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OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND SPONSORED PROGRAMS

This issue highlights some Fall grant opportunities that were announced over the summer months. We include them in case you missed them.

Announcements:

Federal granting agencies are moving quickly toward using the Grants.gov electronic submission system as the only method for application to their programs. While individual investigators do not have to register in order to use Grants.gov, they should familiarize themselves with this new system and allow plenty of lead time for ORSP to coordinate submission. Faculty will first download a grant application package and have the ability to view and work offline, before routing to ORSP for review and submission. Please call us for details and assistance.

SELECT UPCOMING GRANT COMPETITION DEADLINES

During the summer months ORSP widely announced a number of grant opportunities with deadlines in the Fall. We realize that due to the time they went out the emails may have been overlooked or missed entirely so this issue will highlight upcoming grant opportunities.

- *Woodrow Wilson Center Fellowships: Deadline October 2, 2006*

The Center awards approximately 20-25 residential fellowships annually to individuals with outstanding project proposals in a broad range of the social sciences and humanities on national and/or international issues. Topics and scholarship should relate to key public policy challenges or provide the historical and/or cultural framework to illumine policy issues of contemporary importance. For additional information, visit http://www.wilsoncenter.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=fellowships.welcome.

- *Andrew W. Mellon Foundation/ACLS Early Career Fellowships: Dissertation Completion Fellowships: Deadline November 15, 2006*

The Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships are to assist graduate students in the humanities and related social sciences in the last year of Ph.D. dissertation writing. This program aims to encourage timely completion of the Ph.D. Applicants must be prepared to complete their dissertations within the period of their fellowship tenure or shortly thereafter. ACLS will award 65 Fellowships in this competition for a one-year term beginning between June and September 2007 for the 2007-2008 academic year. For additional information visit http://www.acls.org/ecfguide.htm.

- *National Endowment of the Humanities (NEH) Collaborative Research Grants: Deadline November 1, 2006*

Collaborative Research Grants support: original research undertaken by a team of two or more scholars; or research coordinated by an individual scholar that, because of its scope or complexity, requires additional staff and resources beyond the individual's salary. Support is available for various combinations of scholars, consultants, and research assistants; project-related travel; field work; applications of information technology; and technical support and services. All grantees are expected to communicate the results of their work to the appropriate scholarly and public audiences. New guidelines for this program are available at http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/collaborative.html.

ORSP welcomes everyone back to Campus. ORSP has developed a series of workshops for the Fall and Spring Semesters. Our workshop offerings include:

⇒ *New Faculty Workshops: February 22 (Arts & Humanities) March 6 (Social Sciences/Sciences)*

We will be scheduling dates for workshops featuring:

⇒ *An Introduction and Overview of the NSF/NIH*

⇒ *Finding Funding Opportunities*

⇒ *Basics of Grant Budgeting*

Many NEH grant opportunities have been announced recently. Please check your email or contact ORSP for details.

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UPCOMING GRANT DEADLINES (CONTINUED)

- *Multidisciplinary Research Program of the University Research Initiative (MURI): Deadline: November 13, 2006*

Access the Fiscal Year 2007 Announcement http://www.onr.navy.mil/02/baa/docs/baa_06_028.pdf.

The MURI is a multi-agency DoD program that supports research teams whose efforts intersect more than one traditional science and engineering discipline. Multidisciplinary team effort can accelerate research progress in areas particularly suited to this approach. Multidisciplinary research also can help to hasten the transition of research findings to practical application. The DoD expects that MURI programs will promote application of defense research, principally for defense purposes but also for commercial purposes. The research topics described in the MURI announcement generally underpin dual use defense technologies that are critical to national defense and that also have good potential for commercial application. Interactions with research and development organizations that transition research findings to application, particularly industrial organizations, DoD laboratories, and other organizations that perform research and development for defense applications, are encouraged.

- *NSF 06-587 Dynamics of Coupled Natural and Human Systems (CNH): Deadline November 16, 2006*

This competition is jointly conducted by three NSF directorates (Biological Sciences; Geosciences; and Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences) with additional participation from two other directorates (Engineering and Education and Human Resources) and two offices (Office of International Science and Engineering and Office of Polar Programs). CNH aims to support basic research and related activities that enhance fundamental understanding of the complex interactions within and among natural and human systems. Through this competition, NSF intends to make awards across a range of sizes from roughly $500,000 to no more than $1,500,000. CNH focuses on the complex interactions among human and natural systems at diverse spatial, temporal, and organizational scales. CNH seeks to advance basic knowledge about the system dynamics ~ the processes through which systems function and interact with other systems. http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2006/nsf06587/nsf06587.htm

- *NSF 06-597 CISE Computing Research Infrastructure (CRI): Deadline November 15, 2006 (Optional Letter of Intent Due October 2, 2006)*

The CRI program provides support for the acquisition, creation, and dissemination of computing infrastructure that enhances research and education capabilities, that is not normally fundable under individual research and education grants, and that is beyond the infrastructure available at the host institution(s). The proposing team is expected to have an existing set of active research and education projects in the core CISE disciplines as described on the NSF Website; the projects may be supported by NSF or other resources. The CRI program also supports multidisciplinary proposals as long as they emphasize significant research and education opportunities in core CISE disciplines. Proposals may request infrastructure ranging from single instruments to major experimental facilities, or develop infrastructure ranging from a single data repository to a major research testbed. http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2006/nsf06597/nsf06597.htm

- *Robert Wood Johnson Scholars in Health Policy Research Program: Deadline October 25, 2006*

This program helps develop a new generation of creative health policy thinkers and researchers within the disciplines of economics, political science, and sociology. Each year, the program selects up to twelve highly qualified individuals for two-year fellowships at one of three nationally prominent universities with the expectation that they will make important research contributions to future health policy in the United States. http://rwjf.org

Hunter College will be hosting a Scientist Grant Writing Training Seminar this Fall. The focus will be on how to write a winning proposal for the NIH and NSF. Please call our office to register. All SCORE applicants are required to attend.

Post-Award Corner:
⇒ *The Research Foundation (RF) of CUNY has enhanced the e-PAF system and e-timesheets to make them more user-friendly and comprehensive.*
⇒ *A representative from the RF will be on campus every Wednesday from 9 a.m.–5 p.m. in Room 2158 Boylan Hall to answer questions regarding new hire paperwork, benefits, assist PI's with various forms (i.e. payment requests, travel reimbursement), and other grant related issues.*

Selected Proposals Submitted (June-August)

Eshel, Dan	NIH	$ 235,500
Fogel, Joshua	NARSAD	$ 60,000
Forest, Charlene	NIH	$ 235,500
Gavin, Ray	NIH	$ 627,734
Gurwitz/Raphan	NSF	$ 149,966
Hainline, Louise	NIH	$ 2,861,938
Kurylo, Daniel	NIH	$ 706,500
Magliozzo, Richard	NIH	$ 156,964
McCabe, Paul	NIH	$ 157,000
Miele, Eleanor	NSF	$ 324,216
Moses, Paul	Sociological Initiatives Foundation	$ 15,000
Muth, Theodore	NSF	$ 197,942
Oakeshott, Steve	NIH	$ 431,750
Oppenheimer, Gerald	NEH	$ 24,000
Pipe, Margaret-Ellen	USDOJ	$ 397,666
Polle, Juergen	NSF	$ 870,823
Powell, Wayne	NSF	$ 221,130
Powell/Tomkiewicz/Hainline/Parsons	NSF	$ 3,000,000
Rabin, Laura	NSF	$ 812,352
Raphan, Theodore	NIH	$ 191,250
Shum, Kai	NSF	$ 199,509
Silman, Shlomo	NIH	$ 556,829
Sklar, Elizabeth	NSF	$ 88,480
Walder, Deborah	NIH	$ 157,000

Selected Grants Awarded (June-August)

Bar-Noy Amotz	NSF	$84,863
Hainline, Louise	NIH	$ 463,501
Gavin, Ray	NSF	$ 202,127
Gura, Timothy	CUNY	$ 10,000
Powell. Wayne	CUNY	$ 10,000
Lesser/Hainline/Miele/ Powell/Tomkiewicz	NSF	$ 999,986
Sclafani, Anthony	NIH	$ 268,928
Sclafani, Anthony	NIH	$ 339,000
Singh, Shaneen	NSF	$ 544,433
Sklar, Elizabeth	Passaic Board	$ 6,000
Sokol, Dina	NSF	$ 321,308
Rosenberger, Alfred	NSF	$ 5,486

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION NEWS: GRANTS.GOV AND NIH UPDATE SF424 (R & R) AND AGENCY-SPECIFIC FORMS

Grants.gov and NIH recently updated the standard form SF424 (R&R) and agency-specific PHS 398 electronic grant application form components used for electronic submission of grant applications. The changes provide greater standardization among application forms and incorporate new policy requirements. All new NIH Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs) will use the revised application form. Over the next few months, NIH will update existing FOAs that use the older forms to reference the new application. New grant opportunity announcements will reference the revised application, and old announcements will be revised to reflect the new application form. NIH will maintain and support the old and new application packages and their associated application instructions until they are sure that all applications approved to use the old form set have been received and processed.

What the new application form means for applicants:

- New FOAs will be posted citing the revised application packages.

- FOAs issued before June 15, 2006 that expire on or before December 31, 2006, will be allowed to close naturally without issuing any revised application form.

- For older FOAs with multiple future receipt dates, NIH will update the FOA to expire the old application form and reflect the revised application.

The following table shows when to use the new forms:

Posting/Release Date of FOA	Grant Mechanism	Use New Forms
Before June 15, 2006*	R03, R15, R21, R21/33, R33 and R34	After July 18
Before June 15, 2006*	SBIR/STTR (R41, R42, R43, R44), R13/U13	After Sept. 15
On or after June 15, 2006	All application packages will contain the new forms	√
* Only FOAs that expire after December 31, 2006		

Foundation Corner: American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS)

The American Council of Learned Societies was founded in 1919 to advance humanistic studies in all fields of learning in the humanities and related social sciences and to maintain and strengthen relations among the national societies devoted to such studies. ACLS offers fellowships and grants in over one dozen programs, for research in the humanities and humanistic social sciences at the doctoral and postdoctoral levels. The specifics of the competitions vary; program descriptions, eligibility requirements, and application procedures for each program can be found at www.acls.org.

Helpful Grant Tips:

To write a good proposal takes a long time. Start early. Begin thinking about your topic well in advance and make it a habit to collect references while you work on other tasks. Write a first draft at least three months in advance, revise it, show it to colleagues. Let it gather a little dust, collect colleagues' comments, revise it again. If you have a chance, share it with a seminar or similar group; the debate should help you anticipate what reviewers will eventually think. Revise the text again for substance. Go over the language, style, and form. Resharpen your opening paragraph or first page so that it drives home exactly what you mean as effectively as possible.*

*Text taken from The Art of Writing Proposals, Przeworski and Salomon, 1995. For the complete article go to http://www.ssrc.org/fellowships/art_of_writing_proposals.page

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