Applicants may request up to $300,000 in direct costs plus applicable Facilities & Administrative for the entire project period of up to 3 years. The maximum project period is 3 years.


NIH—Academic Research Enhancement Award (AREA) for Undergraduate-Focused Institutions (R15)

**Deadlines:** June 25, October 25, February 25

**Description:** The purpose of this Academic Research Enhancement Award (AREA) for Undergraduate-Focused Institutions is to: (1) provide support for meritorious research at undergraduate-focused institutions or institutional components; (2) strengthen the research environment at these institutions/components; and (3) give undergraduate students an opportunity to gain significant biomedical research experience through active involvement in the research. The AREA program will enable qualified scientists to receive support for small-scale research projects. It is anticipated that investigators supported under the AREA program will benefit from the opportunity to conduct independent research; that the grantees will benefit from the research environment strengthened through AREA grants; and that students at recipient institutions will benefit from exposure to and participation in scientific research in the biomedical sciences so that they consider careers in biomedical research. This AREA FOA emphasizes the engagement and inclusion of undergraduates in research. The research project must involve undergraduate students and the research team must be composed primarily of undergraduate students. Student involvement in research may include participation in the design of experiments and controls, collection and analysis of data, execution and troubleshooting of experiments, presentation at meetings, drafting journal articles, collaborative interactions, participation in lab meetings to discuss results and future experiments, etc. The AREA program is a research grant program, not a training or fellowship program, and, as such, applications should not include training plans such as didactic training or non-research activities relating to professional development. Inclusion and support of masters and doctoral candidates in these research projects are allowable, but should be carefully considered. In all cases, the majority of students conducting research through the award must be undergraduates.

**Amount:** Up to $300,000 in direct costs for the entire project period of up to 3 years.

NIH—Science Education Partnership Award (SEPA)(R25)

**Deadlines:** July 9, 2018

**Description:** The over-arching goals of the NIH R25 program are to: (1) complement and/or enhance the training of a workforce to meet the nation’s biomedical, behavioral and clinical research needs; (2) enhance the diversity of the biomedical, behavioral and clinical research workforce; (3) help recruit individuals with specific specialty or disciplinary backgrounds to research careers in biomedical, behavioral and clinical sciences; and (4) foster a better understanding of biomedical, behavioral and clinical research and its implications.

To assure the vitality and continued productivity of the research enterprise, the NIGMS provides leadership in training the next generation of scientists, in enhancing the diversity of the scientific workforce and in developing research capacities throughout the country. The SEPA program supports P-12 and informal science education (ISE) activities that: (1) enhance the diversity of the biomedical, behavioral and clinical research workforce and (2) foster a better understanding of NIH-funded biomedical, behavioral and clinical research and its public health implications. Applications that target P-12 or ISE topics that may not be addressed by existing school, community or ISE-based activities are encouraged. Proposed projects may focus on any area of NIH-funded research.

**Amount:** Direct costs are limited to $250,000 annually over a 5-year project period.


NIH—Health Services Research on Minority Health and Health Disparities (R21)

**Deadline:** April 11, 2018

**Description:** Research encouraged under this FOA includes examination of health care services in health care systems such as private and public health insurance plans; physician groups; hospitals, nursing homes and assisted living facilities; academic medical centers; integrated delivery systems; and criminal justice settings. Projects may address health services pertaining to the treatment of particular health conditions, multiple health conditions, specific segments of the population, or more general indicators (e.g., access to primary care services, etc.) that may not be condition-specific. Projects may include observational/descriptive, simulation, or interventional studies and may involve primary data collection and/or secondary analysis of existing datasets. It is expected that all projects will involve the use of relevant health system-level data in some way. Projects that also use patient-reported data are encouraged, but projects that rely exclusively on patient-reported data are not a programmatic priority for funding under this FOA. Projects should include a focus on one or more NIH-designated health disparities populations, which include Blacks/African Americans, Hispanics/Latinos, American Indians/Alaska Natives, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders, socioeconomically disadvantaged populations, and underserved rural populations.

**Amount:** 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.

NEH—Awards for Faculty at Hispanic-Serving Institutions

**Deadline:** April 11, 2018

**Description:** This program supports individual faculty or staff members at Hispanic-Serving Institutions pursuing research of value to humanities scholars, students, or general audiences. Awards are designed to be flexible, allowing applicants to define the audience, type of research, award periods, and administrative arrangements that best fit their projects.

Awards can be used for a wide range of projects that are based on humanities research. Eligible projects include pursuing research in primary and secondary materials and producing articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly resources; conducting basic research leading to the improvement of an existing undergraduate course; or conducting basic research related to the goals and interests of the institution or community.

Common to all applications—regardless of their outcome—must be humanities research supporting the goals of the project.

**Amount:** This program supports individuals who work between half time and full time on their projects. Awardees may combine part- and full-time work. The amount of the award is $4,200 per full-time month. Thus an award to support eight months of half-time work would be $16,800 (equivalent to four months of full-time work at $4,200 per month)

**Links:** [https://www.neh.gov/grants/research/awards-faculty-hispanic-serving-institutions](https://www.neh.gov/grants/research/awards-faculty-hispanic-serving-institutions)

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NEH—Fellowships

**Deadline:** April 11, 2018

**Description:** Fellowships support 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 in the humanities. Applicants interested in research projects that require mainly digital expression and digital publication are encouraged to apply instead for NEH-Mellon Fellowships for Digital Publication.

*NEH encourages submission of Fellowships applications from independent scholars and faculty at Hispanic-Serving Institutions, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and Tribal Colleges and Universities.*

**Amount:** Fellowships cover periods lasting from six to twelve months at a stipend of $4,200 per month. The maximum stipend is $50,400 for a twelve-month period. Applicants should request award periods that suit their schedules and the needs of their projects. Requesting an award period shorter than twelve months will not improve an applicant’s chances of receiving a fellowship.

**Links:** [https://www.neh.gov/grants/research/fellowships](https://www.neh.gov/grants/research/fellowships)
Current Funding Opportunities from the Dept. of Defense

**Department of Defense—Army Research Institute for the Behavioral and Social Sciences Broad Agency Announcement for Basic Scientific Research (2018)**

**Deadline:** June 15, 2018  
**Description:** Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) W911NF-18-S-0001 for the Foundational Science Research Unit of the U.S. Army Research Institute for the Behavioral and Social Sciences (ARI) solicits new proposals for its fiscal year 2018 program of basic research in behavioral science. The U.S. Army Research Institute for the Behavioral and Social Sciences is the Army lead agency for the conduct of research, development, and analyses for the improvement of Army readiness and performance via research advances and applications of the behavioral and social sciences that address personnel, organization, training, and leader development issues. The basic research program supports research projects that are designed to expand fundamental knowledge and discover general principles in behavioral and social sciences.

A key consideration in the decision to support a research proposal is that its findings are likely to stimulate new, basic behavioral research which, in turn, will lead to improved performance of Army personnel and their units. Proposals may address both traditional behavioral issues as well as psychophysiological (to include neuroscience) and network science approaches to social phenomena, memory, cognition, and personality. ARI will not support proposals through this BAA that are primarily applied research projects (e.g., human factors studies or training program evaluations) or purely focused on physiology, psychopathology, or behavioral health.

Interested offerors are encouraged to submit white papers prior to submitting proposals.  

Current Funding Opportunities from Various Sponsors

**Alfred P. Sloan Foundation—Major Program Areas Grants**

**Deadline:** Letters of inquiry are accepted at anytime.  
**Description:** The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation makes grants in nine broad subject matters, known within the Foundation as major program areas. (1) **Sloan Research Fellowships** - Annual awards to 126 of the most promising early-career scholars in eight scientific and technical fields. (2) **STEM Research** - Grants to support original, high-quality research in the natural sciences, engineering, and mathematics. (3) **STEM Higher Education** - Grants to improve the quality and diversity of higher education in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. (4) **Public Understanding of Science, Technology, & Economics** - Grants to expand the public understanding of science and technology through the use of books, radio, film, television, theater, and new media. (5) **Digital Information Technology** - Grants to advance the creation, dissemination, and democratization of access to knowledge through the use of new developments in digital information technology. (6) **Economics** - Grants to support original, high quality research and programs to enhance U.S. economic performance and the quality of American life. (7) **Energy and Environment** - Grants to advance our understanding of the economic, environmental, security, and policy trade-offs associated with the increased deployment of low- and no-carbon resources and technologies and the resulting impacts on the quality of American life. (8) **Select Issues** - Grants that support unique opportunities or projects that advance a significant interest related to the Foundation's mission but not directly covered by other Foundation grant making programs. (9) **Civic Initiatives** - Grants for projects that benefit the New York City metropolitan area in ways consonant with the Foundation’s mission.  
**Amount:** Award sizes vary by program area.  
**Link:** [http://www.sloan.org/major-program-areas/](http://www.sloan.org/major-program-areas/)
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; 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)

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Public Welfare Foundation—Social Justice Programs

**Deadline:** Letters of intent are accepted throughout the year.

**Description:** The Public Welfare Foundation supports efforts to advance justice and opportunity for people in need. The Foundation looks for strategic points where its funds can make a significant difference and improve lives through policy change and system reform. The fund focuses on three program areas: Criminal Justice, Juvenile Justice and Workers’ Rights.

**Amount:** Awards vary by project needs.

**Link:** [http://www.publicwelfare.org/grants-process/program-guidelines/](http://www.publicwelfare.org/grants-process/program-guidelines/)

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Oak Foundation – Grants

**Deadline:** Letters of inquiry are accepted at anytime.

**Description:** We fund a variety of time-bound projects, core costs, technical assistance and collaborative activities. Each program has its own funding criteria, geographic scope and requirements.

While each program has its own areas of focus, as a whole, we adhere to seven funding principles. These include funding initiatives that:

- target root causes of problems
- are replicable either within a sector or across geographical locations
- include plans for long-term sustainability
- strive to collaborate with like-minded organizations
- demonstrate good financial and organizational management
- value the participation of people (including children) and communities and
- have secured co-funding.

**Amount:** $ 25,000

**Link:** [http://oakfnd.org/content/8237](http://oakfnd.org/content/8237)
The Spencer Foundation—Small Research Grants

**Deadlines:** May 1, August 1

**Description:** The Small Research Grants program is intended to support education research projects with budgets of $50,000 or less. In keeping with the Spencer Foundation’s mission, this program aims to fund academic work that will contribute to the improvement of education, broadly conceived. Historically, the work we have funded through these grants has spanned a range of topics and disciplines, including education, psychology, sociology, economics, history, and anthropology, and they employ a wide range of research methods. The following examples of recently funded small grants illustrate the diversity of what they support:

- an experimental study of how college students use visual representations in solving math problems
- a study exploring the process of racial and rural identity formation among African American high-school students who attend de facto segregated schools in the rural South
- a mixed-methods study focusing on the different types of knowledge novice and experienced teachers draw on in teaching for reading comprehension.

**Amount:** Up to $50,000.

**Link:** [http://www.spencer.org/small-research-grants](http://www.spencer.org/small-research-grants)

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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 multi-disciplinary 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/)
**Current Funding Opportunities from Various Sponsors-(Cont’d)**

**Russell Sage Foundation—Race, Ethnicity & Immigration / Behavioral Economics**

**Deadlines:** May 24 (letters of intent)

**Description: Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration:** The Foundation’s newest program on Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration, replaces two previous programs: Immigration and Cultural Contact. The new program encourages multidisciplinary perspectives on questions stemming from the significant changes in the racial, ethnic, and immigrant-origin composition of the U.S. population. **Behavioral Economics:** The foundation’s Behavioral Economics program supports research that will broaden our understanding of the social, economic and political consequences of real-life behaviors and decisions that deviate from the neoclassical economic standards of rationality. RSF is especially interested in behavioral economics research that contributes to our understanding of topics of interest under its other programs.

**Amount:** Up to $150,000 over two years.

**Link:** [http://www.russellsage.org/research/categories/requests-proposals](http://www.russellsage.org/research/categories/requests-proposals)

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**CUNY Internal Funding Opportunities**

**William Stewart Travel Awards for Assistant Professors**

**Deadline:** Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

**Description/Amount:** The William Stewart Travel Awards provide grants of up to $500 to full-time assistant professors who first took up the position of CUNY assistant professor after July 2013. The award is for presenting, chairing or moderating at a scholarly conference from July 1, 2016 to June 1, 2017.

Professor Stewart, a groundbreaking linguist who was on the faculty of the Graduate Center for more than 25 years, passed away in 2002, the year the Stewart Awards were initiated. Previous award recipients who are otherwise eligible may apply but may get a lower award priority. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis and early applications get special consideration.

**Applications must be sent via email and email attachments to stewarttravelaward@gmail.com.**

The application form can be downloaded at [http://cunyufs.org/academy/WilliamStewartTravelAwards.pdf](http://cunyufs.org/academy/WilliamStewartTravelAwards.pdf)

Members of the Academy, excluding the Executive Director, serve as the Awards Committee.

**Links:** [http://cunyufs.org/academy/award.html](http://cunyufs.org/academy/award.html)

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**CUNY Academy Adjunct Faculty Travel Awards for National & International Conferences**

**Deadline:** Before April 15, 2018, Submit your application to cunyadjunct@gmail.com.

**Description/Amount:** This award is for part-time faculty at any branch of CUNY. Conference travel must take place between July 1, 2017 and May 1, 2018. We are unable to cover travel that takes place after May 1, 2018. Other ranks are not eligible.

Students who teach in CUNY as adjuncts are eligible for this program. Retired faculty who hold adjunct appointments are also eligible.

People who hold any full-time appointment in CUNY, including those who hold a phased-retirement appointment, are not eligible, even if they hold additional part-time positions.

Full-time faculty who also teach as adjuncts are not eligible for this program. They may be eligible to apply for our other travel programs.

**Link:** [http://cunyufs.org/academy/AdjunctApplication2017-8.pdf](http://cunyufs.org/academy/AdjunctApplication2017-8.pdf)
Office of the Advancement of Research’s (OAR) Internal Funding Opportunities

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 Feb 15th and March 30th). 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 listed below:

For more information on Internal Funding, please visit us at: http://www.jjay.cuny.edu/internal-funding-opportunities

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 year (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 justifiy 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 five 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.
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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 of the Month: GrantForward & Pivot

GrantForward allows you to search for opportunities and save them in a personal account or profile. New users must use their John Jay email address to register for a free institutional account. By registering for an account, you can save your grant searches and create alerts for new funding opportunities. Once you create your profile, GrantForward will suggest funding sources that match your areas of research. You can manually enter your research areas into your profile or you can upload a CV or list a webpage containing your publications and GrantForward will automatically generate a list of recommended funding opportunities. As an added social media-type feature, you can conduct a profile search to find other researchers registered with GrantForward who share similar research interests. [https://www.grantforward.com/index](https://www.grantforward.com/index)

Pivot is a comprehensive source of global funding opportunities. Users must set up individual accounts using their CUNY email. Pivot™ answers the growing demands on research developers to quickly discover the right funding opportunities and effectively collaborate with their colleagues. With Pivot, ProQuest continues their commitment to empower researchers around the world with tools that they need at various stages of their research lifecycle. Pivot is intuitive and easy to use. It is designed for a researcher – anyone from corporate to academia (faculty, staff researchers, and graduate students) can benefit from using it. [https://pivot.cos.com/session/login](https://pivot.cos.com/session/login)