



Grants Development Office



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Funding Opportunities Newsletter / November 2019

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Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity

Apprenticeship Expansion Program

Deadline: December 2, 2019

Award: \$50,000 - \$300,000

Apprenticeship Expansion Program funds projects that expand registered apprenticeships for Illinois youth, adults, dislocated workers, and/or incumbent workers that are eligible under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. This grant program will fund the following: 1) “apprenticeship navigators,” which work at the regional level building relationships with employers to expand the use of apprenticeship as a work-based learning strategy; 2) projects that supplement existing apprenticeship programs or that can quickly operationalize emerging apprenticeship programs (i.e., immediately recruit and register apprentices); and 3) projects that cultivate apprenticeship development and registered apprentice enrollment in areas of the state where apprenticeship programs do not exist or are underdeveloped despite employer interest.

<https://www.illinoisworknet.com/apprenticeshipnofo2019>

National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA)

Higher Education Challenge (HEC) Grants Program

Deadline: March 3, 2020

Award: \$30,000 - \$750,000

The HEC grants program funds projects that improve the economic health and viability of communities by developing or expanding degree programs in emerging national food, agriculture, natural resource, and human (FAHN) sciences fields. HEC-funded projects also increase the number and diversity of students entering the FANH sciences. In this round of funding, the HEC grants program is accepting education or teaching projects that: 1) develop or expand FAHN sciences curricula and provide students with hands-on learning opportunities (e.g., apprenticeships, internships, etc.); 2) professional development for FANH sciences faculty; and 3) partnerships between academic institutions (e.g., articulation agreements, collaborative curriculum development, regionalization of academic programs, etc.)

<https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/higher-education-challenge-hec-grants-program>

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grant News & Announcements

Grant Writing Tip: Grant applicants build credibility with a potential funder in every section of a project proposal—including the budget. The Grants.gov [Community Blog post](#) offers the following three tips for building credibility with your *budget narrative*:

1. Clearly connect specific line items to the project’s overall objective or set of objectives. In doing so, you ensure reviewers understand each item’s value to the overall success of the project.
2. Provide as much detail as possible when constructing the budget. Proposal reviewers should never have to infer how or why you have arrived at a specific line item expense.
3. Demonstrate, whenever possible, that you have designed the most cost-effective solution. Explain how you will maximize the funding agency’s investment.

Many of these opportunities are time-sensitive and require a quick response time. Please contact us at Ext. 3022 or stop by Room E-315 ASAP if you are interested in any of these funding opportunities.

FOUNDATION

The Field Foundation

Deadline: January 1, 2020

Award: \$15,000 - \$50,000

The Field Foundation seeks to create a more equitable, connected, and inclusive local media ecosystem in which the stories of all Chicagoans are told accurately, fairly, authoritatively, and contextually. To that end, the foundation will fund African-American, Latinx, Asian, Arab and Native American (ALAANA) media, journalists and storytellers to support narratives by, for and about ALAANA communities. The Foundation will fund the development of partnerships and collaborations, content creation, capacity building projects, training and leadership projects, and rapid response projects. The Foundation defines journalism as “the activity of gathering, assessing, creating, and presenting news and information.” (Source: American Press Institute). The Foundation defines storytelling as the act of creating fact-based stories across mediums (from podcasts to documentaries) that offer perspectives that can change hearts, minds and potentially policy around pressing issues. <https://fieldfoundation.org/grantmaking/program-areas/>

Westinghouse Charitable Giving Program

Deadline: Accepts applications year round

Award: Unspecified

The Westinghouse Charitable Giving Program’s funding priorities include STEM education, environmental sustainability, and community safety and vitality. Fundable STEM education projects improve knowledge and literacy of STEM among students, teachers, and the general public. Fundable environmental sustainability projects preserve or restore land, air, water or biodiversity. Successful projects in this category advance a technology that enhances environmental sustainability. Projects funded under the community safety and vitality category improve the overall quality of life within a community by supporting initiatives that enhance safety and public well-being. Fundable projects in this category may focus on increasing the safety, health, and/or wellness of the workplace environment. <http://www.westinghousenuclear.com/about/community-and-education/charitable-giving-program>

FOUNDATION

Spencer Foundation

Conference Grant Program

Deadline: December 4, 2019

Award: Funds projects with budgets of up to \$50,000

The Spencer Foundation’s Conference Grant program funds small research conferences and focused symposia that explore critical issues in education research. The Foundation intends for applicants to bring together researchers, practitioners, and other important collaborators whose substantive knowledge, theoretical insight, and methodological expertise can be assembled in ways that build upon and advance education research. These convenings should serve as starting points for building new research agendas or as touchstones for research communities to connect and advance their shared scholarly interests about education research.

https://www.spencer.org/grant_types/conference-grants

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation

Higher Education and Scholarship in the Humanities

Deadline: Accepts application year round

Award: \$150,000 - \$1.5 million

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation’s Higher Education and Scholarship in the Humanities program assists colleges, universities, and research institutes, including Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Tribal Colleges and Universities, and Hispanic-Serving Institutions. The program provides funding for institutions to: train scholars and produce scholarship in the humanities broadly conceived; foster practices of diversity and inclusion and promote the social value of the humanities; respond to the economic, demographic, financial, and technological challenges affecting higher education; and expand access and support degree completion. The Foundation has funded curriculum development, programs in public humanities and community engagement, and initiatives to recruit, engage, and retain humanities faculty.

<https://mellon.org/programs/higher-education-and-scholarship-humanities/>



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