Selected Requests for Proposals (RFPs)  
Remember to submit a Grants Notification form before contacting any granting agency.

NEW  Science and Innovation Policy  
National Science Foundation - Science of Science and Innovation Policy (SciSIP)  
Deadline: September 9, 2012, and September 9 annually thereafter  
Award: $40,000 to $100,000+

The Science of Science & Innovation Policy (SciSIP) program supports research designed to advance the scientific basis of science and innovation policy.

Research funded by the program thus develops, improves and expands models, analytical tools, data and metrics that can be applied in the science policy decision making process. For example, research proposals may develop behavioral and analytical conceptualizations, frameworks or models that have applications across a broad array of SciSIP challenges, including the relationship between broader participation and innovation or creativity. Proposals may also develop methodologies to analyze science and technology data, and to convey the information to a variety of audiences.

Researchers are also encouraged to create or improve science and engineering data, metrics and indicators reflecting current discovery, particularly proposals that demonstrate the viability of collecting and analyzing data on knowledge generation and innovation in organizations. Among the many research topics supported are:

- examinations of the ways in which the contexts, structures and processes of science and engineering research are affected by policy decision,
- the evaluation of the tangible and intangible returns from investments in science and from investments in research and development,
- the study of structures and processes that facilitate the development of usable knowledge, theories of creative processes and their transformation into social and economic outcomes,
- the collection, analysis and visualization of new data describing the scientific and engineering enterprise.

The SciSIP program invites the participation of researchers from all of the social, behavioral and economic sciences as well as those working in domain-specific applications such as chemistry, biology, physics, or nanotechnology. The program welcomes proposals for individual or multi-investigator research projects, doctoral dissertation improvement awards, conferences, workshops, 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 as well as international collaboration.

Investigators are encouraged to submit proposals of joint interest to the SciSIP 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 supports small grants that are time-critical and small grants that are high-risk and of a potentially transformative nature (see Grants for Rapid Response Research (RAPID) and EARly-concept Grants for Exploratory Research (EAGER).)

Visit the SciSIP Program website for details.
Selected RFPs (continued)

**NEW Social Sciences**

**National Science Foundation (NSF) Division of Social and Economic Sciences**

**Political Science**

**Deadline:**
- August 15, 2012, and annually thereafter
- January 15, 2013, and annually thereafter

**Award:** $10,000 to $800,000+

The Political Science Program supports scientific research that advances knowledge and understanding of citizenship, government, and politics. Research proposals are expected to be theoretically motivated, conceptually precise, methodologically rigorous, and empirically oriented. Substantive areas include, but are not limited to, American government and politics, comparative government and politics, international relations, political behavior, political economy, and political institutions.

In recent years, program awards have supported research projects on bargaining processes; campaigns and elections, electoral choice, and electoral systems; citizen support in emerging and established democracies; democratization, political change, and regime transitions; domestic and international conflict; international political economy; party activism; political psychology and political tolerance. The Program also has supported research experiences for undergraduate students and infrastructural activities, including methodological innovations, in the discipline.

Besides information on the Political Science Program, we invite you to also look at the SBE Office of Multidisciplinary Activities (SMA) web site.

See the NSF SBE webpage for program announcement.

**Internal Opportunities**

**University Enrichment Committee (UEC)**

The UEC provides funds to support faculty for research, sabbaticals, course development, travel and conference participation. Look here every month for upcoming deadlines and reporting reminders for active grants.

**All 2013–2014 leaves have one date for application:**

**October 12** for Sabbatical leave, Pre-tenure sabbatical leave, Lantz Senior Fellowship and Lantz Enhancement, and unpaid leave applications for the 2013–2014 year.

Application forms are located in University Resources for Faculty Professional Development. Forms and information are also available for:

- Conference Participation
- Conference Participation: Pedagogy
- Enrichment
- Martin Nelson Summer Research
- Burlington Northern Curriculum Development
- Course and Seminar
- Trimble Asian Studies Award
- Cultural Currency
- Release Time
- Faculty Research
- Grant-Assisted Leave
- Presidential Discretionary Hewlett Fund

If you have questions regarding University Enrichment Committee grants, please contact:

Sunil Kukreja, Associate Dean (Fall)
879-3588

Sarah Moore, Associate Dean (Spring)
879-3207

Lisa Hutchinson, Academic Support Specialist
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When applying to a Federal funding agency, remember to register with Grants.gov first. The Applicant Resources page offers 24 hour assistance, including info on the top 10 requested help topics, a searchable knowledge base (400 answers to common issues), self-service help ticket generation, one-on-one help via web chat (available 7:00 AM – 9:00 PM ET) as well as alerts and important updates.
These search engines are a good place to start a discipline-specific funding search

- **Ned.com** - An online co-working space for early stage social entrepreneurs and collaborative social ventures. See list of social entrepreneur, social enterprise and social innovation funding sources.

- **Michigan State University Libraries** - Posted grant opportunities and grant-related resources organized by discipline. Also general information on proposal writing and grant research.

- **National Endowment for the Arts (NEA):** NEA supports nine disciplines in the arts and arts education, including literature, poetry, preservation, access, and translation.

- **Grants.gov:** The primary source to find and apply for federal grants.

- **The National Academies:** Sciences, Engineering, Medicine and Research. Links to associateship and fellowship opportunities, especially for young scientists.

- **US Department of Education (ED):** Search the Forecast of Funding Opportunities for upcoming RFPs.

- **Decade of Behavior (FundSource)** - For research in behavioral and social sciences

- **Duke University Funding Opportunities** - For all disciplines, with advanced search options

- **The Illinois Researcher Information Service (IRIS)** is a unit of the University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign.

- **The Grant Advisor** - A leading source of information on grant, research, and fellowship opportunities in the United States.

- **National Institutes of Health Extramural Nexus** - Subscribe to this monthly newsletter for updates to NIH policies and activities.

**Selected RFPs (continued)**

**NEW  Health Policy, Social and Behavioral Sciences**

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation – Health Policy Fellowships**

**Deadline:** mid-November 2012; call for applications opens mid-September 2012

**Award:** $94,000 stipend for one year; additional support for development activities following the residency

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellows program provides the nation’s most comprehensive experience at the nexus of health science, policy, and politics in Washington, DC. The fellowship is an outstanding opportunity for exceptional mid-career health professionals and behavioral and social scientists with an interest in health and health care policy. Fellows experience and participate in the policy process at the federal level and use that leadership experience to improve health, health care, and health policy.

Applicants may have backgrounds in the following disciplines: allied health professions; biomedical sciences; dentistry; economics or other social sciences; health services organization and administration; medicine; nursing; public health; or social and behavioral health. Applicants must be citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. or its territories at the time of application.

The fellowship is a residential experience in Washington, DC, with additional support for continued health policy leadership development activities. Each fellow will receive up to $94,000 for the Washington stay in salary plus fringe benefits or fellowship stipend. Continued pre-approved leadership development activities may be conducted with remaining funds within the 20 to 24 months following the Washington year. Total support for the fellowship including fringe benefits may not exceed $165,000. Fellows will receive an additional allowance for relocation subject to limitations provided in detail on the program’s Web site.

Visit the RWJF website for application guidelines.

**Important information for grant seekers**

Puget Sound faculty intending to submit a proposal for funding to an outside agency must complete and submit [this form](#) to ensure internal review by offices responsible for grant review and administration. Please allow 10 business days for review and approval.

Completion of the notification form helps Puget Sound grants administrators facilitate a relationship between the proposed funding agency and faculty applicants, and also avoid potential conflicts of interest between applicant goals and university funding goals.

Please direct questions to Associate Dean [Martin Jackson](mailto:Martin.Jackson@pugetsound.edu), or Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations [Jane Kenyon](mailto:Jane.Kenyon@pugetsound.edu).

For assistance with grant budget proposals, contact Senior Accountant [Stefanie Lund](mailto:Stefanie.Lund@pugetsound.edu).

**Be sure to visit the Grant Resources webpage.** The site provides resources to assist faculty in procur-
NEW    Sciences—all disciplines
National Institutes of Health (NIH) Small Research Grant Program (Parent R03)
Expiration date: September 8, 2014
Award: Up to $50,000 for a period of two years

The NIH R03 grant mechanism supports discrete, well-defined projects that realistically can be completed in two years and that require limited levels of funding. Examples of the types of projects that ICs support with the R03 mechanism include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Pilot or feasibility studies
- Secondary analysis of existing data
- Small, self-contained research projects
- Development of research methodology
- Development of new research technology

Because the research plan is restricted to 6 pages, an R03 grant application will not have the same level of detail or extensive discussion found in an R01 application. Accordingly, reviewers should evaluate the conceptual framework and general approach to the problem, placing less emphasis on methodological details and certain indicators traditionally used in evaluating the scientific merit of R01 applications including supportive preliminary data.

Appropriate justification for the proposed work can be provided through literature citations, data from other sources, or from investigator-generated data. Preliminary data are not required but may be included if available, particularly in applications proposing pilot or feasibility studies. You 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.

The R03 cannot be renewed. One resubmission (A1) is allowed; an introduction is required and is limited to one page.

See the NIH R03 program website for program details and a list of recently funded grants.

NEW    All disciplines
John Simon Guggenheim Fellowships
Deadline: September 15, 2012, for fellowships beginning in April 2013
Award: Amounts vary; fellowships are from six to twelve months

Often characterized as "midcareer" awards, Guggenheim Fellowships are intended for men and women who have already demonstrated exceptional capacity for productive scholarship or exceptional creative ability in the arts. The Foundation understands advanced professionals to be those who as writers, scholars, or scientists have a significant record of publication, or as artists, playwrights, filmmakers, photographers, composers, or the like, have a significant record of exhibition or performance of their work.

Grants are awarded to selected individuals for a minimum of six months and a maximum of twelve months. Since the purpose of the Guggenheim Fellowship program is to help provide Fellows with blocks of time in which they can work with as much creative freedom as possible, grants are made freely. No special conditions attach to them, and Fellows may spend their grant funds in any manner they deem necessary to their work. The United States Internal Revenue Service, however, does require the Foundation to ask for reports from its Fellows at the end of their Fellowship terms.

The Foundation understands the performing arts to be those in which an individual interprets work created by others. Accordingly, the Foundation will provide Fellowships to composers but not conductors, singers, or instrumentalists; choreographers but not dancers; filmmakers, playwrights, and performance artists who create their own work but not actors or theater directors.

The Foundation receives between 3,500 and 4,000 applications each year. Although no one who applies is guaranteed success in the competition, there is no prescreening: all applications are reviewed. Approximately 220 Fellowships are awarded each year. During the rigorous selection process, applicants will first be pooled with others working in the same field, and examined by experts in that field: the work of artists will be reviewed by artists, that of scientists by scientists, that of historians by historians, and so on. The Foundation has a network of several hundred advisers, who either meet at the Foundation offices to look at applicants' work, or receive application materials to read offsite. These advisers, all of whom are themselves former Guggenheim Fellows, then submit reports critiquing and ranking the applications in their respective fields. Their recommendations are then forwarded to and weighed by a Committee of Selection, which then determines the number of awards to be made in each area. Occasionally, no application in a given area is considered strong enough to merit a Fellowship.

Visit the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation website for information and bios of past and present fellows.