Puget Sound Faculty Grants Update

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Approaching deadlines for UEC grants

Sabbatical applications due October 12

Consideration for a 2012-2013 sabbatical is possible only if you apply by October 12.

Pre-tenure sabbatical leave applications are due October 12.

Link to application forms and information here.

Begin your search here

The Grant Advisor is a great place to begin a discipline-specific funding search.

See page 3 for more search engines to help you locate agencies that are ready to support your work.

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

NEW Humanities and Social Sciences
Charles A. Ryskamp Research Fellowships
Deadline: September 28, 2011
Award: $64,000 for one academic year

ACLS invites applications for the Charles A. Ryskamp Research Fellowships, generously funded by The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation in memory of Charles A. Ryskamp, literary scholar, distinguished library and museum director, and long-serving trustee of the Foundation. These fellowships support advanced assistant professors and untenured associate professors in the humanities and related social sciences whose scholarly contributions have advanced their fields and who have well-designed and carefully developed plans for new research. The fellowships are intended to provide time and resources to enable these faculty members to conduct their research under optimal conditions. The ultimate goal of the project should be a major piece of scholarly work by the applicant. ACLS does not fund creative work (e.g., novels or films), textbooks, straightforward translation, or pedagogical projects.

Ryskamp Fellowships are intended to support an academic year of research (nine months), plus an additional summer's research (two months) if justified. Fellows have three years from July 1, 2012 to use the funds awarded them, and considerable flexibility in structuring their research time: the nine-month period may be taken as one continuous leave, or divided into two single-semester leaves; the two months of summer research may be taken before, after, or between the semesters of the year's leave. Fellows are encouraged to spend substantial periods of their leaves in residential interdisciplinary centers, research libraries, or other scholarly archives in the United States or abroad.

Each fellowship carries a stipend of $64,000, a fund of $2,500 for research and travel, and an additional 2/9 of the stipend ($14,222) for one summer's support, if justified by a persuasive case.

Non-ACLS fellowships, grants, or sabbatical salary may be held concurrently with a Ryskamp fellowship, up to but not exceeding a normal academic year salary or the Ryskamp award, whichever is higher.

The Ryskamp Fellowship Program is open to

- tenure-track assistant professors and untenured associate professors who by September 28, 2011 will have successfully completed their institution's last reappointment review before tenure review, and
- those whose tenure review will not be complete before March 1, 2012.

Application guidelines available here.

Burroughs Wellcome Fund Collaborative Research Travel Grants
Deadline: December 1, 2011
Award: $15,000

This program provides up to $15,000 in support for researchers from degree-granting institutions to travel either domestically or internationally to a laboratory to acquire a new research technique, to facilitate a collaboration, or to attend a laboratory/lecture course. Applicants must hold a Ph.D. or currently studying in a Ph.D. program in mathematics, physics, chemistry, computer science, statistics, or engineering interested in investigating research opportunities in the biological sciences. Biologists interested in working with physical scientists, mathematicians, engineers, chemists, statisticians, or computer scientists to incorporate their ideas and approaches to answering biological questions are eligible. Selection is made on the basis of the proposal's scientific quality of the proposed activities and the career development potential of the visit.

Visit the Burroughs Wellcome Fund website to apply.
Applause
For Lynnette Claire, who was funded by the Herbert B. Jones Foundation to pilot the Tacoma Entrepreneur Network: College Edition. The goal of the network is to create a virtual and real network of business, community, and academic connections in which students from four institutions of higher education in Tacoma can communicate ideas and share knowledge that can ultimately be developed into successful entrepreneurial ventures in our region.

The Charles R. Conner Museum at Washington State University, the Slater Museum of Natural History at the University of Puget Sound, and a state-wide charter school system that assists home-school teachers in the Northwest are collaborating to develop new strategies to educate and inform the public about evolution. Amy Ryken and Peter Wimberger are co PIs on the project, which will develop interactive exhibits describing contemporary evolution stories and a curriculum for home-school teachers.

Best of Luck
To the HHMI team, who are making steady progress on a proposal to the Howard Hughes Medical Institute to fund the integration of sustainability into the Science and Math curriculum at Puget Sound.

NEW Humanities
National Humanities Center Fellowships
Deadline: October 15, 2011
Award: Stipends vary according to need

The National Humanities Center offers 40 residential fellowships for advanced study in the humanities during the academic year, September 2012 through May 2013. Applicants must hold doctorate or equivalent scholarly credentials. Young scholars as well as senior scholars are encouraged to apply, but they must have a record of publication, and new Ph.D.s should be aware that the Center does not normally support the revision of a doctoral dissertation. In addition to scholars from all fields of the humanities, the Center accepts individuals from the natural and social sciences, the arts, the professions, and public life who are engaged in humanistic projects. The Center is also international and gladly accepts applications from scholars outside the United States.

Fellowships are individually determined, according to the needs of the Fellow and the Center's ability to meet them. The Center seeks to provide at least half salary and also covers travel expenses to and from North Carolina for Fellows and dependents.

Located in the Research Triangle Park of North Carolina, near Chapel Hill, Durham, and Raleigh, the Center provides an environment for individual research and the exchange of ideas. Its building includes private studies for Fellows, conference rooms, a central commons for dining, lounges, reading areas, a reference library, and a Fellows' workroom. The Center's noted library service delivers books and research materials to Fellows, and support for information technology and editorial assistance are also provided. The Center locates housing for Fellows in the neighboring communities.

Application guidelines available here.

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.

Leaves of all kind have one date for application: October 12
For Sabbatical Leave, Pre-tenure Sabbatical Leave, Lantz Fellowship, Lantz Enhancement, fellowships or unpaid leave for the 2012-2012 year.

Martin Nelson Award for Summer Research applications due November 1.
Application forms are located in University Resources for Faculty Professional Development. Forms and information are also available for:

- Conference Participation
- Cultural Currency
- Departmental Travel
- Conference Participation: Pedagogy
- Enrichment
- Faculty Research
- Course and Seminar
- Release Time
- Trimble Asian Studies
- Grant-Assisted Leave

Conference Participation applications for 2011-2012 are accepted on a rolling basis through May 15. Full opportunity for first trip funding is extended to all faculty members through May 15; second trips are awarded contingent on availability of UEC funds after May 15.

If you have questions regarding University Enrichment Committee grants, please contact:
Sarah Moore, Associate Dean
879-3207
Lisa Hutchinson, Academic Support Specialist
879-3429
These search engines are a good place to start a discipline-specific funding search

- **Michigan State University Libraries**: Posted grant opportunities and grant-related resources organized by discipline. Also general information on proposal writing and grant research.
- **Community of Science**: A comprehensive resource for information critical to scientific research, with information on funding opportunities, and COS Scholar Universe, a searchable database of published scholars across many disciplines.
- **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
- **The Grant Advisor**: A leading source of information on grant, research, and fellowship opportunities in the United States.

**More RFPs**

**CONTINUING Sciences**

**National Geographic Society - Scientific Field Research**

**Deadline**: Open  
**Award**: $15,000 to $20,000

The National Geographic Society awards grants for scientific field research and exploration through its Committee for Research and Exploration. All proposed projects must have both a geographical dimension and relevance to other scientific fields and be of broad scientific interest.

Applications are generally limited to the following disciplines: anthropology, archaeology, astronomy, biology, botany, geography, geology, oceanography, paleontology, and zoology. In addition the committee is emphasizing multidisciplinary projects that address environmental issues (e.g., loss of biodiversity and habitat, effects of human-population pressures).

Researchers planning work in foreign countries should include at least one local collaborator as part of their research teams. The committee will not consider applications seeking support solely for laboratory work or archival research. This grant program does not pay educational tuition, nor does it offer scholarships or fellowships of any kind. As a general rule, all applicants are expected to have published a minimum of three articles in peer-reviewed scientific journals.

While grant amounts vary greatly, most range from $15,000 to $20,000. There is no set quantity of grants awarded, but budget constraints keep the number to approximately 250 per year.

See the National Geographic Society website for complete guidelines and application procedures.

**On Campus**

**Faculty Grants Workshop**

September 21, 2011 @ 12:00pm  
Wheelock Student Center, Murray Boardroom

The Associate Dean’s Office and Corporate & Foundation Relations are co-hosting a grants workshop for all faculty. Please join us on Wednesday, September 21, noon-1pm in the Murray Boardroom. Lunch will be available beginning at 11:30. We’ll help you navigate funding resources at Puget Sound while you network with colleagues about your funding search.

RSVP required to Deanna Kass at dkass@pugetsound.edu by September 14.

**Grants Notification Form**

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 Alyce DeMarais, or Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations Jane Kenyon.

For assistance with grant budget proposals, contact Senior Accountant Stefanie Lund.

Be sure to visit the Grant Resources webpage. The site provides resources to assist faculty in procuring funds to support research, programs, projects and initiatives to achieve the university’s mission.
NEW Visual Arts
The Center for Advanced Study in the Visual Arts Fellowships
Deadline: October 15, 2011
Award: One half of applicant’s salary, up to $50,000 for one academic year

The Center for Advanced Study in the Visual Arts announces its program for senior fellowships. Fellowships are for full-time research, and scholars are expected to reside in Washington and to participate in the activities of the Center throughout the fellowship period. Lectures, colloquia, and informal discussions complement the fellowship program. Each senior fellow is provided with a study. In addition, senior fellows who relocate to Washington are provided with housing in apartments near the Gallery, subject to availability. Senior fellows have access to the notable resources represented by the collections, the library, and the photographic archives of the National Gallery of Art, as well as to the Library of Congress and other specialized research libraries and collections in the Washington area.

The Paul Mellon and Ailsa Mellon Bruce Senior Fellowships are intended to support research in the history, theory, and criticism of the visual arts (painting, sculpture, architecture, landscape architecture, urbanism, prints and drawings, film, photography, decorative arts, industrial design, and other arts) of any geographical area and of any period. The Samuel H. Kress Senior Fellowships are intended to support research on European art before the early nineteenth century. The William C. Seitz Senior Fellowship is primarily intended to support research on modern and contemporary art. Senior fellowship applications are also solicited from scholars in other disciplines whose work examines artifacts or has implications for the analysis and criticism of form.

Senior fellowships are intended for those who have held the PhD for five years or more at the time of application, or who possess an equivalent record of professional accomplishment.

A senior fellowship award for the academic year is normally limited to one-half of the applicant’s salary, up to a maximum of $50,000, depending on individual circumstances. Awards for a single academic term are pro-rated. Senior fellows also receive allowances for photography and for travel to a professional meeting.

Application guidelines available here.

NEW Education
The American Educational Research Association - Research Grants
Deadline: December 9, 2011 to be reviewed in February
Award: Up to $20,000 for 1 year projects, $35,000 for 2 year projects

The AERA Grants Program seeks to stimulate research on U.S. education issues using data from the large-scale, national and international data sets supported by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), NSF, and other federal agencies, and to increase the number of education researchers using these data sets. The program supports research projects that are quantitative in nature, include the analysis of existing data from NCES, NSF or other federal agencies, and have U.S. education policy relevance.

Research Grants are available for faculty at institutions of higher education, postdoctoral researchers, and other doctoral-level scholars. Applications are encouraged from a variety of disciplines, such as but not limited to, education, sociology, economics, psychology, demography, statistics, and psychometrics.

The Governing Board for the AERA Grants Program has established the following four strands of emphasis for proposals. Applicants are encouraged to submit proposals that:

- develop or benefit from new quantitative measures or methodological approaches for addressing education issues
- include interdisciplinary teams with subject matter expertise, especially when studying science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) learning
- analyze TIMSS, PISA, or other international data resources
- include the integration and analysis of more than one data set

Research projects related to at least one of the strands above and to science and/or mathematics education are especially encouraged. Other topics of interest include policies and practices related to student achievement in STEM, contextual factors in education, educational participation and persistence (kindergarten through graduate school), early childhood education, and postsecondary education. The research project must include the analysis of data from at least one of the large-scale, nationally or internationally representative data sets supported by NCES, NSF, or other federal agency, such as the U.S. Department of Labor, the U.S. Census Bureau, and the National Institutes of Health. Additional data sets may be used in conjunction with the obligatory federal data set. If international data sets are used, the study must include U.S. education.

Application guidelines available here.