**CUNY QC Research Updates**

**October 29, 2021**

This edition of the Research Updates includes these highlighted items:

* funding information from the Grant Announcement Letter (GAL)
* Info on the RFCUNY Brown Bag Research Webinar on the NSF-Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate (AGEP) program
* Travel petition process for CUNY personnel during the pandemic
* Opportunities from NASA
* Message from Office of Res Compliance on the Transition from Ideate to IRBManager
* Gentle reminders for PSC-CUNY, and the 10M RFT - CUNY Green Energy Investments

Details are available on the research website: [https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/updates](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001r-WB_wgnGjzAEG27wlehWFGnQCrwF1RqMMNQY61wlMC1CglhyBtaGrt6Mhh4sTeuwxaiLbjOCFs5HLtUdTwlcGnEV0UmMrtoWSnLiJQI5OjVKbiUnJfvG0lVQxfQyAM_7_hw8GCU0SIII5WpfFgDrA0M4W7mVs0eEqzkPzpoRuRiQP4Xij1BJlo4sHFxkVdW&c=SlEzEGrGTMhGcVa3RVHtEY7Es-FqEfxRrK8CBy_3PO_CG0UslJCCDQ==&ch=xbeUWsir89ZjPaMFIUQLKfJQkttHQn_BdwEzYK36-rlo10klX8wg2A==).

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**RFCUNY Brown Bag Research Webinar**

**Topic:** NSF-Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate (AGEP) Grants

**Date:** November 10th, 12 Noon-1:00pm

**Targeted Audience:** All CUNY science and engineering faculty

**Presenters:** John Tsapogas, Director, RFCUNY-APPS and Jorge Gonzalez, NOAA CREST Professor of Engineering, City College of The City University of New York

**Register** at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7930463328257473292>. Webinar ID 647-499-571

**Overview of Webinar:** AGEP seeks to build on research and literature concerning racial and ethnic equity in order to increase the number of historically underrepresented minority faculty in STEM. Furthering the AGEP goal requires advancing knowledge about new academic STEM career pathway models, and about evidence-based systemic or institutional change initiatives to promote equity and the professional advancement of the AGEP populations who are pursuing, entering, and continuing in non-tenure and tenure-track STEM faculty positions.

**Travel petition process for CUNY personnel (from RF)**

We want to provide you with a brief overview of the travel petition process for CUNY employees (faculty and staff) and CUNY students. Please review the form and the links below:

CUNY’s travel during pandemic page:

<https://www1.cuny.edu/sites/global/health-and-safety-abroad/travel-during-the-pandemic-domestic-and-international/>

Copy of CUNY’s current waiver form:

<https://www1.cuny.edu/sites/global/wp-content/uploads/sites/11/media-assets/Petition-for-Domestic-or-Intl-Travel-under-COVID-19-.pdf>

Step 1: The petitioner forwards a completed waiver form to their applicable Responsible Executive Officer (REO)\* for review and approval. The form must be signed and dated by the REO. \*For QC, REO is the Provost.

Step 2: The petitioner forwards the completed waiver form signed by the REO to the applicable CUNY Administrator for review. This information is referenced in the link above (travel during the pandemic …)

Step 3: After the Administrator review is complete, it is scheduled for review and final approval by the review committee.

Step 4: The review committee either approves or denies the requests. The petitioner and the REO are notified of the committee’s decision.

Items to note:

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1. This process is applicable for CUNY employees (faculty/staff) and CUNY students for all travel outside New York State, including day trips.
2. Petitions require a two tier approval process. The first tier is campus level (REO) and the second is CUNY’s Central Office. The latter may require approvals by other individuals before committee review.
3. Petitioners must allocate sufficient time in advance of their trips to ensure timely approvals.
4. Petitions submitted to CUNY Administrators must be signed and dated by the REO.
5. The current version of the waiver form requests the traveler’s vaccination status. It is subject to confirmation by the campus. If the information is not provided, CUNY Central Office review will not take place.
6. The review committee meets weekly.
7. If a REO refuses to sign the waiver form, the petitioner must address the REO’s concerns. Central Office will not overrule a REO’s decision.
8. The waiver form is subject to change. Please advise CUNY employees and students to use the most current version of the waiver form. A link to the form is provided above.

To process travel advances or travel reimbursement for trips outside of New York State, Research Foundation needs a copy of the REO approved waiver form and CUNY Central Office approval as well. The same applies for travel arrangements paid with RFCUNY p-cards (purchasing cards).

**Opportunities for MSI from NASA**

NASA announced several opportunities for Minority Serving Institutions (MSI). We selected the ones that are relevant to QC..

1. DEADLINE EXTENSION AND WEBINAR! NASA’s [MUREP Aerospace High Volume Manufacturing and Supply Chain Management Cooperative Agreement](https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/solicitations/summary!init.do?solId=%7b4BC7D427-8132-1B90-F603-FE6157655C50%7d&path=open) (MUREP High Volume) has extended the proposal deadline to December 10, 2021. This award is an opportunity for your Minority Serving Institution (MSI) to help address the bottleneck in domestic aerospace high-volume manufacturing created by the increased interest and demand for unmanned aircraft systems (drones) and urban air mobility applications. This effort also supports NASA’s goal of creating a more diverse workforce. [Click here](https://nasaenterprise.webex.com/nasaenterprise/j.php?MTID=m87d4b202f8233b0a4329aec72fc8e537) or call in (1-929-251-9612) to join us for an informational webinar on November 4, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. EST for a review of the opportunity with Q&A (Event code: 27611416817, Password: 6i2kVQtDP@8). To review the solicitation requirements and the previous teleconference recording and slides, visit the [High Volume NSPIRES page](https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/solicitations/summary!init.do?solId=%7b4BC7D427-8132-1B90-F603-FE6157655C50%7d&path=open). Don’t miss out on this great opportunity to support strengthening the resiliency and capacity of American manufacturing and supply chain.

2. [HBCU/MSI Technology Infusion Road Tour November 16 – 18, 2021!](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nasa-hbcumsi-technology-infusion-road-tour-tickets-169304033923) This two-day virtual conference, designed to increase the competitiveness of Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs), will highlight opportunities to engage with NASA’s Mission Directorates, Office of Procurement, Office of Small Business Programs, and MUREP. Additionally, you’ll hear from NASA’s Large Prime Contractors, several MSIs will share their research capabilities, and networking sessions will be available with each of the days’ speakers.

[A tentative agenda is available here](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1UFokfC3sRqApIw2_6-uMtU3S8uhwQzex/view?usp=sharing).

[Registration is here](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nasa-hbcumsi-technology-infusion-road-tour-tickets-169304033923).

3. The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine is [seeking white papers](https://www.nationalacademies.org/our-work/decadal-survey-on-life-and-physical-sciences-research-in-space-2023-2032) for a [Decadal Survey on Biological and Physical Sciences Research](https://www.nasa.gov/stem-ed-resources/decadal-survey-on-biological-and-physical-sciences-research-in-space-2023-2032.html) to formulate a community consensus about the most compelling science questions for the decade ahead. This community-driven process provides a rare opportunity for scientists and engineers to share their insights toward a report to help NASA define and align biological and physical sciences research to uniquely advance scientific knowledge, meet human and robotic exploration mission needs, and provide terrestrial benefits. Submit a [Topical White Paper](http://s.alchemer.com/s3/Call-to-the-Biological-and-Physical-Sciences-Community-White-Papers-Topical) by October 31, 2021 and/or a [Research Campaign White Paper](http://s.alchemer.com/s3/Call-to-the-Biological-and-Physical-Sciences-Community-White-Papers-Research-Campaign) by December 23, 2021.

4. NASA’s Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) recently posted a [Sources Sought Notice for the JPL Deep Space Network (DSN) Maintenance and Operations](https://sam.gov/opp/b9a59e5a12e1456eb93286c2a0140c49/view) (M&O) re-competition. To ensure that JPL continues to receive quality services for competitive value, the M&O effort will be competed for a potential ten-year period with an expected start date of October 01, 2023. Visit the [DSN website](https://www.nasa.gov/directorates/heo/scan/services/networks/deep_space_network/about) for more information and to share your interest.

**Transition from Ideate to IRBManager** (from the Office of Research Compliance)

As you are aware, we are transitioning human subjects research projects from Ideate to IRBManager. Below is important information and reminders regarding this transition.

\*\*\*IMPORTANT FIRST THREE STEPS AFTER LOGGING IN TO IRBMANAGER\*\*\*

1. Missing protocols (if applicable)

If you, as a PI, have logged into IRBManager using CUNYFirst and do not see your protocols, please contact your campus HRPP Coordinator. You can find the HRPP Coordinator list below.

ONLY COMPLETE STEPS 2 AND 3 AFTER STEP 1 HAS BEEN RESOLVED

2. DO NOT use "Settings" to update your campus email address. To update your campus email address, click [Update My Email Address](https://cuny.my.irbmanager.com/xForms/StartForm.ashx?Form=aedceed2-981f-40bc-9bc0-5d110c4f6459&FormVersion=bc850277-460a-4b07-9949-6aef617265c3&FormOwner=45bfdae9-6030-4d1e-a63c-5ba327869989) or access the xForm under "Start xForm" from your Dashboard (ONLY if you logged into IRBManager with your CUNYFirst credentials).

3. CITI Certifications - 2 Options provided below (CITI Certification expiration dates are now linked to end user's profiles. CITI Certifications no longer get uploaded to IRB applications.)

(A) The process for confirming and/or changing your preferred email address in CITI is as follows (this process applies to ALL research personnel on a protocol (if applicable):

1. Log in to CITI at<https://www.citiprogram.org/>
2. In the upper right corner under your name and ID, click the down arrow.
3. Select “Profiles”.
4. Under “Member Profiles”, click “Edit Profile”.
5. Scroll down to Your preferred email address.
6. Confirm that this is your current CUNY email address, or revise if needed.

(B) Click [Update CITI Alternate Email Address](https://cuny.my.irbmanager.com/xForms/StartForm.ashx?Form=62fb3a9d-d636-434e-9e6a-9faa32f4e915&FormVersion=21026bd9-0e74-4e9d-aa67-b26bdcaf003e&FormOwner=45bfdae9-6030-4d1e-a63c-5ba327869989). You can also access this form under Start xForm from your dashboard. This form is for adding the alternate email address under which you have taken CITI training and wish to continue using.

Research Personnel

The manual process of adding Research personnel to migrated protocols has begun. Approved research personnel can ONLY be added to active approved protocols in IRBManager ONLY if they are listed in the system.

* If there is a sense of urgency to have your research personnel added to your migrated protocol(s), please contact HRPP@cuny.edu. In the email include the protocol number(s) and the name(s) of your research personnel.

Transferring IDEATE active approved protocols into IRBManager:

Migrated active approved protocols MUST be populated in IRBManager including the protocol attachments. CITI Certifications should ONLY be attached for research personnel who are not affiliated with CUNY/RFCUNY.

THE IDEATE AND THE IRBMANAGER PROTOCOL(S) MUST MATCH. ANY slight change to the protocol(s) REQUIRES the submission of the amendment for HRPP/IRB review and approval.

1. Please view the video at CUNY’s [IRB Manager](https://www.cuny.edu/research/research-compliance/human-research-protection-program/transition-to-irb-manager/) page on Creating Amendments OR follow the instructions in the [CUNY IRBManager Manual](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kH_TnR2sNQYTC99yL_vZrlhcPPk2ytse/view?usp=sharing) at Section 13.

2. Copy for Amendment: Use to request changes to existing migrated active approved protocol(s) AND/OR to transfer active approved protocol(s) information including attachments from IDEATE.

**Gentle Reminders:**

The PSC-CUNY Cycle 53 Deadlines are: December 6, 2021 (internal deadline by QC ORSP), and December 15, 2021 (final deadline by RF).

Information for PSC-CUNY can be found at the [PSC\_CUNY Page](https://www.rfcuny.org/rfwebsite/principal-investigators/explore-pre-award-resources/internal-funding-psc-cuny-award-program/).

The deadline for the $10M RFT - CUNY Green Energy Investments (see the last Research Updates) is November 8.

**October 1, 2021**

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[GAL-Sep 21.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ZqCZ-XwdfVgeGgiYFn-g5XO4jeAzRDhW/view?usp=sharing)

**$10M RFI - CUNY Green Energy Investments**

For detailed RFI, see [**CUNY-RFI**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1SkOrz1J3OEnwnvlq7Vst0-y259N3607q/view?usp=sharing)

We are excited to announce that CUNY has been allocated **$10 million** in capital funding from the New York State legislature to support the development and expansion of the Green Energy sector. An additional $500,000 in funding from the New York City budget is also available to support programmatic costs. New York State has made a commitment to address climate change and promote sustainable energy development, and CUNY is a critical partner in this effort.

Many CUNY campuses are already engaged in this work: training the necessary workforce, researching new technology, and building partnerships across the supply chain. Some CUNY campuses are engaged in adjacent work that can quickly shift to support this emerging sector.

**We are seeking brief proposals for Green Energy capital investments and programmatic initiatives that could be supported by these funds.** Attached, please find an overview of the available funding and resources regarding the sector.

To submit a proposal, please fill out the short survey at this link: [Wind Power / Green Energy Survey](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__ybephbsyus.formstack.com_forms_offshore-5Fwind-5Fpower-5Fgreen-5Fenergy-5Fsurvey&d=DwMFAg&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=Hd-ROfIuMzvbt_yCx1mYJw_ZV3YqoG4b2h0UNgqE2TQ&m=tPLUIeUfFEXOsj6BOOgqdVEAxZVbi-t7ndF6bgUMXCI&s=4XtzU67ZmXy6gnOAL8z395BgTuAlxuggnrDVHIwrxDk&e=)

Proposals are due by **November 8, 2021.**

A virtual session will be held on *October 15 at noon* to answer any questions and give interested proposers a chance to meet one another and seek collaborators if desired.

To RSVP for this session, or to clarify any questions you may have before then, please reach out to Careersuccess@cuny.edu

Thank you for your thoughtful responses. We look forward to reviewing them and **supporting** CUNY **to continue our** leading role in building a sustainable future for New York.

Lauren Andersen, University Dean, Industry & Talent Partnerships

Office of Continuing Education & Workforce Partnerships

Tamera Schneider, Ph.D., Associate Vice Chancellor for Research

Tria Case, University Executive Director of Sustainability

and Energy Conservation

**NSF Dear Colleague Letter on sustainability and climate change.**

[Dear Colleague Letter: Critical Aspects of Sustainability (CAS): Innovative Solutions to Climate Change](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDAsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MzAuNDY3MDY3NTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5uc2YuZ292L3B1YnMvMjAyMS9uc2YyMTEyNC9uc2YyMTEyNC5qc3A_V1QubWNfZXY9Y2xpY2smV1QubWNfaWQ9VVNOU0ZfMzImdXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fc291cmNlPWdvdmRlbGl2ZXJ5In0.kDnQpG2DR36xcfCyRNBjU4jCYHf4MNg07tNPrSbqBps/s/1042358106/br/113172202669-l)

Available Formats:

HTML: [https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2021/nsf21124/nsf21124.jsp?WT.mc\_id=USNSF\_32&WT.mc\_ev=click](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MzAuNDY3MDY3NTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5uc2YuZ292L3B1YnMvMjAyMS9uc2YyMTEyNC9uc2YyMTEyNC5qc3A_V1QubWNfZXY9Y2xpY2smV1QubWNfaWQ9VVNOU0ZfMzImdXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fc291cmNlPWdvdmRlbGl2ZXJ5In0.3feLwRLTRkbMw4XPbPi2y9GjM3HmvqWLGQvO2KyAtJc/s/1042358106/br/113172202669-l)

PDF: [https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2021/nsf21124/nsf21124.pdf?WT.mc\_id=USNSF\_32&WT.mc\_ev=click](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MzAuNDY3MDY3NTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5uc2YuZ292L3B1YnMvMjAyMS9uc2YyMTEyNC9uc2YyMTEyNC5wZGY_V1QubWNfZXY9Y2xpY2smV1QubWNfaWQ9VVNOU0ZfMzImdXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fc291cmNlPWdvdmRlbGl2ZXJ5In0.TD31VUW8JY6XknZj5DmpF1P_EAZAGh3RD8Mc26goCFk/s/1042358106/br/113172202669-l)

**IRBManager Updates for Human Subjects Research Protocols**  (From the Office of Research Compliance)

The HRPP Transition Update #4 can be found at

[IRBManager Announcement #4.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/117DFXOtFOKPj9diu4H8DudcLkrmtpJZu/view?usp=sharing_eil_m&ts=615652de)

General information about the transition can always be found at

[Please click here for training materials and important information regarding the transition to IRB Manager.](https://www.cuny.edu/research/research-compliance/human-research-protection-program/transition-to-irb-manager/)

**Opportunities from DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service)**

From Professor Spreizer, DAAD Research Ambassador of QC, [christine.spreizer@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:christine.spreizer@qc.cuny.edu)

For a **general overview** of funding resources for QC undergraduates, graduates, and postdocs see the following link (most deadlines are in October and November):

<https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/>

Some examples of these upcoming opportunities include:

**Online language courses for faculty (Oct. 4 deadline):**

<https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/faculty/learn-german/>

**RISE Worldwide Program/Internship Database. Become a host for a German intern. (Oct 15 deadline).**

Are you a professor, a postdoc or a Ph.D. student at a research institute? Do you want to become a host for a German undergraduate intern? Researchers from accredited universities and non-profit research institutions can submit an internship offer for which German students from the fields of engineering, natural and earth sciences, medicine, computer science or related disciplines may apply. A successful applicant will receive a DAAD scholarship to carry out a research stay in your working group.

<https://www.daad.de/rise/en/rise-worldwide/offer-an-internship/>

**Research Stays (Oct 15 deadline)**

DAAD offers grants for one to three months in all academic disciplines to scholars at US and Canadian institutions of higher education to pursue research at universities, libraries, archives, institutes or laboratories in Germany.

<https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/faculty/research-stays/>

**One Year Research Grants (Nov. 4 deadline)**

<https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/graduate-opportunities/research-grants/research-grants-one-year-grants-7-12-months/>

**Short-Term Research Grants (Nov 4 deadline)**

<https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/graduate-opportunities/research-grants/short-term-research-grants/>

**Study Scholarships (Nov 4 deadline)**

Highly qualified final year undergraduate students or those who have received an undergraduate degree of all disciplines may apply for the DAAD Study Scholarship for a full Master’s degree program at a German university or for study at a German university as part of a postgraduate or Master’s degree program completed in the home country.

<https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/graduate-opportunities/study-scholarship/>

**August 23, 2021**

**Transition plans due to the upcoming GSuite shutdown.**

As you may be aware, Queens College is planning to discontinue the use of Google Suite. As a result, transition plans involving several aspects of research, including our own Research at QC and Study Recruitment websites are necessary. The Study Recruitment of QC (SRRC) website has already been migrated off GSuite and can now be found at [**http://srrc.qc.cuny.edu/**](http://srrc.qc.cuny.edu/).”

Other research related transitions, e.g. data storage, are being planned, and you will be kept informed of once such plans are finalized.

**From the Office of Research Compliance**

1. If you conduct research with human subjects, please be aware that CUNY is moving from IDEATE to IRB Manager as the platform for submissions to the CUNY IRB and HRPP. CUNY has provided important details and a Q&A in the document

[HRPP Transition Update #3 - IRB Manager.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1veAH2dsQD4-83GSvD7STtq7e0scFsKjN/view?usp=sharing_eil_m&ts=6123f37b)

More information will be provided as we help navigate this transition.

1. The Biden Administration has issued "Clear Rules for Research Security and Researcher Responsibility" in an effort to “strengthen protections of United States Government-supported R&D against foreign government interference and exploitation” while “maintaining an open environment to foster research discoveries and innovation that benefit our nation and the world.” The entire release can be viewed here:<https://www.whitehouse.gov/ostp/news-updates/2021/08/10/clear-rules-for-research-security-and-researcher-responsibility/>

**QC Global Newsletter**

The Fall 2021 QC Global Newsletter is now available at

<https://www.qc.cuny.edu/Academics/GlobalEd/OGEI/documents/QCGlobal_Newsletter_2021.pdf> If you have updates on your international work that can be included in future editions, please contact Dr. Mihaela.Robila at [Mihaela.Robila@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:Mihaela.Robila@qc.cuny.edu)

**NSF Strategic Positioning Workshops (**from the CUNY Office of Research and ASRC)

What are the strengths of CUNY faculty in relation to NSF Funding opportunities and what are the strengths of CUNY as a research environment?

Please register and share with your network: [2021 NSF Strategic Positioning Workshops - Formstack](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__ybephbsyus.formstack.com_forms_2021-5Fnih-5Fgrant-5Fwriting-5Fworkshops-5Fcopy&d=DwMFAw&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=e0Qh2HLKDZbM0NXKclT9oyMouTYLsyDguiuWxMIto8Y&m=GeGYHvw-AK1XWtnocA_7CmmH-ZsDRxfEz8MOw98CtTo&s=j_HdpyDBCBKoDzVGI0hs00P6dFxdb2lN3flLC_xASiQ&e=)

**Workshop 1: Friday, August 27, 1:00-2:30**

**General NSF Overview**

**Presenters:** Tamera Schneider, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research (Prior to joining CUNY, Dr. Schneider was Deputy Division Director for Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences at the NSF)

Rosemarie Wesson, Associate Dean for Research, CCNY (Dr. Wesson was a Program Director at the NSF for 13 years in the divisions of transport, environmental, chemical, and bioengineering)

**Topics covered:**

* NSF organizational aims and how the proposal & review process works
* Discuss the different research areas and special programs
* What does CUNY offer the NSF mission?

**Workshop 2: Friday, September 10, 1:00-2:30**

**How to read an NSF RFP**

**Presenters:** Linda Vigdor, Associate Director of Proposal Development, Advanced Science Research Center (Dr. Vigdor initiates, designs, and facilitates strategic programs including collaboration initiatives and NSF CAREER grant writing bootcamps).

Adam Greenberg, Grants Director, Advanced Science Research Center (Adam Greenberg oversees all pre- and post- award operations and administration of sponsored awards at the ASRC)

**Topics covered:**

* Analyzing the RFP: What is it for? How should you read it? When should you refer to it?
* Discuss representative types of RFPs from single investigator to Center grants
* Recommended proposal development timeline

Please register and share with your network: [2021 NSF Strategic Positioning Workshops - Formstack](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__ybephbsyus.formstack.com_forms_2021-5Fnih-5Fgrant-5Fwriting-5Fworkshops-5Fcopy&d=DwMFAw&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=e0Qh2HLKDZbM0NXKclT9oyMouTYLsyDguiuWxMIto8Y&m=GeGYHvw-AK1XWtnocA_7CmmH-ZsDRxfEz8MOw98CtTo&s=j_HdpyDBCBKoDzVGI0hs00P6dFxdb2lN3flLC_xASiQ&e=)

The link to the Zoom meeting will be provided after registration.

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[GAL-JUNE 21.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VhkelAEvydec4F7HwZHkM4iR6xh5GPk2/view?usp=sharing_eil_m&ts=611f09b1)

**Postdoc Opportunity - Air Force Science & Technology Fellowships**

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine administers postdoctoral and senior research awards at the U.S. Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL), the U.S. Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT), and the U.S. Air Force Academy (USAFA) under the [Air Force Science & Technology Fellowship Program (AF STFP)](https://clicks.mdremail.com/email/S-6545@77724@J2XbKw_wQJCbuMeLyEJTFyUoN68stpwMeNvPMN8Pm_c.@).

We are seeking highly qualified candidates who are U.S. citizens and hold, or anticipate earning, a doctorate in a variety of fields of science or engineering.

**Application deadline dates** (four annual review cycles: February 1, May 1, August 1, November 1 )

**Awardees have the opportunity to:**

* Conduct independent research in an area compatible with the interests of the Air Force laboratories
* Devote full-time effort to research and publication
* Access the excellent and often unique Air Force research facilities
* Collaborate with leading scientists and engineers

**Awardee benefits:**

* Base stipend starting at $76,542; may be higher based on experience
* Health insurance (including dental and vision), relocation benefits, and a professional travel allowance

Applicants should contact prospective AFRL, AFIT and USAFA Research Adviser(s) at the lab(s) prior to the application deadline to discuss their research interests and funding opportunities.

For detailed program information, to search for AFRL, AFIT, and USAFA Research Opportunities, and to contact prospective Research Adviser(s), visit [www.nas.edu/afstfp](https://clicks.mdremail.com/email/S-6545@77725@J2XbKw_wQJCbuMeLyEJTFyUoN68stpwMeNvPMN8Pm_c.@).

**Opportunities from Fulbright Candada**

For 2022/2023, Fulbright Canada is offering more than 50 Research Chairs at top Canadian Institutions. Our grants support research with colleagues across Canada for a 4 to 9 month period- applications are accepted through September 15th, 2021

As part of the activities, US Scholars can conduct their own research, work collaboratively with new colleagues, guest lecture at university courses, mentor students, lecture in public venues, network, and promote your research while representing the Fulbright program, and their home and host institutions. These opportunities are for a start date of **September 2022** or **January 2023**.

For full details, including all available opportunities, eligibility requirements, application components, review criteria, check online at

<https://www.fulbright.ca/programs/american-scholars/research-chairs.html>

**May 20, 2021**

## **Funding Information from Grant Announcement Letter (GAL)**

The May 2021 edition of the Grant Announcement Letter from the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) is now available at[**GAL-MAY 21.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1FSNS60CYYBzwMlbwAp8JRMlVBORkiTVM/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=60a58519)

**The 2021 ASRC Seed Grant Program**

The Advanced Science Research Center (ASRC) Seed Grant Program provides funding to CUNY researchers pursuing interdisciplinary STEM projects that strive to inform and potentially lead to improved human, societal, and environmental well-being in the years to come. We seek to support creative, collaborative, and convergent research that addresses complex questions relevant to the most pressing challenges in STEM. A primary goal is also to seed research that will become the basis for new external funding.

The program encourages proposals that leverage the ASRC’s five Initiatives (Nanoscience, Photonics, Structural Biology, Neuroscience and Environmental Sciences), [15 core facilities](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/facilities-/h7486/449976647?h=jVMoH08udN5p_HlSGTtoakwrd6c2sevAzyqYiqIuM1o), and their analytical and human resources through collaboration.

The 2021 Seed Program will award six 12-month, $20,000 grants (in Research Foundation funds) to CUNY tenured, tenure-track, or research-track faculty who are pursuing collaborative, interdisciplinary research projects that are well-defined, compelling, innovative, and have a potential to yield meaningful advances. Researchers in any STEM field may apply, but those that take advantage of the ASRC’s facilities and resources will be prioritized. It is strongly encouraged that you discuss your proposal, prior to submission, with the ASRC Investigator(s) and/or Core Facility Director(s) that you propose to work with to ensure feasibility.

Complete submissions must be uploaded by 11:59 PM on Wednesday, June 2, 2021using the [online proposal submission form](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/forms-asrc-seedprogram-2021/h7488/449976647?h=jVMoH08udN5p_HlSGTtoakwrd6c2sevAzyqYiqIuM1o). Funding decisions will be announced in July 2021. The earliest available start date will be August 1, 2021 and the latest available start date will be October 1, 2021.

Please read the [complete program guidelines](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/Seed-Grant-Guidelines-2021-pdf/h748b/449976647?h=jVMoH08udN5p_HlSGTtoakwrd6c2sevAzyqYiqIuM1o) before beginning your submission**.**

Please direct program inquiries to:

Nina Gray, PhD

Executive Director, ASRC

Associate Dean for the Sciences

The Graduate Center, CUNY

[agray@gc.cuny.edu](mailto:agray@gc.cuny.edu)

[**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/)

**Date:** May 21, 2021, 12:00 - 1:00 PM

**Topic:** Public Interest Technology University Network (PIT-UN) Challenge Grant

**Register** at: [https://ybephbsyus.formstack.com/forms/funding\_fridays\_pitun\_challenge\_grant](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__ybephbsyus.formstack.com_forms_funding-5Ffridays-5Fpitun-5Fchallenge-5Fgrant&d=DwMFAg&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=HscrxxdOFm-fEvVu0_x4yx8YFUe-NpTYotFoveqDTlE&m=77Iv0URXmAnrFeAy2A4_QjXVIP_wp7w_exYLUO2mSGs&s=as9Ji2wAMsEk5PzlZSYwEa4S5zh4mEHwt1vBdfSh1cU&e=)

**Description** We have organized a special Bonus Funding Fridays webinar to discuss the [Public Interest Technology University Network Challenge grant competition](https://www.cuny.edu/research/research-development-programs/faculty-programs/external-funding-programs/limited-submissions/).

Two former CUNY winners, Katie Cumiskey (CSI) and Susan Imberman (CSI) will discuss their PIT projects and special guest speaker Andreen Soley, Director of the Public Interest Technology (PIT) University Network at New America will answer your questions about the national PIT initiative.

More information about the event series, including materials from past events, are available at <https://www.cuny.edu/research/news-events/funding-fridays/>

**QC (Virtual) Undergraduate Research Symposium 2021**

Earlier, the following message was sent to QC undergraduates from Matthew Civiletti, Director of Undergraduate Research. Here we want to keep you informed of this event, so you can encourage participation from undergraduates who have done good research.

From Matthew Civiletti, Director of Undergraduate Research

*I am pleased to announce that the Office of Undergraduate Research at Queens College will be hosting the (Virtual) Research Symposium 2021 from now through August 15, 2021. Submissions of research posters and videos will be accepted from undergraduate students as entrants into this asynchronous research symposium. The research must have been completed, or be in the process of completion, with a faculty advisor. The submission deadline is 11:59 pm on August 15, 2021.*

*Submitting a video is optional for participation in the symposium but is necessary if you would like to be entered into the Symposium 2021 Competition. Candidates' posters and videos will be judged by a panel of faculty after August 15, and the first, second, and third place winners will be awarded $500, $300, and $100, respectively.*

*If you are interested in participating, please fill in the following form (at the top of the form, there is a list of important symposium facts):* [*http://ougr.qc.cuny.edu/sign-up*](http://ougr.qc.cuny.edu/sign-up)*.*

*The posters and videos will be showcased as they are submitted; please go to* [*http://ougr.qc.cuny.edu/symposium-2021*](http://ougr.qc.cuny.edu/symposium-2021) *to find the link to the posters and videos.*

**From the Office of Research Compliance: Independent Researcher Agreements**

The Office of Research Compliance would like to remind the Queens College research community that Independent Research Agreements (IRAs) need to be executed for any individual who is a) not affiliated with CUNY nor; b) is acting as an employee or agent of another institution. IRAs must be executed before these individuals (independent researchers) can be involved in research activities conducted by CUNY.

To execute an IRA please follow the following steps:

1. Please review the Standard Operating Procedures for IRAs at <https://www.cuny.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/page-assets/research/research-compliance/research-agreements/2017-08-SOP-Independent-Researcher-Agreement-FINAL.pdf>.
2. Please complete the IRA application at <https://www.cuny.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/page-assets/research/research-compliance/research-agreements/Independent-Researcher-Agreement-Application-Oct-2017-addl-trainee-changes-pags-web.pdf>.
3. Please email the completed application to Michael Brown, Director of Research Compliance, at michael.brown@qc.cuny.edu.
4. Once review is completed by the Director of Research Compliance, they will notify you of any changes that are required and request that you obtain signature from your Department Chair.
5. Once your Department Chair has signed your application, you must email the signed copy to michael.brown@qc.cuny.edu. The Director of Research Compliance will then work to execute the agreement with the Queens College signatory authority for IRAs and return a final copy to you upon execution.

**May 7, 2021**

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**CUNY COVID-19 Global Forum**

**Date:** Friday, May 28, 2021, 10:00am - 4:00pm EST

**Register** at <https://tinyurl.com/7nzssam2>

**Program Flyer**: [CUNY.COVID.Global.Forum.Flyer.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/16mzSD9HVKH4KfmkQF4BANn2dH1GSLMzY/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=60933618)

**Description** As rich countries vaccinate their population and prepare to reopen, many poorer countries and vulnerable population in the US are struggling for vaccine access. On Friday, May 28th, the CUNY Research Scholars Program will host a global forum to discuss vaccine access and global equity issues. We will have three panels with speakers from Brazil, Egypt, Guatemala, Peru, South Africa and the United States. The US speakers will address vaccine access issues among migrants at the US borders, people in US prisons and jails, and vulnerable population in US cities.

As Anthony Fauci had said: “The only way you’re going to adequately respond to a global pandemic is by having a global response, and a global response means equity throughout the world.” Please join us for a conversation about these vital equity issues.

## **Spring 2021 NSF Virtual Grants Conference**

## Join the National Science Foundation (NSF) for the **Spring 2021 NSF Virtual Grants Conference!** This virtual conference will be broadcast live on Zoom during the week of **June 7-11, 2021**.

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## Registration is open! To register for this free event, visit our [**conference website**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rtc2h1uN6kGl3NGTxsPCkbRgyWTRcTO0X_wZGFxtG95GrPy4kgBS7cHV0vp7GVfCiE2d_ekkKp5ho3vHwnIfds_2KL95D5VchFR6MxqbWGoBaiSJBC2Co_HOsUs-L6YdHAq5j0YUbraxMFOtGLaFHhcGBzElG4W1cpkm3DaIE44yurOiP7mqePQcPczR_cMnqyOcFr7GkC4TJ4bDPHBqZjlaNoVKW1xJxKxA16EZJhQlyJApWY82m5MQngili5plhogduPR0B9Bmx5d_QzjhJqCfmF9DloWfl4Asvzk3iT1VVsTGgUJTUdtSna46AWRCCxDTPP8E8LnfvlOmStSbaeBmisDeXZAxdpVX6Y4JOlgMAhS4DB2SGN9TjM5ftLXDoFpX3lBHNDYMQbcUvxTmMxdPudApgdweilwGvudGVk7_jdxdMH_zLv4sf8DxZSW7A5e4NLxaPZNfs_bVSsDpL70JrANd1axTPWDNB36oc-IW7OUGRxgEUjdVECTOUaaajOa4UXIG5pBslYh7Yv8giw3wOJU9yYiRUlNWXfikjzntC4X74WYjrCEYTnlYCEjobP5bxbgpIwdhKzy_pELO9ZF_EH8W9m_3ZlaTSaEpMr3jF_fmS5fnfn_If6YfcoJqSh0PGq6AxIZ5FMF440vHOaaPNURayR8BAwrQXGvow6fWmKvCz30o_hvuCdxhC6E4YZsL8mEoXsZvZTRlSmruhkyDiKK2rFz4QyCSqLAPZaU=&c=do6a_5W6uzZ_7a-kTaj3JxfF-dj_G61DsvanCBADgrgcxfJSu966og==&ch=Z7AOhuM4RIfC2Bx_jdHuS8PO8fTycwYTA4lo7yKHLnvuoZPFDv_paw==). Note: You will need to register for *each* Zoom session. Also, please only register for one concurrent session per time block.

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## Please feel free to check [**nsfpolicyoutreach.com**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rtc2h1uN6kGl3NGTxsPCkbRgyWTRcTO0X_wZGFxtG95GrPy4kgBS7cHV0vp7GVfCztlpsG9kjP1qrfRFBGxW7fkcopHitH0V8LQD0GQMg5qod3_ZsudT6lwlEFFjUMOp3mU2tH1Pz_FkDKbROP3W2g7mGqDW1B401ZSebTjDCN_FdYdMnkxZfuaUhnek92MT&c=do6a_5W6uzZ_7a-kTaj3JxfF-dj_G61DsvanCBADgrgcxfJSu966og==&ch=Z7AOhuM4RIfC2Bx_jdHuS8PO8fTycwYTA4lo7yKHLnvuoZPFDv_paw==) for the most up-to-date conference information and to view the conference [**agenda**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rtc2h1uN6kGl3NGTxsPCkbRgyWTRcTO0X_wZGFxtG95GrPy4kgBS7cHV0vp7GVfCDfM3NZw0rW6vhbv3y5GAuHrb7pH6QfOaXWATArrujZ_4vVMPRFq6dWzsTAd88f1D1QtlhZh8OKZ0Jkxe_ho-TEXfAQkd3XBYbLc788rA3K_UifqUiLvBsrEFvG7EjLht8wXENEBm_qvWF2tvPBrBlFgsOGKvqZtRXgUj7gCXr31tZjytCfBs62ofKoSu0SffyWOfFAGyPI-l9jZfGNfhR789GV8IYDVAUEYscdbDHG8UnodBZwKpiX7U2pE-VSiYTADYIvAJ7L9IXwvqZnyUWAjtQMannyCGpkj-0kAygwYTL8qQZbN3MHIh-7h31pL_ZZ-p3-wTmqBJelqrveIVND877GGtAXzEUq9LXhK6-LJ2zCV_r6nhZvs1jJWubix51m94NBLQ5cyZdlqiege1Vm7SsGd5gKYjlmsgB_M41LdQ6X2xYoGxk6hV-Xb4327oam4GGaDE1ERg2kyGB_TfSCiQOLef3P0oVw95FDvhxIghqcjt4PyGVWHRLGzpRroBs9uVQp7G5rgBwNJRgIKQ3Rf7XuCIWwvuKsMikjd7-3bxW00ckJPIjckFpV8Xyquac1wLrT0DxFTkWJGFIuFWG8q9-TUj-tx-Mgfzkjyg9K3Sg6n_IDpZCAvDbNjDSx68Q4GAdB2cvQM=&c=do6a_5W6uzZ_7a-kTaj3JxfF-dj_G61DsvanCBADgrgcxfJSu966og==&ch=Z7AOhuM4RIfC2Bx_jdHuS8PO8fTycwYTA4lo7yKHLnvuoZPFDv_paw==). You can view session recordings of the Fall 2020 Virtual Grants Conference on our [**website**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rtc2h1uN6kGl3NGTxsPCkbRgyWTRcTO0X_wZGFxtG95GrPy4kgBS7RYOUlhMdseR836a4tcflYR9E56mIkiWovYprNoQlsZDALUilQPbLdhHn-5j05ijv0u9XUf6KLLwe1AvSLSFXR830UGuCQJ6kr8ckw0_C-KkjoeBgt6VQ3FtnYU_4hTgXw==&c=do6a_5W6uzZ_7a-kTaj3JxfF-dj_G61DsvanCBADgrgcxfJSu966og==&ch=Z7AOhuM4RIfC2Bx_jdHuS8PO8fTycwYTA4lo7yKHLnvuoZPFDv_paw==) or on our [**YouTube**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rtc2h1uN6kGl3NGTxsPCkbRgyWTRcTO0X_wZGFxtG95GrPy4kgBS7cHV0vp7GVfCpnxnL5g6iXGKbseO7YNRyTvkp0ulo4WAoxFPu6yeh-gGPIWlL-0YH8dNwcnhdxjqfUrZkwwk4dVAAji2oRiRU9k_mCZWsCnjOxmRb8SyG1aT4Q8ZxUrW1uuyWqwAozAd&c=do6a_5W6uzZ_7a-kTaj3JxfF-dj_G61DsvanCBADgrgcxfJSu966og==&ch=Z7AOhuM4RIfC2Bx_jdHuS8PO8fTycwYTA4lo7yKHLnvuoZPFDv_paw==) page.

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## For those who cannot attend the live conference, all conference sessions will be recorded and available on-demand shortly after the event and posted on our [**website**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rtc2h1uN6kGl3NGTxsPCkbRgyWTRcTO0X_wZGFxtG95GrPy4kgBS7RYOUlhMdseRIrZntw7Yy8g20TmEVxboo8UXpjlsTHxH7JqyP8sYdDinwTmkAPIF0pu79bb_hIkAz3doaDD0aUUGwTcaMjA1NQ==&c=do6a_5W6uzZ_7a-kTaj3JxfF-dj_G61DsvanCBADgrgcxfJSu966og==&ch=Z7AOhuM4RIfC2Bx_jdHuS8PO8fTycwYTA4lo7yKHLnvuoZPFDv_paw==) and our [**YouTube**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001rtc2h1uN6kGl3NGTxsPCkbRgyWTRcTO0X_wZGFxtG95GrPy4kgBS7cHV0vp7GVfCpnxnL5g6iXGKbseO7YNRyTvkp0ulo4WAoxFPu6yeh-gGPIWlL-0YH8dNwcnhdxjqfUrZkwwk4dVAAji2oRiRU9k_mCZWsCnjOxmRb8SyG1aT4Q8ZxUrW1uuyWqwAozAd&c=do6a_5W6uzZ_7a-kTaj3JxfF-dj_G61DsvanCBADgrgcxfJSu966og==&ch=Z7AOhuM4RIfC2Bx_jdHuS8PO8fTycwYTA4lo7yKHLnvuoZPFDv_paw==) page.

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## If you have any logistical questions about this virtual conference, please contact us at: **grants\_conference@nsf.gov**

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**NASA Proposal Development Webinar Series for Minority Serving Institutions**

**Organizer**: Quality Education for Minorities (QEM) Network

**Contact:** Afzal Hassan by email at ahassan@qem.org.

**Registration** at <https://form.jotform.com/QEMNetwork/nasa-music-webinar-series>

The Quality Education for Minorities (QEM) Network invites STEM faculty, and sponsored program directors to register for the NASA Proposal Development Webinar Series. The 7-part webinar series is designed to assist faculty and administrators at minority-serving institutions (MSIs) in increasing their understanding of, and competitiveness in, NASA’s various funding opportunities.

The webinar series will provide guidance and information to enable participants to prepare and submit competitive proposals. Individuals can register to attend all the proposal development webinars, or whichever is suitable to their needs. A list of the events can be found at the registration website <https://form.jotform.com/QEMNetwork/nasa-music-webinar-series>

On May 14, 2021, QEM will host a Q&A session with NASA program managers. During the Q&A session STEM faculty members from MSIs will have the opportunity to ask program managers about funding and collaborative opportunities within NASA for specific STEM disciplines.

## **From Fulbright: Host a Visiting Scholar through the Scholar-in-Residence Program**

## The Fulbright’s [Scholar-in-Residence (S-I-R) program](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/XXc6adqa997Wg7dFYCT9VvF2Mgfcisihe3YeuTwqKbk/3bh/vtXcf6jzR3S4KCLMaevCPg/h1/3bswpiq8KY3LsSOrfon_JmaDehdqZQ97TPGveCBNTps) provides funding and support to bring an international scholar to your institution for teaching and campus engagement for an academic semester or full year. Institutions apply to host a Scholar-in-Residence in disciplines that would benefit from a comparative or international perspective. The Fulbright Program provides J-visa sponsorship, travel, and a modest living stipend to the scholar. Fulbright Scholars-in-Residence (S-I-Rs) further internationalization efforts on U.S. campuses by:

* Teaching courses
* Advising students
* Developing curriculum
* Guest lecturing
* Developing study abroad/exchange partnerships
* Engaging the campus and local community

If interested, please complete the S-I-R interest [**survey**](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/VpDhrCrvzjOrNk6AZ3TbHh2fL9HovEj3W0oyNScYO0HqoULkPAxrNSY0b3-YFLkVYB1GE4FXYMgt9KMGWNwqsA/3bh/vtXcf6jzR3S4KCLMaevCPg/h2/W0w-bX6jJs8sQ1VZ0HXrLduD5pGJEI02l3eO1Kt4F20) no later than **May 15, 2021**, to receive information and advice regarding your institution’s interest in the S-I-R program. Please also inform our Fulbright Liaison, Dr. Daniel Weinstein at [Daniel.Weinstein@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:Daniel.Weinstein@qc.cuny.edu)

## Fulbright also encourages you to register for an upcoming [webinar](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/VpDhrCrvzjOrNk6AZ3TbHh6x3H6t56MJbxQ9Azujl0FDW3NrnEgBPQ-Yr6C-te_-Npw-0bnPhgPvevnTmq9a9g/3bh/vtXcf6jzR3S4KCLMaevCPg/h3/p1JuodXin1k8zNU1ZgFIBDJw0tlJda3vKiAUHQ30vfI). For more information, please email Sarah Causer at [SIR@iie.org](mailto:SIR@iie.org).

**Updates from NIH**

NIH Begins Implementation Foreign Influence Recommendations

As part of the government’s broader efforts to combat foreign threats to U.S.-funded scientific research, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) have announced new requirements and recommendations relating to disclosure and oversight of sources of foreign support. Compliance with the NIH requirements is required by May 25, 2021.

Also, View recommendations for research institutions to maintain compliance with federal rules on undue foreign influence at: <https://trumpwhitehouse.archives.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/NSTC-Research-Security-Best-Practices-Jan2021.pdf>

NIH's Upcoming Changes to biosketch and other support format

Click the link below to view the "Upcoming Changes to the Biographical Sketch and Other Support Format Page for Due Dates on or after May 25, 2021."

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-21-073.html>

[**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/) (Reminder)

**Date:** May 7, 2021, 12:00 - 1:00 PM

**Topic:** Humanities and Arts Funding Opportunities

**Register** at: [**https://tinyurl.com/zvtvzvtw**](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__tinyurl.com_zvtvzvtw&d=DwMFAg&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=Hd-ROfIuMzvbt_yCx1mYJw_ZV3YqoG4b2h0UNgqE2TQ&m=G_bnQ9P8pIzIzCNVRRnR_YT3zNh1JY6Byy39XLgnK5o&s=5OIOPGFw9MbP0BzC05rwP5tjhiUQuFIjvhdJF0V55x4&e=)

**Speaker:** Lisa Rhody, Deputy Director of Digital Initiatives, The Graduate Center

More information about the event series, including materials from past events, are available at the [**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar website.**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/)

**April 22, 2021**

## **Funding Information from Grant Announcement Letter (GAL)**

The April 2021 edition of the Grant Announcement Letter from the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) is now available a[**GAL-APRIL 21.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1m_7OQGOIFgy-3nRsQ_1n_dWVW0Wba9XT/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=608182a2)

**NSF Webinar on the NSF CAREER Program**

NSF is providing information on the [NSF Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) program solicitation NSF 20-525](https://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=503214) at webinars on Friday, May 14, and Thursday, May 20, 2021, starting at 1:00 pm Eastern time each day. Both webinars will include a briefing on the CAREER program and key solicitation requirements followed by a question and answer session. Prior to the webinar, you can submit questions to NSF CAREER Webinar Questions. For more information, check the NSF website at

<https://nsf.gov/events/event_summ.jsp?cntn_id=302474&org=NSF>

As many of you are aware, the NSF CAREER program supports early-career faculty who have the potential to serve as academic role models in research and education and to lead advances in the mission of their department or organization. Activities pursued by early-career faculty should build a firm foundation for a lifetime of leadership in integrating education and research.

If you wish to submit a CAREER proposal, please let us know at [yrong@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:yrong@qc.cuny.edu)

**ASRC Webinar on Communicating Your Science**

**Date:** April 30, 2021 at 2 p.m.

**Register** at [**Sign Up**](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/Corz0uGtf2hRsQ4wTvsrJIDSL4TYAU/h2mzz/436583957?h=-bm2TQ2A_gw4c4uH57bzrBnNcvbT_0mzvla3B0L8nK4)

**Description**Numerous studies have concluded that diversity and inclusion in STEM not only makes for better science, it also promotes better dissemination of scientific findings. Despite this evidence, the STEM world is struggling to diversify the faces and voices of its researchers and policymakers.

Join us for a lively webinar to learn how you can use your voice to promote diversity and inclusion. We’ll cover:

* Why diverse perspectives and voices are critical to advancing science (CUNY ASRC Exec. Dir. Nina Gray)
* How inclusion and diversity can help fix data bias (Ranjit Singh, Data & Society)
* Using your own unique experience to champion diversity in the sciences (Astrophysicist Eileen Gonzales, Ph.D. [GC, CUNY ’20], Cornell University)
* The role of diverse voices in science storytelling (Ari Daniel, NPR & Story Collider)

This event is hosted by the Graduate Center Science Communications Academy. Check their [webpage](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/2021-04-15/h2n12/436583957?h=-bm2TQ2A_gw4c4uH57bzrBnNcvbT_0mzvla3B0L8nK4) for more events and access science communications training tools.

[**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/) (Reminder)

**Date:** May 7, 2021, 12:00 - 1:00 PM

**Topic:** Humanities and Arts Funding Opportunities

**Register** at: [**https://tinyurl.com/zvtvzvtw**](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__tinyurl.com_zvtvzvtw&d=DwMFAg&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=Hd-ROfIuMzvbt_yCx1mYJw_ZV3YqoG4b2h0UNgqE2TQ&m=G_bnQ9P8pIzIzCNVRRnR_YT3zNh1JY6Byy39XLgnK5o&s=5OIOPGFw9MbP0BzC05rwP5tjhiUQuFIjvhdJF0V55x4&e=)

**Speaker:** Lisa Rhody, Deputy Director of Digital Initiatives, The Graduate Center

More information about the event series, including materials from past events, are available at the [**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar website.**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/)

**Update from the Office of Research Compliance -** Conflicts of Interest (COI) Reminder Regarding Significant Financial Interest (SFI) Disclosures

The Office of Research Compliance would like to remind the QC research community that Principal Investigators are required to submit SFI disclosures to the [Office of Research and Sponsored Programs](https://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/administration/Provost/Research/Pages/default.aspx)  before a proposal or application is submitted to an external sponsor. If the proposal or application is awarded, all other investigators on the project must submit SFI disclosures prior to the expenditure of any awards or support.

For guidance on who may be considered an investigator, check [**QC COI Investigator Guidance and Matrix 20200507.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/152bV5q67CQ8Ncy-Q9MJ85oFTQgUl7eGQ/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5ebab264)

ForSFI disclosure forms and the CUNY Conflicts of Interest policy, check <https://www.cuny.edu/research/research-compliance/conflict-of-interest/>

**April 7, 2021**

**The LACUNY Scholarly Communications Roundtable and Junior Faculty Research Roundtable**

**Topic**: Pre-Print Repositories: Taking Control of Our Work

**Time**: Apr 8, 2021, 3:30 - 5pm EST

**Register** at [Registration for this event](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__bmcc-2Dcuny.zoom.us_meeting_register_tZYkdumvqDMoEtFnJI4lgEfD2g0KpY6piFwC&d=DwMFAg&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=lG2S8HhUSxDkDlODV79C1uNN2csm1IzsXsM0rzq8Gu0&m=JL8aTd66rEYNX_nSlW-CAP102gOvvOk58txN-GYvkmA&s=bH6F5WIOKHpROTMSTNArrvlkrGhg0aXRXmkffsKmzAY&e=)

**Description** The event will be co-hosted by two round tables of LACUNY (Library Association of CUNY): the Scholarly Communication Round Table, of which Nancy Foasberg of QC Library is a co-chair, and the Junior Faculty Research Roundtable. At a time when pre-prints are in the news due to COVID-19, this panel asks what it means to be a community-owned repository for pre-prints. We will introduce pre-prints and their place in the scholarly ecosystem for those unfamiliar, and then hand the event over to speakers who can address the work of maintaining pre-print servers.

**Speakers:** Juan Pablo Alperin, Associate Faculty Director of Research for the Public Knowledge Project, an initiative developing open source software for scholarly publishing. He will discuss PKP’s new Open Preprint Systems software, which helps localized repository managers share preprints.

Vicky Rampin, co-founder of LISSA, the LIS Scholarship Archive, a disciplinary repository for library and information science scholarship. She will discuss the archive’s recent departure from the Center for Open Science in favor of a platform supporting community-owned infrastructure.

Questions on the event may be sent to Nancy Foasberg at [nancy.foasberg@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:nancy.foasberg@qc.cuny.edu)

**NSF Webinar on New Funding program LEAPS-MPS**

**Date:** April 13, 2021, 1:00pm EST

**Topic:** Humanities and Arts Funding Opportunities

**Register** at: <https://nsf.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_e1lYYrLGS3CC4FeLgxAZ5w>

**Description**. NSF will host a webinar on its new program “[Launching Early-Career Academic Pathways in the Mathematical and Physical Sciences (LEAPS-MPS)](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505892),” which aims to launch the careers of pre-tenure faculty in Mathematical and Physical Sciences fields at minority-serving institutions (MSIs), predominantly undergraduate institutions (PUIs), and Carnegie Research 2 (R2) universities, and with the goal of achieving excellence through diversity. These grants are intended to support MPS principal investigators in initiating their research programs early in their careers, particularly at the aforementioned institutions. By providing this funding opportunity, MPS intends to help initiate viable independent research programs for researchers attempting to launch their research careers such that LEAPS-MPS awards are followed by competitive CAREER or individual-investigator grant submissions that build upon the research launched through this mechanism.

Points of contact for each of the five MPS divisions are:

* Sarah Higdon (AST), telephone: (703) 292-2541, email: shigdon@nsf.gov
* Rebecca Peebles (CHE), telephone: (703) 292-8809, email: rpeebles@nsf.gov
* Guebre X. Tessema (DMR), telephone: (703) 292-4935, email: gtessema@nsf.gov
* Tomek Bartoszynski (DMS), telephone: (703) 292-4885, email: tbartosz@nsf.gov
* Edmundo J. Garcia-Solis (PHY), telephone: (703) 292-4493, email: ejgarcia@nsf.gov

**NIH Webinar on NIH Grants 101 & the Early Career Reviewer Program**

**Date:** April 14, 2021, 2:00pm EST

**Topic:** Humanities and Arts Funding Opportunities

**Register** at: <https://nihcsr.rev.vbrick.com/#/events/13ff699a-8797-475e-b653-6ce5af1a1c7b>

**Description**. This event will be hosted by the Center for Scientific Review (CSR) at the National Institutes of Health. CSR handles the review of more than 75% of NIH grant applications (~64,000 applications per year). They are holding a webinar to help investigators navigate the NIH, provide basic information on grant submission and peer review, and to let investigators know how they can gain review experience which they can then use to craft more competitive grant applications of their own. Questions may be sent in advance to: [askexperts@csr.nih.gov](mailto:askexperts@csr.nih.gov)

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**Speaker:** Lisa Rhody, Deputy Director of Digital Initiatives, The Graduate Center

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**Opportunities from DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service)**

DAAD offers a number of funding opportunities to support advanced students and faculty to do research or study in Germany. Here are some opportunities with deadlines in May. For general information on DAAD opportunities please contact Professor Spreizer, DAAD Research Ambassador of QC, at [christine.spreizer@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:christine.spreizer@qc.cuny.edu)

**German Studies Research Grant (Deadline: May 1)**

<https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/graduate-opportunities/research-grants/german-studies-research-grants/>

This specialized DAAD program offers German Studies Research Grants to highly-qualified undergraduate and graduate students who are nominated by their department/program chairs. The grant may be used for short-term research (one to two months) in Germany. The program is designed to encourage research and promote the study of cultural, political, historical, economic and social aspects of modern and contemporary German affairs from an inter- and multidisciplinary perspective.

**May 3: Short-Term Research Grant (Deadline: May 3)**

<https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/graduate-opportunities/research-grants/short-term-research-grants/>

Short-Term Research Grants are awarded for 1-6 months to highly qualified candidates who have completed a Master’s degree or Diploma, or in exceptional cases a Bachelor’s degree at the latest by the time they begin their grant supported research, or those who have already completed a PhD (postdocs).

**Research Stays for Faculty (Deadline: May 17)**

<https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/faculty/research-stays/>

﻿DAAD offers grants for one to three months in all academic disciplines to scholars at US and Canadian institutions of higher education to pursue research at universities, libraries, archives, institutes or laboratories in Germany. The aim of this particular program is to support short-term research stays and thus promote the exchange of experience and networking amongst colleagues. Grants are awarded for research and working projects and cannot be used for travel only. Airfare to Germany will not be covered and lecture tours, attendance at conferences or conventions, editorial meetings or extended guest professorships are not funded.

**Update from the Office of Research Compliance**

Check out the new look for exemptions, subparts, and expedited review categories on OHRP's Regulations pages at [www.hhs.gov/ohrp/regulations-and-policy/regulations](https://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/regulations-and-policy/regulations)

**March 26, 2021**

## **Funding Information from Grant Announcement Letter (GAL)**

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[**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/) (Reminder)

**Date:** April 2, 202112:00 - 1:00 PM

**Topic:** Grant Prospecting Strategies and Resources, using Pivot, Grant Forward and the Foundation Directory.

**Register** at: [REGISTER](https://ybephbsyus.formstack.com/forms/selecting_a_venue_for_journal_publication_copy_1_copy_copy_copy_copy_copy)

More information about the event series, including materials from past events, are available at the [**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar website.**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/)

## **Export Control and Foreign Influence Seminar for Researchers**

## **Presented by:** Fischer & Associates - Export Control Consultants

## **When:** Wednesday April 07, 2pm

## **Registration** at [https://ybephbsyus.formstack.com/forms/export\_control\_foreign\_influence\_seminar](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__ybephbsyus.formstack.com_forms_export-5Fcontrol-5Fforeign-5Finfluence-5Fseminar-5F&d=DwMFAw&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=cCNu5q9mAiSx4fTbtnCWgGsxw6paBRTh7ircemQ-xb4&m=hiAoTC-sbpp1YEBFMWPKNKBI_peryk__Sy4cK878njM&s=bxtnXVGTRF4-SVfQaH9tCtAyEOcBPmj-SuoNqdZCMRM&e=). Once registered, you will receive the zoom link to log-in.

## **Description.** The Office of Research will host this seminar which focuses on federal export compliance requirements that broadly informs CUNY researchers. In the last two years, there have been significant changes to the export control regulations that all CUNY research personnel should be aware of. In addition, federal funding agencies are currently scrutinizing "foreign influence" concerns among Higher Education institutions, prompting vigorous federal investigations into the security of federally-funded research programs. This one-hour session is designed to provide pragmatic information on helping CUNY researchers comply with these areas and will include a useful Q/A segment.

## **Why Is It Critical to Attend?** Failure to comply with export requirements can result in enforcement consequences that include severe financial penalties, federal debarment, and potentially, criminal prosecution. Failure to properly disclose certain international activities, conflicts of interest and other forms of support in relation to federal grant awards also carries severe funding and legal consequences.

**Updates to CITI Program Profiles**

CITI Program has been updated to ask for your Primary CUNY Campus in your profile. The CITI Program will automatically prompt you to update your profile if you have not logged in to CITI Program in over one year. In order to allow campuses to better track compliance, please login to CITI Program and follow the prompt to update your profile. This will provide better reporting data at the campus level.

If you have only just recently created your account in CITI Program, or just recently affiliated yourself with CUNY, you may update your profile manually by following these steps:

1. Login to [CITI Program](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__citiprogram.org_&d=DwMFAg&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=F9m2er75wMX9AiRLAhtNRW25EZ2Ik7RdEQjiDydtTqM&m=iXWT_KVXicmmbouAyv7qiHanrXkYXqlCR14mGMrenps&s=VbVl_IdG9_sbGum6xZmmTP7JwcEcMuJF3v-2ZRlDzek&e=) using your existing credentials
2. Click your name at the top-right
3. Click “Profiles”
4. Under “Institutional Profiles” click “Edit Profile” to the right of “City University of New York (CUNY)”
5. Choose your primary campus in the dropdown menu under “Primary CUNY Campus”
6. Click “Update”

If you are a new user, you will be asked for this information upon registration. For those of you who conduct research across multiple campuses, please keep in mind that you are asked to provide your primary campus. We thank you for your diligence in keeping your information up-to-date. If you have any questions about the above, please contact [hrpp@cuny.edu](mailto:hrpp@cuny.edu)

**Recruiting Study Participants at QC** Queens College shares information about opportunities for students, faculty and staff to participate in studies conducted by researchers given permission to recruit from the QC community on the [**Study Recruitment of QC website**](https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/srrc/for-participants). This site is promoted through Queens College newsletters and other announcements. See the page [**For Researchers**](https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/srrc/for-researchers) to process a request.

For your convenience, this information is also available at this website under [**Resources**](https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/resources_1?authuser=0)

**March 12, 2021**

## **Funding Information from Grant Announcement Letter (GAL)**

The Febryary 2021 edition of the Grant Announcement Letter from the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) is now available a[**GAL-FEB 21.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-Gl3tRgCkGLTm9kPPddzSJGyWD4tRCPP/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=604acd7c)

**Call for abstracts: CUNY Climate Education Conference**

The CUNY Conference on Climate Change Education (C4E) will be held on April 22-23, 2021. The call for abstracts is open until March 19, 2021.The conference is supported by a collaborative grant from the CUNY Office of Research Interdisciplinary ​Climate Crisis Research Grant program. It is free and will be held virtually. More information, including registration and abstract submission, are available at the conference website:

[https://www.laguardia.edu/C4E/](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.laguardia.edu_C4E_&d=DwMFAw&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=iBN9XmxbnIRwMHhOYjPDYQOA0JfKXetjP8SP_8aDG94&m=bKlEDMM50PRpqZvEbF_MKqVRRiXWFSYLrPKcKH-hcwA&s=IJuruYArisVdhFlQ06p3yZVVGmKnauTRu7MKHzt67wk&e=)

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The list of past and future webinars are provided below:

[NIH “R” Series Application Overview - October 16](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/#1600279219823-891ea8da-18e7)

[NSF Funding Priorities and Opportunities - November 6](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/#1600274906089-b84ca47e-dbf9)

[Launching a Faculty Scholarship Data Collection Tool In CUNYfirst- December 11](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/#1600280309043-e991a928-4334)

[Writing the NSF Broader Impacts Statements - January 15](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/#1600280905185-460eb191-8da5)

[Public and Open Access Mandates from Funders - February 5](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/#1600281106266-be94d14f-8694)

[Budgeting for Federal Agency Grants - March 5](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/#1600281383450-a4c630bc-cf03)

[Grant Prospecting Strategies and Resources - April 2](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/#1600281580098-035e98c5-1f94)

[Humanities and Arts Funding Opportunities - May 7 \*](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/#1600281742626-e749e1f7-1850)

[Boosting Your Scholarly Profile Online - June 4](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/#1600282237746-a7d6447d-d670)

## **Updates from the Office of Research Compliance**

* Mini-tutorial on Reporting Unanticipated Problems, Reporting Non-compliance, Suspensions, and Terminations is Available

These videos uses case examples to explain the concept of unanticipated problems and how to decide whether an unanticipated problem or adverse event needs to be reported to the IRB and OHRP.

View both mini-tutorials at: <http://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/education-and-outreach/online-education/mini-tutorials/index.html>

* OHRP’s Human Research Protection Training is Available

OHRP launched its online **Human Research Protection Training**, which provides foundational knowledge on protecting human subjects in research funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The training was developed for the broad research community including IRBs, investigators and key personnel, and anyone interested in the Common Rule. There is **NO COST** and viewers can print a **completion certificate** upon completing each of the 4 lessons.

<https://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/education-and-outreach/online-education/human-research-protection-training/>

* News Regarding Export Control

The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) recently announced an Administrative Settlement of $540,000 (partially suspended) with Julian Demurjian of San Francisco, CA. BIS alleged that Mr. Demurjian and CIS Project, a company that Demurjian owned and operated, caused, aided, or abetted seven violations of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR). These seven alleged violations were in connection with the submission of false or misleading information of the values of telecommunications networking equipment controlled for national security, encryption, or anti-terrorism reasons and destined for Russia.

BIS’s mission is to advance U.S. national security and foreign policy objectives by ensuring an effective export control and treaty compliance system and promoting continued U.S. strategic technology leadership. Among its enforcement efforts, BIS is committed to preventing U.S.-origin items from supporting Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) projects, terrorist activities, or destabilizing military modernization programs.

You can read the entire press release here:

<https://www.bis.doc.gov/index.php/documents/about-bis/newsroom/press-releases/2712-demurjian-press-release-ee-final-updated-occ-2021-01-27/file>

You can review CUNY policy and guidance regarding export control here:

<https://www.cuny.edu/research/research-compliance/export-control/>

**January 22, 2021**

**Funding Information from Grant Announcement Letter (GAL)**

The January 2021 edition of the Grant Announcement Letter from the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) is now available a [**GAL-JAN 21.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_t7SrI6vAJPdAZVqjWsdeYUjBTk1-fRw/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=600af03d)

**Training Events by the Office of Research Compliance**

**Human Subjects Research Information Session**

**Date**: January 27th, 2021, 12:15pm

**Invite link**: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83459325449>

**Description** The Office of Research Compliance invites faculty and staff and students to an information session on Human Subjects Research. The session will be hosted by Michael Brown, the Assistant Director for Research Compliance, and will include a presentation on human research protections program (HRPP) ethics and compliance and Institutional Review Board (IRB) submissions followed by a Q&A. If you are interested in attending, please join the following Zoom meeting. Please remember to mute yourself upon entering.

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83459325449>

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Meeting ID: 834 5932 5449

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kg8dZjJ9A>

**Conflicts of Interest Information Session**

**Date**: February 3, 2021, 12:15pm

**Invite link**: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83459325449>

**Description** The Office of Research Compliance invites faculty and staff and students to an information session on Significant Financial Interests (SFIs) Conflicts of Interest (COI). The session will be hosted by Michael Brown, the Assistant Director for Research Compliance, and will include an overview and guidance for compliance with COI policies as related to sponsored projects, nepotism, and assigning works for purchase in the classroom. The presentation will be followed by a short Q&A. If you are interested in attending, please join the following Zoom meeting. Please remember to mute yourself upon entering.

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Meeting ID: 836 5162 8906

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/k4eSxghMN>

**January 13, 2021**

**CUNY Junior Faculty Award in Science and Engineering**

**Deadline:** February 5, 2021, 12:00 pm EST

The CUNY Junior Faculty Research Award in Science and Engineering program (JFRASE) aims to cultivate excellence and ensure the promise of research-intensive early career science and engineering faculty at CUNY. All untenured tenure-track junior faculty who have a promising and innovative research program in the life sciences, physical sciences, social sciences, mathematics, or engineering are eligible and encouraged to apply. Awards are for $50,000.

For more information visit the [**JFRASE website**](https://maestro.cuny.edu/trk/click?ref=zqtbwp23f_2-2030x37c84x022533&)**.** Complete the JFRASE application [**H**](https://maestro.cuny.edu/trk/click?ref=zqtbwp23f_2-2030x37c85x022533&)[**ERE**](https://maestro.cuny.edu/trk/click?ref=zqtbwp23f_2-2030x37c86x022533&).

**ASRC 2021 NSF CAREER Bootcamp Program**

**Deadline:** Jan 19, 2021, 5pm EST

The Sponsored Programs Office at the Advanced Science Research Center (ASRC) is pleased to announce its NSF CAREER Bootcamp Program for the 2021 CAREER Award cycle. The ASRC CAREER Bootcamp Program is open to all *eligible* CUNY ***tenure track assistant professor***s. Tenure track assistant professors who meet the following criteria (as of July 27, 2021) are eligible to apply for the NSF CAREER award and to the Bootcamp:

* Hold a doctoral degree in a field supported by NSF;
* Be engaged in research in an area of science, engineering, or education supported by NSF;
* Hold at least a 50% tenure-track (or tenure-track-equivalent) position as an assistant professor (or equivalent title);
* Be untenured as of the proposal submission deadline (July 26, 2021).
* Have not previously received a CAREER award. (Prior or concurrent Federal support for other types of awards for non-duplicative research does not preclude eligibility.) Have not previously submitted 3 CAREER proposals

Information about the ASRC CAREER Bootcamp and the application is available here:[**https://asrc.formstack.com/forms/nsf\_career\_award\_bootcamp\_application\_2021**](https://asrc.formstack.com/forms/nsf_career_award_bootcamp_application_2021)A flyer for the program is available at[**https://asrc.gc.cuny.edu/content/uploads/media/global-assets/NSF-CAREER-Bootcamp-2021-Flyer-121021.pdf**](https://asrc.gc.cuny.edu/content/uploads/media/global-assets/NSF-CAREER-Bootcamp-2021-Flyer-121021.pdf)

[**The CUNY Interdisciplinary Research Grant**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/interdisciplinary-research-grant-program/)is due January 15, 2021, 12:00 pm EST

[**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/)

**Date:** January 15, 202112:00 - 1:00 PM

**Topic:** Writing the NSF Broader Impacts statement

**Speakers:** Joshua Brumberg, Dean for the Sciences, Graduate Center

John Tsapogas, Director, Office of Award Pre-Proposal Support, Research Foundation

**Register** at: [https://tinyurl.com/ydyy7gf3](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__tinyurl.com_ydyy7gf3&d=DwMFAg&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=Hd-ROfIuMzvbt_yCx1mYJw_ZV3YqoG4b2h0UNgqE2TQ&m=I7ZBsaaZvw6AhL70QWmMWUoRIlPOQNZ4t4DHuzwcctA&s=2AoURNPtb667ODX4a_6UOEvtAl4FhlONyPRgI9u8_a4&e=)

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**Updates from the Office of Research Compliance**

[**Final NIH Data Sharing Rule Published**](https://blog.primr.org/final-nih-data-sharing-rule/)

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-21-013.html>

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has issued the final NIH Policy for Data Management and Sharing (DMS Policy) to promote the management and sharing of scientific data generated from NIH-funded or conducted research. This Policy establishes the requirements of submission of Data Management and Sharing Plans (hereinafter Plans) and compliance with NIH Institute, Center, or Office (ICO)-approved Plans. It also emphasizes the importance of good data management practices and establishes the expectation for maximizing the appropriate sharing of scientific data generated from NIH-funded or conducted research, with justified limitations or exceptions. This Policy applies to research funded or conducted by NIH that results in the generation of scientific data.

**U.S. Announces Designation of Cuba as a State Sponsor of Terrorism**

The US government's recent designation subjects Cuba to sanctions that penalize persons and countries engaging in certain trade with Cuba, restricts U.S. foreign assistance, bans defense exports and sales, and imposes certain controls on exports of dual use items. Please review CUNY's Export Control Policies at: <https://www.cuny.edu/research/research-compliance/export-control/>

Read more at:

<https://www.state.gov/u-s-announces-designation-of-cuba-as-a-state-sponsor-of-terrorism/>

**December 18, 2020**

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**Updates from NIH**

**New Funding Opportunity from NIH to Replace the SCORE ProgramF**

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has recently announced that it will publish a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) to solicit applications for research as part of the Support for Research Excellence (SuRE) Program.The SuRE Program is replacing the SCORE Program. Two distinct funding opportunity announcements will be used to support research projects led by faculty investigators at different career stages. A third SuRE funding opportunity announcement will support a national resource center to provide infrastructure development to SuRE-eligible institutions and application services to faculty investigators. The FOA is expected to be published in early Spring 2021 with an expected application due date in late Spring 2021. Additional information can be found at

1. [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-GM-21-003.html](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fgrants.nih.gov%2Fgrants%2Fguide%2Fnotice-files%2FNOT-GM-21-003.html&data=04%7C01%7CJohn_Tsapogas%40rfcuny.org%7Cd8bad2b34a00422985e308d8a07aaf72%7C4c0b46f44b2e48fca71e80b002bd00c1%7C0%7C0%7C637435796123581269%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=rGN6OhU7vhJDaf1mZ2fmhbXd5AJZwfVTBqFLSUMxyrU%3D&reserved=0)
2. [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-GM-21-008.html](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fgrants.nih.gov%2Fgrants%2Fguide%2Fnotice-files%2FNOT-GM-21-008.html&data=04%7C01%7CJohn_Tsapogas%40rfcuny.org%7Cd8bad2b34a00422985e308d8a07aaf72%7C4c0b46f44b2e48fca71e80b002bd00c1%7C0%7C0%7C637435796123581269%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=1dXQPLl2aVvXcpxGtqBVT2jx92RgTIzVtfX1zrI91XY%3D&reserved=0)
3. <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-GM-21-009.html>

**Implementation of a Two-factor Authentication Requirement for External Reviewers**

NIH is implementing a two-factor authentication requirement for external reviewers. NIH/eRA and its partner agencies are now expanding the use of two-factor authentication via login.gov for all external user communities that access eRA’s external modules including Commons, Commons Mobile, Internet Assisted Review (IAR) and ASSIST. Beginning soon, NIH/eRA and its partner agencies will require all external users to only use login.gov to access eRA’s external modules including Commons, Commons Mobile, IAR and ASSIST. More information is available at <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-21-040.html>

**Einstein Foundation Award for Promoting Quality in Research**

**Website:** <https://www.einsteinfoundation.de/en/award/>

**Deadline:** March 31, 2021 (10:00 pm CET, which is 4:00pm EST).

**Contact:** For questions, please contact Dr. Ulrike Pannasch at: [up@einsteinfoundation.de](mailto:up@einsteinfoundation.de)

**Description** The international Einstein Foundation Award for Promoting Quality in Research is the first prize to recognize outstanding efforts that enhance the rigor, reliability, robustness, and transparency of research. The Einstein Foundation will award up to €500,000 annually to stimulate awareness and activities fostering research quality among scientists, institutions, funders, and politicians. The Einstein Foundation will honor successful candidates in the following three categories:

1. **I Individuals:** Individual researchers or small teams of collaborating researchers can be nominated. The laureate will be awarded €200,000.00.
2. **II Institutions:** Governmental and non-governmental organizations, institutions, or other entities can apply or be nominated. The award-winning organization or institution will receive €200,000.00. Successful governmental organizations or institutions will not receive any funds in addition to the award itself.
3. **III Early Career Researchers:** Early career researchers or small teams of collaborating researchers can submit a project proposal that seeks to foster research quality and value for an award of €100,000.00.

Further details on the award, including eligibility and nomination/application process, are available at <https://www.einsteinfoundation.de/en/award/>

**Events and Materials from Past Events**

[**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/) (Reminde)

**Date:** January 15, 202112:00 - 1:00 PM

**Topic:** Writing the NSF Broader Impacts statement

**Speakers:** Joshua Brumberg, Dean for the Sciences, Graduate Center

John Tsapogas, Director, Office of Award Pre-Proposal Support, Research Foundation

**Register** at: [https://tinyurl.com/ydyy7gf3](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__tinyurl.com_ydyy7gf3&d=DwMFAg&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=Hd-ROfIuMzvbt_yCx1mYJw_ZV3YqoG4b2h0UNgqE2TQ&m=I7ZBsaaZvw6AhL70QWmMWUoRIlPOQNZ4t4DHuzwcctA&s=2AoURNPtb667ODX4a_6UOEvtAl4FhlONyPRgI9u8_a4&e=)

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**Materials from the NSF Virtual Grants Conference,** available at <https://nsfpolicyoutreach.com/sessions/>

**Gentle Reminders**

[**The CUNY Interdisciplinary Research Grant**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/interdisciplinary-research-grant-program/)is due January 15, 2021, 12:00 pm EST

**NSF MRI Submission** If any of you is interested in pursuing this opportunity, please inform Dr. Daniel Weinsten, Dean of MNS, at [daniel.weinstein@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:daniel.weinstein@qc.cuny.edu)

**December 9, 2020**

| **Interdisciplinary Research Grant**  **Sponsor:** CUNY Office of Research  **Deadline:** January 15, 2021, 12:00 pm EST  **Website**: [HERE](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/interdisciplinary-research-grant-program/)  **Description** The CUNY Office of Research will make an investment in collaborative research in two significant research areas: **COVID-19 and climate change**. We invite proposals that will deliver COVID-19 or climate change solutions that help pave the road to recovery for our region and beyond.  Our best course of action for addressing these urgent scientific and societal challenges is to work across disciplines in a convergent manner. Innovative solutions spring from teams of faculty who have different research backgrounds. This program will provide seed-funding for projects that combine expertise across disciplines, and which are geared toward providing a pathway to NEW external funding. This pathway should be clearly laid out in submitted proposals. There should be, at minimum, two investigators: the lead PI and at least one Co-PI from different disciplines and ideally from different CUNY colleges, schools, and centers.  It is anticipated that this program will fund up to eight (8) COVID-19 research projects and eight (8) climate change research projects with budgets not exceeding $40,000 each. $300,000 in Research Foundation funds and $300,000 in tax-levy funds have been designated for this grant program. Award announcements will be made in February 2021. Further information and submission materials are available [**HERE**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/interdisciplinary-research-grant-program/)  In order to ensure proper paperwork, please contact Poline Papoulis of the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs at [Poline.Papoulis@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:Poline.Papoulis@qc.cuny.edu) if you plan to pursue for this opportunity.  **Limited Submission Opportunity**  Some of us may be interested in the [NSF Major Research Instrumentation Program (MRI)](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5260) Program, which serves to increase access to multi-user scientific and engineering instrumentation for research and research training in our Nation's institutions of higher education and not-for-profit scientific/engineering research organizations. Each performing organization may submit in *revised* “Tracks” as defined below, *with no more than two submissions in Track 1 and no more than one submission in Track 2*.   * Track 1: Track 1 MRI proposals are those that request funds from NSF greater than or equal to $100,0001 and less than $1,000,000. * Track 2: Track 2 MRI proposals are those that request funds from NSF greater than or equal to $1,000,000 up to and including $4,000,000.   The submission window is January 1, 2021 - January 19, 2021  If any of you is interested in pursuing this opportunity, please inform Dr. Daniel Weinsten, Dean of MNS, at [daniel.weinstein@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:daniel.weinstein@qc.cuny.edu)  **Updates from the Office of Research Compliance**  **New OHRP Mini-tutorial on Reporting Unanticipated Problems Available**  This short video uses case examples to explain the concept of unanticipated problems and how to decide whether an unanticipated problem or adverse event needs to be reported to the IRB and OHRP. View the mini-tutorial video at: [**www.hhs.gov/ohrp/education-and-outreach/online-education/mini-tutorials/index.html**](https://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/education-and-outreach/online-education/mini-tutorials/index.html)  **Self-Serve Training by Role Resources on OHRP’s Website**  OHRP has updated their self-serve training resources for investigators. Now you can get a list of collected resources with helpful information and keep the list handy for quick reference. You can access these resources on our website at: [**www.hhs.gov/ohrp/education-and-outreach/human-research-protection-program-fundamentals/index.html**](https://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/education-and-outreach/human-research-protection-program-fundamentals/index.html) |
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**Date:** December 11, 202012:00 - 1:00 PM

**Topic:** Launching a Faculty Scholarship Data Collection Tool In CUNYfirst

**Register** at:[**Here**](https://ybephbsyus.formstack.com/forms/launching_a_faculty_scholarship_data_collection_tool_in_cunyfirst)

Materials from the November event on NSF Funding, including [Slides](https://www.cuny.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/page-assets/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/NSF-funding-friday-11.6.2020-Final.pdf) and [Video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8X6T2NK9TGg), are available at the [**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar website.**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/)

**NSF DMREF Webinar**

**Date:**  December 15, 2020, 11:00am EST.

**Registration:** <https://nsf.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_5f8sDfbWRF2AUzQahsw3sw>

**Description.** The NSF Designing Materials to Revolutionize and Engineer our Future (DMREF) Management Team representing several NSF Divisions will be hosting a webinar scheduled for December 15, 2020 starting at 11:00 AM Eastern Time. This will focus on the program Designing Materials to Revolutionize and Engineer our Future (DMREF), described in the NSF program solicitation [NSF 21-522](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505073). Any members of the community who are interested in this funding opportunity are invited to participate in the webinar. Please register in advance for this webinar: <https://nsf.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_5f8sDfbWRF2AUzQahsw3sw>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**Materials from the NIH 2020 Virtual Seminar** available at <https://grants.nih.gov/virtual-seminar-2020/presentations.html>**.**

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**November 20, 2020**

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**Updates from the Office of Research Compliance**

**Amendments to Cuban Assets Control Regulations**

The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is amending the Cuban Assets Control Regulations to further implement portions of the President's foreign policy toward Cuba to deny the Cuban regime sources of revenue. Specifically, this rule: Adds a new prohibition for persons subject to U.S. jurisdiction regarding lodging and related transactions at certain properties in Cuba identified on a new list maintained by the State Department, and amends an interpretive provision and several general licenses to incorporate this new prohibition; amends four general licenses to restrict the importation into the United States of Cuban-origin alcohol and tobacco products; amends a general license to remove the authorization for persons subject to U.S. jurisdiction to attend or organize professional meetings or conferences in Cuba; and removes a general license that authorizes persons subject to U.S. jurisdiction to participate in or organize certain public performances, clinics, workshops, other athletic or non-athletic competitions, and exhibitions, and replaces it with a specific licensing policy. You can view the federal register announcement here: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/09/24/2020-21084/cuban-assets-control-regulations>

**Annotated Version of the Common Rule Now Available**

OHRP has posted an annotated version of the revised Common Rule on its website. This annotated comparison of the two versions of the Common Rule indicates all changes and provides additional information about provisions that have moved to another location, and where to find them in the 2018 Common Rule.Find the online annotated comparison at**:** <https://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/regulations-and-policy/regulations/annotated-2018-requirements/index.html>

**NYC DOE Guidance on Resuming or Starting Department of Education Research During the 2020-2021 Academic Year**

The purpose of this guidance is to outline criteria for conducting research in NYC DOE physical and/or virtual sites and/or with NYC DOE staff, students or families during the 2020-2021 academic year.

In the interest of minimizing the burden on NYC DOE staff, students and families during this challenging time, the NYC DOE IRB will require all researchers conducting non-essential or non-COVID-19-related research to demonstrate an anticipated tangible direct benefit associated with their study or to otherwise offer a justification for conducting the research during this academic year. It is recommended that research designated as non-essential, non-COVID-19-related, or that does not carry a direct tangible benefit to participants be postponed until the resumption of normal operations.

[**NYC DOE IRB 2020-2021 academic year research guidance**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EE8sMDFg7EQW_8niw_8RuhGISMSa7tHaFlRc86NU3T8/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5fb73ba5)

**German Academic Exchange Service (Daad) Call For Applications**

For those not familiar with this organization, this updated info video outlines its most popular programs:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2r-2wqHahQY>

**University Summer Course Grants**

This program provides scholarships to attend a broad range of three- to four-week summer courses at German universities, which focus mainly on German language and literary, cultural, political and economic aspects of modern and contemporary Germany.

Apply by December 1, 2020 (CET - Central European Time).

For more information see:

<https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/undergraduate-opportunities/university-summer-course-grant/>

**RISE Germany**

RISE (Research Internships in Science and Engineering) Germany offers undergraduate students from North American, British and Irish universities the opportunity to complete a summer research internship at top German universities and research institutions.

Apply by December 15, 2020 (11:59 pm CET – Central European Time).

For more information see:

https://www.daad.de/rise/en/rise-germany/about-the-program/

**RISE Professional**

RISE (Research Internship in Science and Engineering) Professional offers summer research internships in Germany to Master’s and PhD students from North America at companies and non-university research institutions with strong relations to industry.

Apply by December 15, 2020 (11:59 pm CET – Central European Time).

For more information see:

<https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/graduate-opportunities/rise-professional/>

For general information on DAAD opportunities please contact Professor Spreizer at [christine.spreizer@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:christine.spreizer@qc.cuny.edu)

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**Materials from the NIH 2020 Virtual Seminar**

Earlier, we informed you about the NIH 2020 Virtual Seminar in October, and subsequently posted the notes at [**Note from the NIH Virtual Seminar 2020**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qGBcsyjwGeefT4qY2Hc0xWIdFlrIW4PX-vXZYIsJOBU/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5fa07161). Now you can also access the videos, slides and transcripts at the NIH Presentation Page <https://grants.nih.gov/virtual-seminar-2020/presentations.html>**.**

**November 5, 2020**

**Notes from the NIH Virtual Seminar 2020​**

The 2020 [NIH Virtual Seminar on Program Funding and Grants Administration](https://grants.nih.gov/news/contact-in-person/seminars.htm) was held during October 27-30, 2020 (see our last Research Updates). Poline Papoulis of the Office or Research and Sponsored Programs​ has kindly shared the notes she took from the event. This is available at

[**Note from the NIH Virtual Seminar 2020**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qGBcsyjwGeefT4qY2Hc0xWIdFlrIW4PX-vXZYIsJOBU/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5fa07161)

It can also be navigated online at [**https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/resources\_1?authuser=0**](https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/resources_1?authuser=0)

**Call for Applications: Artists-in-Berlin Program**

The DAAD Artists-in-Berlin Program is one of Europe’s most prestigious grants. Each year around 20 visual artists, writers, filmmakers, composers and sound artists are invited to Berlin to focus on their work and engage with the city’s vibrant art scene. Writers, filmmakers and composers/sound artists are encouraged to apply now through December 1, 2020.

For more information, see:

<https://www.berliner-kuenstlerprogramm.de/en/stipendien.html>

Or contact Professor Christa Spreizer at [Christine.Spreizer@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:Christine.Spreizer@qc.cuny.edu)

**Reminders:**

[**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/)

**Date:** November 6, 202012:00 - 1:00 PM

**Topic:** NSF Funding Priorities and Opportunities

**Register** at:[**Here**](https://ybephbsyus.formstack.com/forms/selecting_a_venue_for_journal_publication_copy_1)

**CUNY-wide Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Workshop**

**Date**: November 10, 2020 10:00 AM – 12:00 noon

**Register** at [**HERE**](http://maestro.cuny.edu/trk/click?ref=zqtbwp23f_2-1f50x37a25x022589&)

**NIH SCORE Whitepaper,** due: November 15. Details available at

[**Call for white papers for the NIH SCORE Submission**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DbH5D5Sm1Dkmd3HHe7g6dmZQ5vztbIBw/view?ts=5f864e06)

**October 23, 2020**

**Funding Information**

As indicated earlier, we are now working with ORSP to include the Grant Announcement Letter (GAL) here. We thank Benjamin Signore of ORSP for putting things together. The October 2020 edition of the Grant Announcement Letter is available at [GAL-OCT 20.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1M-x7AL2aPUEeKdbz2OqY9wm4MSEeWFia/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5f92e12a)

**Events**

**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar**

**Date:** November 6, 202012:00 - 1:00 PM

**Topic:** NSF Funding Priorities and Opportunities

**Speakers:** Tamera Schneider Associate Vice Chancellor for Research, CUNY John Tsapogas Director, RF APPS

**Register** at:[**Here**](https://ybephbsyus.formstack.com/forms/selecting_a_venue_for_journal_publication_copy_1)

The link to the Zoom meeting will be provided after registration.

For more information about the entire series please visit:

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**Description.** The webinar is aimed primarily at incoming doctoral students but all CUNY students, faculty, administrators and post-docs are welcome to attend. The webinar will outline good research practices. The topics covered include the fabrication of data, plagiarism, the correct author credit on publications, the relationship between mentors and trainees, the control of data, conflicts of interest and more. These topics are important in every field and will apply to situations that arise throughout a career in research.

**Webinar Events by Funding Agencies**

[NSF Virtual Office Hours on Broader Impacts and Broadening Participation with ARIS](https://www.nsf.gov/events/event_summ.jsp?cntn_id=301227&WT.mc_id=USNSF_13&WT.mc_ev=click)

Join BIO program officers in a discussion of Broader Impacts with guest speaker Susan Renoe from the NSF-supported Center for Advancing Research Impact in Society (ARIS)

Register [here](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJlbWFpbCI6Im1pY2hhZWwuYnJvd25AcWMuY3VueS5lZHUiLCJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoiMTAyIiwic3Vic2NyaWJlcl9pZCI6IjExNTIxNzE0NTMiLCJsaW5rX2lkIjoiMTA2NzY0OTMzMyIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpkaWdlc3QiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL25zZi56b29tZ292LmNvbS93ZWJpbmFyL3JlZ2lzdGVyL1dOX0k5ZTJMX1RNUmJtdTlOTlhKOUgxSmciLCJidWxsZXRpbl9pZCI6IjIwMjAxMDE5LjI4OTc1NTgxIn0.WvGJOhFW0O7_H3am6BEcAWMTVkszz2qbjiPXUJ2dNEI) and select the November 18, 2020 option from the drop-down selection.

More information available at NSF [Virtual Office Hours](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJlbWFpbCI6Im1pY2hhZWwuYnJvd25AcWMuY3VueS5lZHUiLCJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoiMTAwIiwic3Vic2NyaWJlcl9pZCI6IjExNTIxNzE0NTMiLCJsaW5rX2lkIjoiMTA2NzY0OTMyMSIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpkaWdlc3QiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5uc2YuZ292L2V2ZW50cy9ldmVudF9zdW1tLmpzcD9jbnRuX2lkPTMwMTIyNyZXVC5tY19pZD1VU05TRl8xMyZXVC5tY19ldj1jbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMDEwMTkuMjg5NzU1ODEifQ.ea9VZVOI2PXx1Sz_sqVRYrisOfRubRdPlKp9J5E0SK4)

[2020 NIH Virtual Seminar on Program Funding and Grants Administration](https://grants.nih.gov/news/contact-in-person/seminars.htm)

Registration, which is currently closed for the live seminar, will re-open October 31– November 19, 2020 to allow for universal access to all seminar materials on the site. By November 20, all presentations will be available on the [**NIH Grants YouTube channel**](https://www.youtube.com/user/nihgrants).

**Gentle Reminder**

If you wish to submit for the next round of NIH SCORE proposal in January 2021, please keep in mind about our internal deadline of November 15 for the whitepaper. Details are available at

[**Call for white papers for the NIH SCORE Submission**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DbH5D5Sm1Dkmd3HHe7g6dmZQ5vztbIBw/view?ts=5f864e06)

**October 15, 2020**

[**Call for white papers for the NIH SCORE Submission**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DbH5D5Sm1Dkmd3HHe7g6dmZQ5vztbIBw/view?ts=5f864e06)

Once again, we are asking for your white papers for the selection of the next round of NIH SCORE submissions. Details of this announcement can be found at [**SCORE Call for Proposals 2020Fall.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DbH5D5Sm1Dkmd3HHe7g6dmZQ5vztbIBw/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5f864e06)

As some of us are aware, NIH sponsors the [Support of Competitive Research (SCORE) program](https://www.nigms.nih.gov/Research/DRCB/SCORE/), a research capacity building program that seeks to increase the research competitiveness of faculty at eligible institutions. Such eligibility conditions may be established by the current NIH R01 funding level, mission statement or historical track records in graduating students from groups nationally underrepresented in biomedical research with B.S./B.A., M.A., M.S. or Ph.D. degrees in biomedical-related sciences.

Following the recommendation of NIH, we formed the QC SCORE Committee in Spring 2020 to solicit "white papers" aiming at SCORE submissions from QC faculty, recommend which white papers will be moved forward, and assist the selected PIs with their SCORE submissions. The committee completed the tasks for the May 2020 submissions, and is now continuing the efforts for the next round of submissions in January 2021.

To be considered for the Queens College SCORE grant submission, please submit a "white paper" to the Chair of the SCORE Committee, John Dennehy <John.Dennehy@qc.cuny.edu> by **Sunday, November 15, 2020.** After that, we will inform you the decisions by November 20, 2020.

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Please also notice that, in a previous Research Updates, we have provided you the required document for institutional information, available at:

[QC Institutional Info for NIH SCORE 2020Jan.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1a7RrbY_-izT3PhNoIYCgt2VnW5m5MaF-/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5e3c40a6), or

<https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/resources_1?authuser=0>

**Events**

**2020 CUE Conference and the CUNY OER Showcase. “OER to Open Pedagogy: Teaching and Learning Empowered”**

**Dates:** October 29 - 30, held virtually

**Register** at [HERE](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.eventbrite.com_e_2020-2Dcue-2Dconference-2Dand-2Dcuny-2Doer-2Dshowcase-2Dregistration-2D123728833271&d=DwMFAg&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=Hd-ROfIuMzvbt_yCx1mYJw_ZV3YqoG4b2h0UNgqE2TQ&m=-MMskH2JK2IcAluhekXaRqHjBmkxGPJ1PRp8G3wxtEQ&s=y_lIGDVreyaL10tkY4QsPYMaWkIHnAwj2kjmplG-TN4&e=)

**Description** Over the last 3 years, CUNY has developed a national and international reputation in the field of Open Education Resources (OER). Faculty, staff, and students at CUNY are helping to push forward open educational practices and leading the charge to revolutionize undergraduate education.

In order to highlight this important work, the Office of Undergraduate Studies and the Office of Library Services are joining forces to co-host the 2020 CUE Conference and the CUNY OER Showcase. “OER to Open Pedagogy: Teaching and Learning Empowered” will be held virtually on October 29th and 30th.

This year’s conference seeks to feature the transformative work being done in higher education at CUNY. The two keynote speakers are Drs. Robin DeRosa and Rajiv Jhangiani. For more information, go to the registration page below.

Register [HERE](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.eventbrite.com_e_2020-2Dcue-2Dconference-2Dand-2Dcuny-2Doer-2Dshowcase-2Dregistration-2D123728833271&d=DwMFAg&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=Hd-ROfIuMzvbt_yCx1mYJw_ZV3YqoG4b2h0UNgqE2TQ&m=-MMskH2JK2IcAluhekXaRqHjBmkxGPJ1PRp8G3wxtEQ&s=y_lIGDVreyaL10tkY4QsPYMaWkIHnAwj2kjmplG-TN4&e=)

**Reminder on the next CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar**

**Date:** October 16, 202012:00 - 1:00 PM

**Topic:** NIH Funding Priorities and Opportunities

**Speaker:** J. Brandon Begarly Director of Research and Sponsored Programs, Lehman College

Register at:

<https://ybephbsyus.formstack.com/forms/selecting_a_venue_for_journal_publication_copy>

The link to the Zoom meeting will be provided after registration.

For more information about the entire series please visit:

<https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/>

**Funding Opportunities**

We continue to update our list of [**Funding Opportunities**](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1EPvD7eLos3dWszc-7geGkBgBmiZZ9r0qloeQDpcYxLY/edit?usp=sharing). At the same time, we are planning to work with the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs to include their Grant Announcement Letter (GAL) that was sent by Benjamin Signore. We expect that to begin in our next edition of Research Updates.

**Submitting NSF proposals via Research.gov using TeX/LaTeX files**

This is a message from NSF concerning warning messages when submitting NSF proposals via Research.gov using TeX/LaTeX files. Our Office of Research and Sponsored Programs will work with you to ensure smooth submissions from you. Please read the updated changes in the NSF PAPPG 20-1 to make sure your documents are compliant.

<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappg20_1/sigchanges.jsp>

*The National Science Foundation has implemented additional automated compliance checking in Research.gov for project descriptions as of 10/5/2020. One of the compliance checks is for font size. Currently, files prepared using TeX/LaTeX will generate warnings when submitted to Research.gov because of the way PDF files are processed. We believe that these warnings will be gone next year. For the time being, the warnings will not prevent proposal submission.*

*In case you’re interested in the details, please read on. Roughly speaking, in word processing programs, when an 11 pt font size is used, a subscript is still in 11 pt type, just shrunk down a bit when it is printed to a screen or on a printer. In typesetting programs like TeX, when an 11 pt typeface is used, a subscript is set using 9 pt type. The smaller type size in a PDF file triggers the warning because the compliance-checking software can’t tell what is a subscript and what isn’t.*

*A similar issue can generate an error regarding the required Broader Impacts heading. Depending on the LaTeX input, the compliance checking software may not realize that “Broader Impacts” is indeed on a line by itself when the PDF file is printed.*

*Again, for the time being, these warnings will not prevent proposal submission.*

**Reminder on Sponsored Research Administration Compliance**

The Queens College Offices of Research Compliance and Research and Sponsored Programs would like to remind investigators that fraudulent use of funds which is a violation of federal and institutional policies and procedures. Please see recent New York Post article titled "Ex-Stony Brook professor gets prison time for stealing cancer research funds."

<https://nypost.com/2020/10/06/ex-stony-brook-prof-gets-prison-time-for-stealing-cancer-research-funds/> In this case funds were issued from NIH. NIH, along with other federal agencies, have policies on fraud, waste and abuse using grant funds. See 2.3.10 the NIH Grants Policy Statement: Fraud, Waste, and Abuse of NIH Grant Funds

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps/html5/section_2/2.3.10_fraud__waste_and_abuse_of_nih_grant_funds.htm>.

CUNY also has a policy guide ON General guidance on Sponsored ResearchAdministration Compliance at The City University of New York (CUNY)

<https://www.cuny.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/page-assets/research/research-compliance/sponsored/guidance/General-Guidance-on-Research-Administration-Handbook-Version-1.pdf>. The Research Foundation of CUNY also reviews expenses and requests documentation post award to prevent cases such as these at CUNY.

**September 18, 2020**

**CUNY Faculty Funding Fridays webinar**

Every month, the CUNY Office of Research is offering a faculty research development webinar in collaboration with the Research Foundation Office of Award Pre-Proposal Support and the Office of Library Services. The webinars will take place on Zoom. Information of the first event is below.

**Date:** September 25, 202012:00 - 1:00 PM

**Topic:** Selecting a venue for journal publication

**Speaker:** Megan Wacha, Scholarly Communications Librarian, Office of Library Services

Tracey Revenson, Professor of Psychology at Hunter College and Editor-in-Chief of the Annals of Behavioral Medicine

**Description** This webinar will support faculty researchers to make informed decisions when selecting a journal to publish their work. Content will include how to find and evaluate potential journal venues (including the identification of predatory publishers), as well as understanding one's rights as an author when negotiating contracts.

Please register at:

[https://ybephbsyus.formstack.com/forms/selecting\_a\_venue\_for\_journal\_publication](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__ybephbsyus.formstack.com_forms_selecting-5Fa-5Fvenue-5Ffor-5Fjournal-5Fpublication&d=DwMGaQ&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=Hd-ROfIuMzvbt_yCx1mYJw_ZV3YqoG4b2h0UNgqE2TQ&m=n-FRvZgoJqpqDPbIG_kwv-ZRoIrW_MVXLzmtp-KOmoY&s=HVCvMz7bfdVt9bykCD87_UdigmYBCxLo2XTv-7JJDEs&e=)

The link to the Zoom meeting will be provided after registration.

For more information about the entire series please visit:

<https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/funding-fridays/>

**Broadening Participation: 2020 NSF MPS Workshop for New Investigators**

**Date:** Nov. 9-10, 2020

**Registration website**: <http://reg.conferences.dce.ufl.edu/Physics>

**Description.** Hosted by the NSF Directorate for Mathematical and Physical Sciences (MPS) and University of Florida, this workshop is for new and future Principal Investigators. New researchers, assistant professors, and exceptional postdocs considering academic career are encouraged to apply. Investigators from underrepresented groups in STEM are especially encouraged to apply. Due to the current COVID-19 situation, this workshop will be online for one and a half days on November 9 and 10, 2020. The main goals of the workshop is two-fold: (1) to provide prospective Principal Investigators who have just received their first award or who are considering applying for funding from the MPS programs with valuable information and advice on the policies, procedures, and opportunities available at NSF, (2) to train a pool of future reviewers and encourage volunteering to review as a way to learn about NSF process. In addition to informational presentations on various topics relevant to the future PI’s, all participants will go through full mock panel review processes in breakout sessions.

**Funding Opportunities**

Our list of funding opportunities is available in the spreadsheet [**Funding Opportunities**](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1EPvD7eLos3dWszc-7geGkBgBmiZZ9r0qloeQDpcYxLY/edit?usp=sharing). Two featured funding opportunities are below.

**Featured Funding Opportunity:** [International Research Experiences for Students](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505656)

**Sponsor:** NSF

**Due Date:** November 9, 2020 (for Track II, Advanced Studies Institutes), November 12, 2020 (for Track I: IRES Sites).

**Description.** The International Research Experiences for Students (IRES) program supports international research and research-related activities for U.S. science and engineering students. The IRES program contributes to development of a diverse, globally engaged workforce with world-class skills. IRES focuses on active research participation by undergraduate and/or graduate students in high quality international research, education and professional development experiences in NSF-funded research areas. This solicitation features two mechanisms: Track I: *IRES Sites* (IS) projects engage a group of undergraduate and/or graduate students in active high-quality collaborative research, in principle at an international site with mentorship from researchers at a host lab; Track II: *Advanced Studies Institutes* (ASI**)** are intensive short courses with related activities that engage advanced graduate students in active learning and research at the frontiers of knowledge. ASIs typically range in length from ten to twenty-one days and, in principle, must be held outside the United States. For all IRES proposals, PIs are strongly encouraged to outline virtual, hybrid or other alternative approaches to strengthen and maintain international collaboration in the event travel is not undertaken, and/or in addition to travel.

**Featured Funding Opportunity:** [Research Coordination Networks in Undergraduate Biology Education (RCN-UBE)](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505495)

**Sponsor:** NSF

**Due Date:** January 19, 2021.

**Description.** The RCN-UBE program supports the formation of networks of educators, researchers, and other stakeholders that improve undergraduate biology. Among other things, award funds can be used to develop community standards, address interdisciplinary topics, explore collaborative technologies, promote the exchange of information and resources, build community, integrate research and education, and minimize duplication of efforts. The theme of an RCN-UBE proposal can be any topic likely to enhance undergraduate biology education. RCN-UBE awards do not support existing networks or the activities of established collaborations and do not support primary research. The program accepts two types of proposals:

* Full proposals: up to $500,000 for up to five years; 15-page (maximum) project description
* Incubator proposals: up to $75,000 for one year; 8-page (maximum) project description

*Those interested in learning more about the program should sign-up (*[*here*](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RCN-UBE)*) to be on the RCN-UBE mailing list so that they can receive program announcements, information on webinars and reviewing opportunities, etc.* You have a choice between two informational webinars:

Thursday, 15 October at 3:00 p.m. ET

Friday, 16 October at noon ET

If you intend to participate in any of the webinars, you can start sending questions about the program you would like answered during the October sessions [here](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RCNUBEquestions).

**August 27, 2020**

**ASRC Fall 2020 Grantsmanship 101 Bootcamp**

The CUNY ASRC (Advanced Science Research Center) is now accepting registrations for the Fall 2020 Grantsmanship 101 Bootcamp. This 10-week bootcamp will help PIs with conceptualizing their research, developing a competitive grant proposal, and situating the proposal within the context of a research career/trajectory. Priority will be given to CUNY assistant professors in all fields encompassed either by the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health, or the Departments of Defense, Energy, or Education. However, NIH proposals are not the focus of this bootcamp. The bootcamp is highly recommended for tenure track faculty who expect to apply for NSF’s CAREER award and have not yet successfully applied for NSF funding.

* [Bootcamp applications](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/ms-asrc-grantsmanship-101-2020/f4m13/320236416?h=BEAzP2vRNZJL1ubihch5dFhUx6IKGoqij_95go7-g98) are due by Thursday, September 3 at 5 p.m.
* Additional information may be found on the [ASRC Grantsmanship 101 Bootcamp website](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/grants-bootcamp-101/f4m15/320236416?h=BEAzP2vRNZJL1ubihch5dFhUx6IKGoqij_95go7-g98).

**Updates from our Office of Research Compliance (ORC)**

We have made a small change on the name of this office, from “Office of Regulatory Compliance” to “Office of Research Compliance.” The new name is a better reflection of scope of this office.

**Updates from the Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP)**

The Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP) has updated its Decision Charts to reflect the revised Common Rule requirements. These graphic charts are designed to help you decide if an activity is research involving human subjects that must be reviewed by an institutional review board (IRB) and whether informed consent, or documentation of informed consent, can be waived. Check out the updated decision charts at: <https://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/regulations-and-policy/decision-charts/index.html>

PLEASE NOTE: You should contact the Queens College Office of Research Compliance to help guide you in deciding whether or not a particular project is considered human subjects research and if it requires HRPP/IRB review. These decisions should not be made solely by investigators.

OHRP has also posted a list of contacts for non-Department of Health and Human Services Common Rule departments and agencies to assist with reporting incidents to departments and agencies for research supported by them. For the contact information of non-HHS departments or agencies not included in the table, please contact that funding department or agency. The list can be accessed at: [**https://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/compliance-and-reporting/common-rule-agencies-contacts/index.html**](https://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/compliance-and-reporting/common-rule-agencies-contacts/index.html)**.**

Please contact the Office of Research Compliance and the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs for information and guidance regarding required reporting.

**July 2, 2020**

**Funding Opportunity**

Google’s [exploreCSR](http://research.google/outreach/explore-csr) awards support universities to host computer science research (CSR) workshops in order to increase the number of students from underrepresented groups pursuing CS graduate studies and research careers. Awards are eligible to university faculty (up to $18,000 in the first year), with funding intended to be used in the academic year the award is provided. exploreCSR aims to promote collaboration within and across institutions and organizations as contributors design the research workshops and sustained support for students. Applications **close July 30, 2020 at 11:59:59pm PDT. For more information, check** Google’s [exploreCSR](http://research.google/outreach/explore-csr) website, or contact [exploreCSR@google.com](mailto:exploreCSR@google.com).

**Materials from the Webinar “CUNY & Pivot: Finding COVID-19 Funding Opportunities”**

Following the webinar “CUNY & Pivot: Finding COVID-19 Funding Opportunities” on June 11, we now have following follow-up materials provided by RF, including

[**https://youtu.be/GVItbfmdhKo**](https://youtu.be/GVItbfmdhKo)

additional training broken down by topic are available below

* [**Getting Started with Pivot**](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLE7D7FC99D1C8F04B)
* [**Working with Pivot Funding Opportunities**](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLnGJ0ZFPuFYVFrXddmcyK5ws3L_xEf_z2)
* [**Working with Pivot Profiles**](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLnGJ0ZFPuFYWLKlUm-rbLxdrBo-YdFQt2)

**Materials from the Webinar “COVID-19 Research Opportunities for Faculty" (this was posted in our previous Res Updates)**

Following the webinar “COVID-19 Research Opportunities for Faculty” on May 28, we now have following follow-up materials provided by RF, including

1. The YouTube recording of the webinar itself: [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qj6voSf76rY**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qj6voSf76rY)
2. Handout materials from the webinar (see attached). This includes the slide deck itself, as well as an up-to-date listing of COVID-19 research opportunities that expand on the grants named directly in the presentation.

[**CUNY COVID19 Research Funding Webinar-5-28-2020\_FINAL**](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1qUzcJa_u9-5FwEAJFUqw3dlQGyA0P8JD9KKBtIF1baA/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5ed8f182)

**CAREER Deadline extended**

NSF has extended the CAREER deadline to August 11, 2020. As indicated earlier, we have started a mentoring program for those who intend to apply. If you plan to apply but have not contacted me, please let me know at [yrong@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:yrong@qc.cuny.edu).

**June 10, 2020**

**Framework for CUNY Phasing in of On-Site Research (Follow Up from CUNY)**

Following the message on this in our last Research Updates, CUNY now has the following update today, which indicates that New York State now moved Higher Education Research into the first phase (rather than the expected second phase) of the region’s reopening. Details are in the message, which we added to this document:

[**Framework for CUNY Phasing in of On-Site Researc**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HRgUx-x1X4KbwjiImEkX4uiO_oEC9PERdSRiFRYW7ns/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5ed90d01)

In addition, the New York State guidance for reopening research in higher education is here:

[**HigherEdResearch\_ShortGuidelines NYS.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/14a2SVyfT88UKgUdOkc16DsPjVR3QyxG8/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5ee102ae)

**Supplemental Funding for Virtual REU**

This is a message from Dr. John Tsapogas of CUNY Research Foundation for those interested in a virtual REU with their existing NSF grants.

The pandemic has created huge problems for existing NSF grants especially for those providing research experiences for undergraduate students. There are a large number of active NSF grants across CUNY with research experiences for undergraduates. Many of these experiences occur in the summertime. I am concerned that these summer internships will not occur due to the COVID-19 global pandemic. These internships are important steps in students’ careers, particularly in the STEM fields, and the loss of internship opportunities will significantly impact their career trajectories. The COVID-19 pandemic has also impacted students by abruptly moving them to online learning. Faculty and students have expressed concerns regarding the loss of summer internships. They are critical steps in their academic preparation and source of income. We would like to find a way to maximize the number of experiential learning opportunities for STEM students this summer.

I have been working with faculty at CCNY to do this but we all recognize that this is a concern for students across CUNY. We should be thinking of assessing the implementation of summer training and/or research programs that could host remote summer internships. We believe that NSF will be receptive to this. However, a supplemental funding request can only be made if the PI thinks it is required for their project and each individual PI submits a request to their respective NSF program officer for approval. I have prepared and attached a short write-up that can be used as a template by the PI to prepare a preliminary request for a supplement to their existing grant asking the NSF Program Officer whether they will entertain a supplement to fund virtual REUs. We should check and see whether they are willing to provide this type of support before the PIs go through the effort of preparing a formal request. Please let me know if I am duplicating efforts already underway. I want to be helpful to prevent a potential loss of these valuable research experiences to students across CUNY.

The template is available at <https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/media/2543/guidance-on-requesting-supplemental-funding-for-virtual-reu.pdf>

**Updates from the Office of Regulatory Compliance**

The Queens College Office of Regulatory Compliance has recently updated its webpage to include new and current information, guidance, and links related to all areas of research compliance. This includes human subjects research, animal research, conflict of interest, export control, biosafety, responsible conduct of research and research-related agreements.

You can visit the site here:

<https://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/administration/Provost/ORC/Pages/default.aspx?/>

**June 4, 2020**

**Framework for CUNY Phasing in of On-Site Research**

This is part of the CUNY Academic Continuity Guidance that was communicated from CUNY central on June 4, 2020. It serves as a framework for the planning for revamping research. The details for reopening the campus, and in particular research, will be worked out by a QC Task Force Committee following guidelines from CUNY. We will continue to keep you updated on this.

[Framework for CUNY Phasing in of On-Site Research](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HRgUx-x1X4KbwjiImEkX4uiO_oEC9PERdSRiFRYW7ns/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5ed90d01)

**“COVID-19 Research Opportunities for Faculty" Follow-Up Materials**

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1. The YouTube recording of the webinar itself: [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qj6voSf76rY**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qj6voSf76rY)

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**Webinar “CUNY & Pivot: Finding COVID-19 Funding Opportunities”**

**Date/Time:**  Thursday, June 11, 2020 3 - 4 pm

**Sign Up:**  [**Register**](https://proquestmeetings.webex.com/mw3300/mywebex/default.do?nomenu=true&siteurl=proquestmeetings&service=6&rnd=0.08401844627147703&main_url=https%3A%2F%2Fproquestmeetings.webex.com%2Fec3300%2Feventcenter%2Fevent%2FeventAction.do%3FtheAction%3Ddetail%26%26%26EMK%3D4832534b000000041e91b84470f2bbe90917a109a29d618dea0f1f8c5c299aaab11356c587d0ac8f%26siteurl%3Dproquestmeetings%26confViewID%3D162425624199205132%26encryptTicket%3DSDJTSwAAAAQVozP9SKZxbRegA44G05vL-Fam3xrfoTaWOmH6G2oeOw2%26)

**Description** This session, presented by Pivot staff at ProQuest, will provide a live demo of how to discover, save, and manage funding opportunities on Pivot, with special focus on COVID-19.

**Funding Opportunities**

Joint DMS/NIGMS Initiative to Support Research at the Interface of the Biological and Mathematical Sciences

**Weblink:** <http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5300>

**Subnmission Window**: September 1, 2020 - September 18, 2020

**Description** This program is designed to support research in mathematics and statistics addressing important questions in the biological and biomedical sciences. Successful proposals are expected to address clearly stated biological/biomedical questions, make a compelling case for and develop innovative mathematical/computational/statistical methods or integrate disparate mathematical/computational/statistical fields, and articulate a well-defined plan for the mathematics or statistics to drive biological/biomedical discovery within the funded period. The joint DMS/NIGMS initiative offers two submission tracks:

* Track 1 - for projects with a total budget of up to $600,000 and an award duration of 3 years, and
* Track 2 - for projects with a total budget of up to $1,200,000 and award duration of 3-4 years.

**Gentle Reminder: NSF CAREER Mentoring Program**

As indicated in our previous Research Updates, we are planning to organize an NSF CAREER Mentoring program. A webinar is being planned for Tuesday, June 9, 4-5:30pm. If you are interested in joining, either as a junior faculty interested in the program or as a past CAREER recipient who can share your experience, please sign up at

[**NSF CAREER Workshop Sign Up**](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeqs0BsxjqhRd8aIJmCyyMMYBK1u1pKRKaSrbdOw-vDW9Qjqw/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&usp=mail_form_link)

**May 27, 2020**

**NSF CAREER Mentoring Program**

In an effort to help our junior faculty with their proposal submissions to the NSF CAREER program, we are planning to organize an NSF CAREER Mentoring program starting early June. The program will consist of activities such as presentations, discussions, mock reviews on all aspects of the CAREER proposal preparation. All junior faculty who are eligible to apply for CAREER awards are encouraged to participate. Previous recipients for CAREER awards can offer their help in many ways, e.g. by sharing their successful proposals (talk to me for details), participating in the events / discussions, or providing comments on draft proposals. All activities will be conducted remotely using google classroom at [https://classroom.google.com](https://classroom.google.com/u/)

If you are interested in participating in the program, or if you can offer help as a previous CAREER recipient, please enter your basic information at our webform

[**NSF CAREER Workshop Sign Up**](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeqs0BsxjqhRd8aIJmCyyMMYBK1u1pKRKaSrbdOw-vDW9Qjqw/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&usp=mail_form_link)

**Funding Opportunities**

### **DoD Research and Education Program**

**Deadline:** Aug. 28, 2020

**Weblink:** <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=327228>

**Award Size**: $100k - 600k

**Description** This is the Department of Defense Research and Education Program for Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority-Serving Institutions (HBCU/MI) that provides Equipment/Instrumentation.

Because QC can submit no more than three proposals, please let us know by June 15 if you wish to apply.

### **STEM Education and Workforce Program**

**Deadline:** Aug. 28, 2020

**Weblink:** <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=326757> or

[N00014-20-S-F005](https://www.onr.navy.mil/-/media/Files/Funding-Announcements/BAA/2020/N00014-20-S-F005.ashx) at <https://www.onr.navy.mil/en/work-with-us/funding-opportunities/announcement>s

**Award Size**: Up to $750k for three years.

**Description** This program is administered by the Office of Naval Research (ONR) and is aimed at STEM workforce development for US Navy and Marine Corps.

## **CUNY Public Interest Technology – University Network grant challenge**

CUNY is pleased to announce the Public Interest Technology – University Network grant challenge for year 2. Similar to last year, there will be an internal CUNY competition, which will result in the selection of the top three applications for submission to the Network. Details regarding CUNY’s internal competition are included in the announcement

[**PIT-UN Challenge 2020 Announcement 5.14.2020.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1aGr-kMeVGbfa-SmBZ93iatZndilo9e6T/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5ebec473)

**Webinar on COVID-19 Research Opportunities for Faculty, hosted by RF**

**Date/Time:**  May 28, 2020 at 2:00 PM EDT.

**Sign Up:**  [Sign Up](https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8933402640344566285)

**Description** Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, federal agencies and private foundations have devoted substantial grantmaking resources to help mitigate its impact. CUNY's talented researchers, located in the pandemic's epicenter, are well-equipped to compete for this funding and produce crucial breakthroughs in health, STEM, and social science disciplines. This webinar will provide a brief overview of the COVID-19 grant landscape by covering key agencies, philanthropies, and innovation research opportunities. In addition, research development resources available to all CUNY faculty will be discussed.

# **Update from NSF on Biosketch and Current and Pending Documents**

In our previous Research Updates (on April 1, 2020), we informed you of the new NSF requirement for biographical sketch and current and pending support based on the new NSF Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (NSF 20-1), which was to be effective on June 1, 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the ensuing stress on proposers, NSF has decided to delay the requirement to use NSF-approved formats for the [biographical sketch](https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/biosketch.jsp) and [current and pending support](https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/cps.jsp) sections of NSF proposals until October 1, 2020. Proposers must continue to format these documents in accordance with the current PAPPG requirements (see PAPPG sections [II.C.2.f](https://nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappg20_1/pappg_2.jsp#IIC2f) and [II.C.2.h](https://nsf.gov/pubs/policydocs/pappg20_1/pappg_2.jsp#IIC2h)). NSF encourages the community to use the new formats in order to provide valuable feedback to enhance them for future implementation.

**May 12, 2020**

## **CUNY Public Interest Technology – University Network grant challenge (May 15, 2020)**

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## **Webinar by GrantForward on COVID-19 Research Opportunities (added May 15,2020)**

GrantForward will be hosting a webinar on Wednesday, May 20 at 12pm EST about using GrantForward to discover different kinds of COVID-19 research opportunities. The content will cover both GrantForward best practices as well as COVID-19 specific searching. All prospective attendees can register [**here**](http://service.grantforward.com/webinar/signup)**.**

## **Message Associate Vice Chancellor for Research**

Dr. Tamera Schneider, CUNY Associate Vice Chancellor for Research, has sent a message to the CUNY Research Community. And notice the plan for webinars

on funding opportunities for Covid-19 related research. This letter can be viewed at

[**AVC Research Letter to the CUNY Research Community.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1BEeUqHX6FovTNPUWWxukVKYSR8R8Vwns/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5ebaad46)

## **IMLS CARES Act Grants for Museums and Library Services**

**Deadline:** June 12, 2020

**Award Amount:** $25,000 - $500,000; average anticipated amount is $150,000;

**Description.** [IMLS CARES Act Grants for Museums and Libraries](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fr20.rs6.net%2Ftn.jsp%3Ff%3D001Wv710Lwmoj7gYALJvxWX4AifMDvqkObWjiG4DlelMEIK9bsO0ggPe-qAnwFQ7JtxLfZ0fP4RXOU7M07SXmwtZ6-oLJsRqIE-nCxU_O9zmMEsFFXebrIGAyJ9dKwIS1JScCtSOwqCFmiiPbHtuyf5exhRoEOGoiSEjV6LaAeU2Eyuz8mHBO_i3q_3LgivjVQzYtejuNyV08sW5eMGrFngsZv5j3lTYJpW%26c%3DUbMFoWSqmHj55WrE4Lpja832CVmuFayUPy80EIEoznF87EsX3RXz2Q%3D%3D%26ch%3Djud94jeit9OcYGSnZCVeDnkMZU2OZBn7JsU6vPhU77MTZMx0QAFqUQ%3D%3D&data=01%7C01%7CDaniel_Siepmann%40rfcuny.org%7C0aed776b679749cfdb9808d7f38e7ff4%7C4c0b46f44b2e48fca71e80b002bd00c1%7C0&sdata=2b9dcSMHnJSXZlQ2gXPqXjJVIXrfEaKc8RF%2FhoXmfYk%3D&reserved=0) supports museums and libraries in addressing their communities’ immediate and future needs caused by the pandemic. Projects may focus on preserving jobs, training staff, addressing the digital divide, planning for reopening, or providing technical support and capacity building for digital inclusion and engagement. Applicants are encouraged to prioritize services for high-need communities. More details can be found from the email from Dan Siepmann of RF

[**IMLS CARES Act Grants for Museums and Library Services 2020May**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ufoPH9hXhpM4TqIl_IvoEn6k9rloh6b8uwBqf3_VnMA/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5ebaa0ec)

## **Updated QC COI Guidance**

Following the updated CUNY COI Policy that we informed you earlier (see our [Res Updates 2020 April 30)](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1deo0LTqXQ9_Iu3JPDSOTTGgXTBogVvSU7x0rSj4y_3k/edit?usp=sharing), we have now updated our QC guidances, written by Michael Brown, Assistant Director for Research Compliance. These include

* [**QC Nepotism Info Sheet 2020507.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1AlD5A45jj3oJCdBGsTZG89tNlSZDPB7R/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5ebab259)A guideline for nepotism in hiring, employment, supervisory responsibility, and contracting (updated May 7, 2020)
* [**QC COI Investigator Guidance and Matrix 20200507.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/152bV5q67CQ8Ncy-Q9MJ85oFTQgUl7eGQ/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5ebab264)A conflict of interest guidance on identifying ‘investigators’ (updated May 7, 2020)

Both documents are available on our Research Updates website at

[**https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/resources\_1**](https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/resources_1)

## **Gentle Reminder**

Webinar for the NSF CAREER program, Wednesday, May 13, 2020, starting at 2:00 pm

Register at [**https://nsf.gov/events/event\_summ.jsp?cntn\_id=300458**](https://nsf.gov/events/event_summ.jsp?cntn_id=300458)

If you wish to submit a CAREER proposal, please let us know at yrong@qc.cuny.edu

**April 29, 2020**

# **NSF CAREER Submission Plan**

Many of you are aware of the [NSF Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Program](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=503214), which offers the most prestigious awards from NSF in support of early-career faculty who have the potential to serve as academic role models in research and education and to lead advances in the mission of their department or organization. Activities pursued by early-career faculty should build a firm foundation for a lifetime of leadership in integrating education and research. To be eligible, the proposer must meet all of the following eligibility requirements as of the annual deadline:

* Hold a doctoral degree in a field supported by NSF;
* Be engaged in research in an area of science, engineering, or education supported by NSF;
* Hold at least a 50% tenure-track (or tenure-track-equivalent) position as an assistant professor (or equivalent title);
* Be untenured; and
* Have not previously received a CAREER award. (Prior or concurrent Federal support for other types of awards for non-duplicative research does not preclude eligibility.)

The deadline for the submission is July 27, 2020.

NSF will hold a webinar on Wednesday, May 13, 2020, starting at 2:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time to provide information on the CAREER program. For more information and to register for the webinar, please see: [**https://nsf.gov/events/event\_summ.jsp?cntn\_id=300458**](https://nsf.gov/events/event_summ.jsp?cntn_id=300458)

**If you wish to submit a CAREER proposal, please let us know at** [**yrong@qc.cuny.edu**](mailto:yrong@qc.cuny.edu)

[**NY CARES: Emergency Relief Grants​**](https://humanitiesny.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=cbab662e49213348b8506dfc7&id=03a99e2121&e=21c5a7928c)

Today, the Humanities New York releases new grant guidelines to distribute CARES Act funding to New York cultural nonprofits affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Nearly a million dollars in funding will be made available, in the form of small grants up to $20,000, which will reach every region of New York. This new grant opportunity complements the [NEH CARES](https://humanitiesny.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=cbab662e49213348b8506dfc7&id=eabeb58908&e=21c5a7928c) act funding opportunity, which offers relief grants of up to $300,000 to many larger organizations across the country and in New York. HNY CARES Emergency Grants will be focused on organizations with a core humanities mission. Application guidelines are available now on the [HNY website](https://humanitiesny.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=cbab662e49213348b8506dfc7&id=03a99e2121&e=21c5a7928c). The deadline for applying for funding is May 15th, with applicants being informed of funding decisions by June 15th, 2020.

**Updated CUNY COI Policy**

The CUNY Board of Trustees recently approved the revised version of the CUNY Conflict of Interest Policy on March 30, 2020 and it is effective immediately. Major revisions to the policy include:

1. **The** [**CUNY** **COI policy**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1a0dxAy9jFmsXIHf7p8y69tyVKx-uhTno/view?usp=sharing) **is now applicable to all sponsored projects**, and not limited to sponsored research. This means that [SFI disclosure forms](https://www.cuny.edu/research/research-compliance/conflict-of-interest/) are required to be submitted for all projects or activities involving research, creative activity, training, instruction or service undertaken within or on behalf of the University pursuant to funding or other support from an External Sponsor. These must be submitted with your grant application to the Queens College Office of Sponsored Projects.
2. Only the PI is required to submit disclosures at the time of proposal, however, all other investigators are required to do so before expenditure of any funds. See section 8.15 of the COI policy for the definition of investigator.
3. Nepotism rules and waiver processes are now streamlined to be consistent for hiring for both the Research Foundation and CUNY.

In the coming weeks, the Office of Research at CUNY Central will be revising the language and documents on the [CUNY Research Compliance website](https://www.cuny.edu/research/research-compliance/conflict-of-interest/), updating SFI disclosure forms, and issuing official guidance based on the revised policy. I will disseminate this information as soon as I receive it. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Michael Brown

Assistant Director for Research Compliance

**April 10, 2020**

# **New NSF Requirement for Biosketch and Current and Pending Documents**

In our Research Updates on December 20, 2019, we alerted you about the upcoming new NSF requirement for biographical sketches by NSF. The new NSF [Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG) NSF 20-1](https://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf20001&org=NSF) is now available, and will be effective for proposals submitted or due on or after June 1, 2020. Use of an NSF-approved format for the biographical sketch as well as Current and Pending supporting document will be required. The only approved formats for creating such documents are either SciENcv or NSF Fillable PDF. More details are available at these two NSF websites. The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs will work with you to ensure that you will meet this new requirement.

* [NSF-Approved Format fro the Biographical sketch](https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/biosketch.jsp)
* [NSF-Approved Formats for the Current and pending Support](https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/cps.jsp) ​

**NSF Webinar Events**

Noyce Proposal Preparation Webinars

* [First webinar](https://www.workcast.com/register?cpak=5717716833503158) on April 28th from 12:30-2:00 PM ET and will focus on Track 1: Scholarships and Stipends, Track 2: Teaching Fellowships, Track 3: Master Teaching Fellowships, and Capacity Building.
* [Second webinar](https://aaas.us16.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e36c17fc89d5b87585f5b7804&id=11cef5d723&e=3377d04eda) on **April 30th from 4:00-5:30 PM ET** will focus on Track 4: Research.

Webinar on Research vs. Evaluation in S-STEM Proposals. This webinar provides an overview of education evaluation and research which can inform project improvement and knowledge generation. It took place on March 30, but you can view the recording at <https://www.sstem.aaas.org/webinars>

**COVID-19 Related Funding Opportunities for Arts, Culture, and Humanities**

This is a list of opportunities compiled by the CUNY Research Foundation Award Pre-Proposal Support (APPS) unit. It is available on RF website at <https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/media/2499/guidance-to-arts-and-culture-pis-on-covid-19.pdf>

In addition, the following remarks from RF provide additional background.

1. We updated the relief funding advisory for arts and culture faculty with many new opportunities. Please find this document attached. In addition, this document is updated on the RF website [here](https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/media/2499/guidance-to-arts-and-culture-pis-on-covid-19.pdf).

Please note: faculty and other affiliated arts staff are now eligible for the U.S. Small Business Administration’s [Paycheck Protection Program](https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/paycheck-protection-program-ppp#section-header-4) if they are also “self-employed” as a single-member LLC or independent contractor.

1. As you may know, the NEH and NEA each received $75M from the CARES Act to help rescue the arts, culture, and humanities sectors. Each federal agency will re-grant about half of the money to state and local agencies (e.g. [NYSCA](https://arts.ny.gov/), [DCLA](https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dcla/index.page), [Brooklyn Arts Council](http://www.brooklynartscouncil.org/), [Humanities NY](https://humanitiesny.org/)), who will then make smaller grants to individuals and organizations in turn. These mechanisms have yet to be set-up – please stay tuned for further notification. However, the *other half* of the CARES Act money for arts, culture, and humanities will be available as direct grants from these federal agencies:
   1. The NEH has yet to announce its guidelines for direct grants. APPS will be in touch when those are announced.
   2. The NEA *has announced* its [CARES Act grant program](https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/CARES/grant-program-description)! Importantly, only past awardees from the NEA’s FY17-FY20 grant cycles are eligible to submit an application to this mechanism.

(Note: ORSP is already in touch with our potential eligible group on this opportunity).

**CUNY 2020 Research in the Classroom Grant Extended Deadline: Friday, May 29, 2020**

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the application deadline, the timeframe of the workshop, and the applicable semesters have been changed. The new application deadline is Friday May 29, 2020. Please see the attached guidelines for additional information. More information is available at <http://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/research-in-the-classroom/>

**Guidance for Submitting Amendments to IRB Ideate Protocols to Adhere with CUNY COVID-19 Guidance for Research**

Research Design>>Methodology>>As the first statement in the section, please include a statement that says that you will "avoid direct interaction with research participants (for recruitment, consenting, data collection and other) until CUNY Guidance regarding Human Subjects Research during the COVID-19 outbreak has been relaxed or removed." Then include a short description of any online, telephone, or video conferencing methods that will be employed while the CUNY COVID-19 Guidance for Research is in place. This can be done in lieu of revising large sections of already approved protocols to detail each and every change to the project. It will also reduce the need for investigators to submit another amendment to change their entire IRB protocol back to how it existed before the CUNY COVID-19 Guidance for Research was issued (once it has been removed and relaxed).

If you need to add an oral/internet consenting option, this should be done via the Consent tab in Ideate.

Please see <https://www.cuny.edu/research/> for more information.

From Michael Brown, Assistant Director for Research Compliance

**Follow up on the Research Against COVID-19 Call to Action Webinar**

Some of us have attended the Webinar on Research Against COVID-19 on Tuesday, April 7. Here is a follow up message from ASRC.

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for joining over 100 participants yesterday from 22 institutions and 15 companies during our [Research Against COVID-19 Call to Action Webinar](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/about-sensor-cat-/d1zzz/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM). You can [watch the webinar](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/im8TGrow-feature-youtu-be-t-53/d2112/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM) on our YouTube channel and [read more](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/-fast-track-covid-19-research-/d2114/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM) about the event.

We’d like to remind you again that New York City needs your help! Please help us find 30,000 pieces of these pressure sensors to finalize the ventilator design desperately needed to treat afflicted patients: (1) Honeywell, [SSCDRRN100MDAA5](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/-qs-hJWeRtKz5UrqmDUTGBk8sQ3D3D/d2116/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM) (preferred) or (2) Honeywell, [HSCDRNN100MDSA5](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/-hscdrnn100mdsa5-44005015-html/d2118/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM).

Contact Tavis Ezell (tezell@gc.cuny.edu) to discuss how your research can be used to fight against and protect us from the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, please check out the resources that were mentioned during the webinar below and email us if you’d like to share anything else with our ASRC Sensor CAT community.

Stay safe,

ASRC Sensor CAT Team

[Sign up](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/about-sensor-cat-/d1zzz/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM) to receive updates and events notifications from us (bottom of webpage)!

# **Sharing Resources From Scientists to Healthcare**

Providing PPE to underserved healthcare workers and organizations in NYC: <http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/2020-04-08/d211b/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM>

Getting PPE to our Healthcare Heroes: <http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/2020-04-08/d211d/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM>

COVID-19 National Scientist Volunteer Database: <http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/2020-04-08/d211g/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM>

**New Funding Opportunities (some COVID-19 related)**

Emergent Ventures: [Fast Grants](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/2020-04-08/d211j/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM)

NSF: [Rapid Response Research](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/Cw9UuEOfse8q6UI5cO30A9zbdpI-e-/d211l/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM), [Dear Colleague Letter](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/7xvl2tdy-X2PFlTjv--RamIQJO0-e-/d211n/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM), [Dear Colleague Letter for SBIR/STTR](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/-mc-id-USNSF-25-WT-mc-ev-click/d211q/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM)

NIH: [Administrative Supplements (quick additional funding)](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/iA9nIj2zaqSgvodCrszBZ-9zIR8-e-/d211s/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM), [grants for PIs holding NIH research grants](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/1Fn8t1fsTV4S8OUgYvcAbjNmTps-e-/d211v/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM), [NIAID Coronavirus Funding Initiatives](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/jE58k3TB916oYIZfTeaNrAs3G2g-e-/d211x/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM), more [general information](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/yy9WEykjG1o1ifqKSmDY-IZpgdU-e-/d211z/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM), and

<https://grants.nih.gov/policy/natural-disasters/corona-virus/history-update.htm>

DOD: [Newton Award for Transformative Ideas during the COVID-19 Pandemic](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/-ns3MVfg286exweJJDK0C59pzp4-e-/d2122/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM)

White House: [Call to Action to the Tech Community](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/ine-readable-covid-19-dataset-/d2124/253717127?h=eVSxaz9DR4vgauF3S_ehzRpB3ldlDHWREjydmLfxOvM)

CDC: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=320733>

Opportunities in Arts, Culture, and Humanities <https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/media/2499/guidance-to-arts-and-culture-pis-on-covid-19.pdf>

Grant Announcement Letter (GAL)[GAL-MARCH 20.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1q5UZ8dikX--VnDFZrIuAFGtyrFj_stsT/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5e90e3bd)

**Weblinks related to COVID 19**

NSF FAQs: <https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20053/nsf20053.jsp#q9>

NIH FAQs: <https://www.nih.gov/health-information/coronavirus>​

CUNY official guidance for COVID 19: <https://www.cuny.edu/coronavirus/>

QC website for Key Updates and Resources related to COVD 19:

* <https://www.qc.cuny.edu/StudentLife/services/health/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx>

RF Guidance for PIs and Employees (added March 12, 2020)

RF has updated their coronavirus guidance for PIs and employees through RF. Please see links below which also link to COGR Guidance that includes FAQs for NSF and NIH:

* <https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/about/announcements/coronavirus-guidance/>
* <https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/learning-resources/covid-19-guidance/workplace-guidance-related-to-covid-19-for-field-staff/>
* <https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/learning-resources/covid-19-guidance/covid-19-event-guidance-and-faqs-for-cuny-pis/>
* <https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/learning-resources/covid-19-guidance/rfcuny-remote-work-guidelines-for-the-covid-19-event/>

[**COVID-19 Resources for Applicants and Recipients of NIH Funding**](https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2020/03/13/covid-19-resources-for-applicants-and-recipients-of-nih-funding/)

* Due to the potential exceptional impact of the declared public health emergency, we want to assure our recipient community that NIH will be doing our part to help you continue your research. See a video message from Dr. Mike Lauer discussing the flexibilities available for applicants and recipients. [**Continue reading →**](https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2020/03/13/covid-19-resources-for-applicants-and-recipients-of-nih-funding/)

[**Guidance for NIH-Funded Clinical Trials and Human Subjects Studies Affected by COVID-19**](https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2020/03/17/guidance-for-nih-funded-clinical-trials-and-human-subjects-studies-affected-by-covid-19/)

* For details on expanded flexibilities, such as mid-project period extensions and administrative supplements for unanticipated costs, see [**NOT-OD-20-087**](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-087.html)**.** [**Continue reading →**](https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2020/03/17/guidance-for-nih-funded-clinical-trials-and-human-subjects-studies-affected-by-covid-19/)

[**NIH Late Application Policy, Administrative Flexibilities, and FAQs Related to 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)**](https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2020/03/11/nih-late-application-policy-and-faqs-related-to-2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/)

* When delays occur because the applicant or recipient organization is officially closed or unable to submit grant applications due to the effects of COVID-19, the NIH will consider accepting applications late, on a case-by-case basis. [**Continue reading →**](https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2020/03/11/nih-late-application-policy-and-faqs-related-to-2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/)

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[**Institutional and Agency Responses to COVID-19 and Additional Resources**](https://www.cogr.edu/institutional-and-agency-responses-covid-19-and-additional-resources?fbclid=IwAR1bMF7zctAXeSNoCvmRFUnsqMZwSUwQ9j03vodXwSwRStMsZhCwVFJ3PsI)

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[**Office of Human Research Protections (OHRP) issued “OHRP Guidance on COVID-19**](https://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/regulations-and-policy/guidance/ohrp-guidance-on-covid-19/index.htm)

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**March 27, 2020**

**CUNY Guideline For Research Continuity**

This is the lated guideline from CUNY Research Office, updated on Mar 26, 2020 at 4pm. See details at

[**Research Continuity - Mar 26, 2020**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xIOInUrksapd4FdzkToJ7YzG6wY571f8Jj4KxIPRCEg/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5e7e2618)

**PSC-CUNY and QC Internal Awards**

Given the impact of COVID-19, some colleagues have asked if the PSC-CUNY awards can be extended. This issue has been discussed by the CUNY Office of Research and PSC, and as a result we expect an extension of six months for the Cycle 50 awards (currently ending on June 30, 2020). Details will be communicated to the PIs by the RF. For Cycle 51 competitions, the funding decisions are expected to be announced in mid-May. For the Queens College Research Enhancement awards, the award decisions are expected to be made in April. For our [Epsilons awards](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jbTE9GgL71xaztvfEza7ItVzc51Wcgot/view?ts=5db5b10d), we will accept applications throughout the year as usual.

**Community Engagements**

**Webinar on Research Against COVID-19 by NY Industry & Academic Partnerships**

**Date:** Tuesday, April 7, 2:00 pm

**Registration**: [bit.ly/2UCuLgX](http://bit.ly/2UCuLgX)

**More information at** [CAT COVID19 Webinar.png](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ko96a5uvR97_deGnDuhyHDoNUG2OXgix/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5e7e5e0a)

**Helping the Community**

​The NYC Health + Hospitals has proposed a “Recruitment Call to Action,” (see attached) asking local colleges and universities to provide immediate assistance in identifying and contacting key potential resources, including:

* Students to assist patients with the activities of daily living and hygiene.
* Faculty to support students when they are on-site at our healthcare facilities.
* Faculty to assist with training.
* Licensed registered nurses to handle tele-health outreach, including registration.

If you can offer help or suggestion, please let me know at [yrong@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:yrong@qc.cuny.edu)

**External Funding**

**NIH SCORE Submission**

Earlier, we extended the deadline for NIH SCORE whitepaper to March 23. We have learned that some colleagues are still overwhelmed with COVID-19 issues. If you wish to submit but missed the deadline, please communicate with John Dennehy (John.Dennehy@qc.cuny.edu) for a possible additional extension.

**Updates from Funding Agencies, including Funding Opportunities**

NIH has updates its [Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19): Information for NIH Applicants and Recipients](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/natural_disasters/corona-virus.htm) website with a slew of additional FAQs, new funding opportunities, as well as the[**video message**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V5-Ry-2uGxs&feature=youtu.be)from Dr. Michael Lauer, Deputy Director for Extramural Research at NIH. NIH also published [**notice**](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-091.html) announcing that grant applications submitted late for due dates between March 9, 2020, and May 1, 2020, will be accepted through May 1, 2020. This notice applies to all relevant funding opportunity announcements, including those that indicate no late applications will be accepted. A cover letter providing a justification is not required. NIH will be extending the expiration date of most FOAs expiring between now and May 1. Be sure to read the [notice](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-091.html) carefully for details.

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NSF FAQ for Proposers and Awardees (March 26, 2020)

<https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/covid19/covid19faqs_proposerandawardee.pdf>

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**March 17, 2020, Special Edition on COVID-19**

**CUNY Guideline on COVID-19 Research Continuity**

To the extent possible, Principal Investigators (PIs) should continue their research, particularly aspects of research that can be conducted without visiting a campus or site, such as manuscript writing, data analysis, report writing, administrative tasks. PIs should consider suspending projects or not starting new projects, but if study activities can be conducted remotely, research should proceed in this way (see below). The research enterprise must continue to follow appropriate regulatory guidance. Federal sponsors are allowing for maximal flexibility with regard to administrative, cost, and reporting requirements (see [NSF](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.nsf.gov&d=DwMGaQ&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=MGRJaR3owFKLz9z1Ak7mVH4swR4KRB5qN-ApwFkeRjI&m=cm41EstbKtUt0ZKP4WQyIufR5bTIzg1zmKA2UOOfVGo&s=yLVagRnByKvVyo1VdrB1UpjG1ELsLoWOhimAIjpgRHc&e=), [NIH](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.nih.gov&d=DwMGaQ&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=MGRJaR3owFKLz9z1Ak7mVH4swR4KRB5qN-ApwFkeRjI&m=cm41EstbKtUt0ZKP4WQyIufR5bTIzg1zmKA2UOOfVGo&s=B53ElxCJeqZcEfCobk54lKOih-DhZWk3Rxa65AimAbo&e=)). If a study needs to be paused, use the standard process to notify the sponsor as soon as feasible. Unless otherwise notified by the sponsor, all reports due to sponsors must continue to be submitted.

**Ramping Down**

PIs should follow the guidance from their campuses, many of which are having PIs ramp down to only essential functions. PIs should consider whether maintenance of research resources (e.g., equipment, animals) require emergency personnel (trained people to work on site), in case the University were to close, or mass transit is impacted. It may take time to develop sufficient plans to ramp down research activities. Planning now will help us to be proactive and responsive if the University were to close.

Note for students engaged in any research (from undergraduates to graduate students, for courses, theses, dissertations, etc.), they should be guided by their faculty, who should be guided by their campus and the information below. All research engagement, whether funded or not, requires compliance with federal guidelines.

**Human Subjects Research**

For research involving interactions with people, interactions should be limited to minimize risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19, in accordance with [CUNY Coronavirus Guidance](https://www.cuny.edu/coronavirus/), [CDC Guidance](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.cdc.gov&d=DwMGaQ&c=mRWFL96tuqj9V0Jjj4h40ddo0XsmttALwKjAEOCyUjY&r=MGRJaR3owFKLz9z1Ak7mVH4swR4KRB5qN-ApwFkeRjI&m=cm41EstbKtUt0ZKP4WQyIufR5bTIzg1zmKA2UOOfVGo&s=MqNIYNxre2ki22ocJNYLAoh6xc9Z-WFFudLBqWajO3Q&e=), and campus guidance. Follow your campus guidelines, but in general **human subject** **research involving direct interaction with study participants should be paused and no study participants should travel to CUNY colleges** (except studies with therapeutic benefit, see below). Ethical principles of research and federal regulations for the protection of human research participants require an acceptable risk/benefit ratio for in-person contact associated with research.

Studies which offer direct therapeutic benefit to participants or where stopping procedures would cause harm to study participants may continue, on a case-by-case basis. For health and safety, changes to protect study participants can be instituted immediately. Please submit a modification to the IRB to indicate temporary modifications within 5 business days.

Studies which do not offer direct therapeutic benefit to participants or where stopping procedures will NOT cause harm to participants and PIs would like to continue the study, PIs must submit a modification to change study procedures requiring NO face-to-face interactions. Studies which do not involve face-to-face interactions (i.e., conducted electronically or via telephone) may continue.

PIs should notify Mike Brown, Assistant Director for Research Compliance at [michael.brown@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:michael.brown@qc.cuny.edu) ​and their sponsor of any changes in research procedures and submit all HRPP/IRB modifications via [Ideate](https://ideate.cuny.edu/home/).

**Data Use Agreements**

For studies of data access and analysis covered by data use agreements (DUA), PIs *may* need to request modification if you require a different platform that covered by the DUA. Please contact the [Agreements Point Person](http://www.cuny.edu/research/research-compliance/research-agreements/point-person-for-research-agreements/) (Yongwu Rong at yrong@qc.cuny.edu). If the DUA involves human subjects and the protocol requires modifications, an IRB modification should be submitted via Ideate.

**Non-human animal research**

For animal care, essential personnel should be identified and trained. PIs should work with campus leadership to determine which personnel are needed on campus to provide such essential campus services. This is consistent with Governor Cuomo’s [Executive Order](http://maestro.cuny.edu/trk/click?ref=zqtbwp23f_2-1uc942a-0-1d6ex37422x038554&), which defines essential personnel as “anyone whose job function is essential to the effective operation of their agency or authority, or who must be physically present to perform their job, or who is involved in the COVID-19 emergency response.” In the case of University closure, identification of emergency essential personnel may be depend on ease of access to the animal facility and public transit availability. Extra food and bedding for animals should be ordered, as well as extra Personal Protective Equipment for animal husbandry staff. Orders for additional animals should be suspended, except on a case-by-case basis. If a campus shuts down, PIs should follow their campus and IACUC policies when determining whether a holding protocol is appropriate.

**Tissue and Other non-IACUC Materials Research**

For tissue and other non-IACUC materials such as insects, plants, and sea animals, additional orders should be suspended, except on a case-by-case basis. PIs should decide which to maintain (e.g., freeze) and which to abandon. PIs who work with such materials should contact their campus EHS Officer to design a contingency plan appropriate to the materials in question.

**Equipment/Facilities**

For equipment/facilities that require human attention and/or supplies for operation, preparations should be made for extra supplies and training of essential personnel, who would be able to maintain equipment if necessary, in case of University shut down. PIs should communicate this via the proper campus contacts (including campus safety). PIs should follow their campus policies regarding ramping down equipment/facilities.

**Researcher Travel**

For researcher travel, including conferences and field research, researchers should follow CUNY travel guidance on the [CUNY Coronavirus](https://www.cuny.edu/coronavirus/) portal. For guidance about NSF or NIH reimbursement, see the [CUNY Research](https://www.cuny.edu/research/) links.

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**March 11th, 2020, Special Edition on COVID-19**

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NSF is accepting proposals to conduct non-medical, non-clinical-care research that can be used immediately to explore how to model and understand the spread of COVID-19, to inform and educate about the science of virus transmission and prevention, and to encourage the development of processes and actions to address this global challenge. The research community is encouraged to respond to this challenge through [existing funding opportunities](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/), or using the Rapid Response Research (RAPID) funding mechanism, which allows NSF to receive and review proposals having a severe urgency with regard to availability of or access to data, facilities or specialized equipment as well as quick-response research on natural or anthropogenic disasters and similar unanticipated events. Requests for RAPID proposals may be for up to $200K and up to one year in duration. Well-justified proposals that exceed these limits may be entertained. All questions should be directed either to a program officer managing an NSF program with which the research would be aligned or to rapid-covid19@nsf.gov. A list of [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf20053) is available.

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Through this Dear College Letter, the Office of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure (OAC) within the Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering is inviting RAPID proposals and supplemental funding requests to existing awards that address COVID-19 challenges through data and/or software infrastructure development activities.

Proposals in response to this DCL and the NSF DCL on COVID-19 ([NSF 20-052](https://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf20052)) may also request the use of NSF-funded advanced computing resources such as [Frontera](https://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf20018), [Stampede2, Bridges, Comet, and JetStream](https://www.nsf.gov/cgi-bin/goodbye?https://portal.xsede.org/allocations/resource-info). To ensure availability of these computing resources, investigators must contact OAC prior to submission of the proposal

More details are available at<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20055/nsf20055.jsp?org=NSF>

[**NIH Notice of Special Interest (NOSI) regarding the Availability of Urgent Competitive Revisions for Research on the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV)**](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-AI-20-030.html%E2%80%8B)

NIAID and NIGMS are issuing this Notice of Special Interest (NOSI) to highlight the urgent need for research on the 2019 novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV). NIAID is particularly interested in projects focusing on viral natural history, pathogenicity, transmission, as well as projects developing medical countermeasures and suitable animal models for pre-clinical testing of vaccines and therapeutics against 2019-nCoV. NIGMS is specifically interested in incorporation of data from the 2019-nCoV into ongoing research efforts to develop predictive models for the spread of Coronaviruses and related pathogens.

More details are available at<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-AI-20-030.html>​

# **Maintaining Research Continuity** (based on COVID-19 guidance from CUNY)

The research enterprise must continue to follow regulatory guidance. Principal Investigators (PIs) should prepare to suspend projects, but only when doing so would not pose risk of harm to human or animal subjects or public health, and not starting new projects.

For labs with animals, the School of Mathematics and Natural Sciences has arranged a training session to provide additional back-up to ensure that basic care and feeding for lab animals will be continued in the case of an university wide shutdown. Extra food and bedding for animals should be ordered. Orders for additional animals should be suspended, except on a case-by-case basis.

For labs with tissue and other non-IACUC materials such as insects, plants, and sea animals, additional orders should be suspended, except on a case-by-case basis. PIs should be prepared to decide which to maintain (e.g., freeze) and which to abandon.

For equipment/facilities, which require human attention and/or supplies for operations, order extra supplies and train/cross train essential personnel considering commute to ensure adequate coverage so as to maintain operations and prevent equipment failure.

For researcher travel, including conferences and field research, researchers should follow CUNY travel guidance on the [www.cuny.edu/coronavirus](http://www.cuny.edu/coronavirus) portal.

For research involving interactions with humans, interactions should be limited in accordance with CUNY Coronavirus Guidance and CDC guidance. If you expect a significant pause in your research procedures, you can contact Michael Brown at Michael.Brown@qc.cuny.edu, Assistant Director for Research Compliance. Unless otherwise notified by the sponsor, all reports due to sponsors must continue to be submitted.

\*Added March 12, more detailed guidance on human subject research is in the following section.

## **Conducting Human Subject Research During the Coronavirus Outbreak**

Researchers should inform funding sources and ORSP to notify of any delays that may affect their ability to meet project deadlines, reach milestones, and satisfy contractual research obligations and terms of awards.

There is no mandate to halt research involving human subjects at this time. Principal Investigators are responsible for making their own determinations about the appropriateness of continuing human subjects research activities. However, it is recommended that in-person interactions to recruit subjects and/or gather data should be limited to avoid unnecessary contact. Investigators can consider the following for both new and existing research studies:

* Recruiting subjects online, via social media, or email;
* Conducting in-person study procedures like interviews, face-to-face surveys, and focus groups remotely;
  + Using telephone or video conferencing (Skype, Zoom, etc.) to conduct interviews and focus groups;
  + Using online services like Qualtrics, SurveyMonkey, etc. to collect survey data;
* Obtaining [Internet-Based Informed Consent](https://www.cuny.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/page-assets/research/research-compliance/human-research-protection-program-hrpp/hrpp-policies-procedures/Oral-and-Internet-Script-Template_3.06.19_CLEAN1.docx) (a waiver of documentation of informed consent) when applicable. See [CUNY HRPP Policy: Consent Process and Documentation](https://www.cuny.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/page-assets/research/research-compliance/human-research-protection-program-hrpp/hrpp-policies-procedures/19-Informed-Consent-1.1-01-02-19-1-1.pdf) for more information.

Please review [CUNY’s Internet or Mobile Technology Based Research policy](https://www.cuny.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/page-assets/research/research-compliance/human-research-protection-program-hrpp/hrpp-policies-procedures/Internet_Based_Research.pdf) for information regarding responsibilities and considerations related to Internet or mobile technology-based human subject research.

As per CUNY policy, Principal Investigators are required to submit modifications and obtain IRB/HRPP approval prior to implementing changes. They are also advised to contact ORSP about their

Any delay or suspension of study activity that will adversely affect the treatment, health, and/or the emotional and/or physical well-being of study participants should be immediately reported to the CUNY-UI IRB.

# **CANCELLATION of Event this Friday**

Due to the concern on COVID-19 and following CUNY guideline, the event "Fostering International Collaborations and Scholarship​" (part of the Faculty and Leadership Development event series) scheduled for this Friday, March 13th, has been cancelled. If there is a plan to reschedule this, we will inform you promptly.

# **Weblinks related to COVID 19**

NSF FAQs<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20053/nsf20053.jsp#q9>

NIH FAQs<https://www.nih.gov/health-information/coronavirus>​

CUNY official guidance for COVID 19 <https://www.cuny.edu/coronavirus/>

QC website for Key Updates and Resources related to COVD 19 <https://www.qc.cuny.edu/StudentLife/services/health/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx>

RF Guidance for PIs and Employees (added March 12, 2020)

RF has updated their coronavirus guidance for PIs and employees through RF. Please see links below which also link to COGR Guidance that includes FAQs for NSF and NIH:

<https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/about/announcements/coronavirus-guidance/>

<https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/learning-resources/covid-19-guidance/workplace-guidance-related-to-covid-19-for-field-staff/>

<https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/learning-resources/covid-19-guidance/covid-19-event-guidance-and-faqs-for-cuny-pis/>

<https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/learning-resources/covid-19-guidance/rfcuny-remote-work-guidelines-for-the-covid-19-event/>

Additional concerns related to research can be communicated to us at [yrong@qc.cuny.e](mailto:yrong@qc.cuny.edu)

**March 5th, 2020**

**Updates from the Office of Regulatory Compliance**

We have several messages from Michael Brown, new Assistant Director for Research Compliance. They include an Introduction message, Conflict of Interest Information, two relevant [guidance documents](https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/resources_1?authuser=0), information on NIH’s new system for Issuing Certificates of Confidentiality for Non-NIH Funded Research, International Compilation of Human Research Standards, the Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections (SACHRP) Webcast. Details are at [**Updates on Res Comp Mar 5**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1X4PheP_SpmTYIJId83X4LuFNzKnUjhMYHg2xQdBIIiM/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5e616483)which is posted on our Res website at <https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/updates?authuser=0>

# **Funding Opportunities**

## **Research in the Classroom Grant - Due: April 10, 2020**

The CUNY Office of Research has a Research in the Classroom Grant ($7,500) for innovative ideas to incorporate authentic research projects into the undergraduate curriculum. Successful projects may be implemented into new or existing courses but must incorporate authentic research. The research question should be based on the expertise of the PI, and should involve the development of new avenues of inquiry.

Applications encouraged from across all disciplines including the Arts, Humanities, Engineering, Natural Sciences and Social Sciences. A workshop will be held for successful applicants in June 2020 (please see program guidelines for more information).

The call for proposals can be accessed using this link: <http://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/research-in-the-classroom/>

# **Events**

## **Faculty and Leadership Development Session: Fostering International Collaborations and Scholarship (Added March 10: This event is to be rescheduled due to coronavirus situation) - CANCELED**

**Date/Time:** March 13, 10am-12.​

**Location:** Dining Hall, Q-Side Lounge

**Contact:** Dr. Mihaela Robila

Sign up at [Sign Up](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScCUmC5LBMFqyZQYOMk-IFr0P_petlyVlrxYYR114K_xSXRYg/viewform)

# **Materials from Past Event**

Following our event “Using Social Media to Promote Your Research,” we would like to share the materials here.

**Event 5.** [**Social Media to Promote Research**](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1djqTSUBTmWoGylXXB3AWh8Gp5chIa9M3sBGZTkRYHDE/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5e605433) **&**  [**Science and CUNY Twitter accounts to follow**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BA3wApB3x6jOZ1HZ_F-nsU3TBNweAigqB5A-JZ6OZxE/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5e6055f1)

**February 24, 2020**

**NIH SCORE Call for Proposals**

As some of us are aware, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) sponsors the [Support of Competitive Research (SCORE) program](https://www.nigms.nih.gov/Research/DRCB/SCORE/), a research capacity building program that seeks to increase the research competitiveness of faculty at eligible institutions. Such eligibility condition may be established by the current NIH R01 funding level, mission statement or historical track records in graduating students from groups nationally underrepresented in biomedical research with B.S./B.A., M.A., M.S. or Ph.D. degrees in biomedical-related sciences.

Following the recommendation of NIH, we have formed a committee, the QC SCORE Committee, to solicit "white papers" aiming at SCORE submissions from QC faculty, recommend which white papers will be moved forward, and assist the selected PIs with their SCORE submissions. The committee consists of Yongwu Rong (Provost's Office), Daniel Weinstein (Dean of DMNS), Professors Junyong Choi (Chemistry), John Dennehy (Biology), Yoko Nomura (Psychology). Please also notice that, in a previous Research Updates, we have provided you the required document for institutional information, available at:

[QC Institutional Info for NIH SCORE 2020Jan.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1a7RrbY_-izT3PhNoIYCgt2VnW5m5MaF-/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5e3c40a6) or

<https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/resources_1?authuser=0>

To be considered for the Queens College SCORE grant submission, please submit a "white paper" to the Chair of the SCORE Committee, John Dennehy <John.Dennehy@qc.cuny.edu> by **Monday, March 16, 2020**. After that, we will inform you the decisions by March 23, 2020.

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Details of this announcement can be found at [**SCORE Call for Proposals 2020 Spring.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1496AmNW7ZZ49kkXjVi8IkFbXQxl1Za74/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5e53dcd9)

**NSF Quantitative Research Methods for STEM Education Scholars Program**, University of Maryland, College Park (Due: March 1)

The University of Maryland, College Park, presents the NSF-funded Quantitative Research Methods for STEM Education Scholars Program (NSF QRM Scholars Program), which is aimed at building capacity in research design, measurement, and analysis for early-career researchers who focus on issues of equity and access in STEM education, especially by providing ongoing quantitative mentorship and support to our Scholars throughout the 2020-2021 academic year. Scholars will meet with us at UMD this summer from August 17-21 for an immersive crash course in all things quantitative; from then on, Scholars will be able to participate fully from the comfort of their home institutions as they receive regular guidance, instruction, and one-on-one feedback from their quantitative mentor. Throughout the year, Scholars will work toward the completion of a project of their choice with help from their mentorship team, develop a peer network of fellow STEM Education researchers, and get the opportunity to meet and interact with the NSF Program Officer. Pre-tenure faculty, post-docs, and any upcoming graduates or recent alumni who are working in STEM Education research are encouraged to apply**.** Applications are due March 1.

**Application portal**: <https://go.umd.edu/NSF-QRM-Scholars-Application-Portal-20>

**Program website**: <https://go.umd.edu/NSF-QRM-Scholars-Program-Website>

**Contact**: [nsf-qrm-scholars@umd.edu](mailto:nsf-qrm-scholars@umd.edu)

**Visit by CUNY Associate Vice Chancellor for Research**

Dr. Tamera Schneider, the new CUNY Associate Vice Chancellor for Research, will visit our campus on the morning of March 9, and will meet our Research Advisory Committee. If you have any thoughts on what CUNY can do to enhance our research, please feel free to share with me, or a member of the Research Advisory Committee. The list of current members are at <https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/committee?authuser=0>

**Gentle Reminders**

1. Sign up for two events at ​[**Sign Up**](https://forms.gle/oxvLfkiyzzk9ep7K9)**:** (1) Roundtable Conversation on Training Grants (Tues, Feb. 25, 12:15-2pm), (2) Using Social Media to Promote Your Research (Mon, March 2, 12:15-2pm).
2. Inform us your proposal submission plan at your earliest convenience at

​[**Intent to Submit a Proposa**l](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdmZqG79sENQDoL7pliitPlh15CqNjy-hD5aLb-aXR9WuLaFg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&usp=mail_form_link) (This form is accessible at our Res Website at<https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/webforms?authuser=0>)

**February 18, 2020**

# **Events**

**Roundtable Conversation on Training Grants** (a reminder)

**Speakers:**  Drs. Stephen Farenga (SEYS), Eva Fernandez (Provost’s Office), Allan Ludman (SEES), Jose Sanchez (GSLIS);

**Date /Times:** Tuesday, Feb, 25, 2020, 12 - 2pm.

**Location:** The Summit Flex Space)

**Sign up** at [Sign Up](https://forms.gle/oxvLfkiyzzk9ep7K9)

**Description.** There are many funding programs that support efforts in enhancing educational experiences of our students. Queens College is uniquely positioned for such opportunities because of our diverse student population. This event will focus on training opportunities in STEM education. We will hear from several colleagues who have received such training grants sharing their experiences. We will also discuss new opportunities in training grants that can be explored by us.

**Using Social Media to Promote Your Research**

**Speakers:**  Coralie Carlson, Social Media Coordinator, CUNY Graduate Center.

**Date /Times:** Monday, March 2, 2020, 12:15 - 2pm

**Location:** The Summit Flex Space

**Sign up** at [Sign Up](https://forms.gle/oxvLfkiyzzk9ep7K9)

**Funding Opportunities**

**The Henry Luce Foundation - Higher Education program**

**Website:** <https://www.hluce.org/programs/higher-education/grant-categories/>

**Contact:** Mr. Sean Buffington, Program Director for Higher Education at [buffington@hluce.org](mailto:buffington@hluce.org)

**Description.** The Higher Education Program welcomes excellent, innovative proposals from colleges and universities and the organizations that support them. Such grants aim to (1) stimulate and support scholarship, especially projects that break new ground and that cross disciplinary and geographic boundaries, (2) ensure that high-quality research informs policymaking and public discussion (3) prepare the next generation of diverse faculty and academic leaders. The program encourages inquiries from institutions that are less well-resourced and/or that serve disadvantaged or marginalized communities. Higher education program grants have several characteristics:

* They support projects in the humanities and qualitative social sciences. (There is one exception: projects that seek to support women or to increase the number of women in certain STEM fields are also eligible.)
* They support projects aimed at faculty and doctoral students; in general, projects aimed primarily at undergraduates will not be supported.
* They support team-based projects or institutional initiatives rather than purely individual research projects; such projects or initiatives will seek to have broader impact—on a field or on the sector.
* The projects they support will not only produce new knowledge but will also model new approaches to the production, dissemination and application of knowledge.

Letters of inquiry can be submitted at any time through online portal at <https://hluce.force.com/fgm_portal__CommunitySignupQuiz?id=a0n5000000A0ZxqAAF>

**Funding Opportunities from CUNY**

Interdisciplinary Climate Crisis Research Grant (due Feb 24, 2020)

<https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/interdisciplinary-research-grant-program/> (this was alerted to you in our Res Updates last week)

Travel Awards from the CUNY Academy for the Humanities and Sciences <http://www1.cuny.edu/sites/cunyufs/2020/01/31/travel-awards-from-the-cuny-academy/>

The Faculty Travel for Grant Development program from CUNY RF

<https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/principal-investigators/explore-pre-award-resources/faculty-travel-for-grant-development/>

**Opportunities from DAAD** (German Academic Exchange Service)

**Message in a Bottle: Critical Theory and Climate Change (**DAAD Summer Seminar for Faculty and Recent PhDs, at Cornell University, during June 14-July 16, 2020(

**Application deadline**: March 1, 2020.

**Description** The purpose of the summer seminar is to promote the interdisciplinary study of historical, political, social and cultural aspects of modern and contemporary German affairs and to advance their understanding among scholars in the United States and Canada. The program is open to faculty members and recent PhDs in german social science and cultural studies fields. Contact Dr. Christa Spreizer, DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Research Ambassador for QC, at [Christine.Spreizer@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:Christine.Spreizer@qc.cuny.edu). More information at <https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/faculty/daad-faculty-summer-seminar/>

**"Germany Today" Information Tour**

**Application deadline:** March 15, 2020.

**Description** DAAD invites representatives from universities, research institutions, and funding agencies in the United States and Canada, as well as colleagues from the fields of education policy and politics to join us for our “Germany Today” Information Tour 2020 from June 14 - June 20, 2020. This year’s tour will focus on how higher education institutions in Germany approach today’s societal challenges through engaged modes of interdisciplinary, interinstitutional and international cooperation. Contact Dr. Christa Spreizer, DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Research Ambassador for QC, at [Christine.Spreizer@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:Christine.Spreizer@qc.cuny.edu). More information at <https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/faculty/germany-today/>

**February 5, 2020**

* [**Updates on Grant Proposal Submission**](#_hyjw8ll2hpul)
* [**Grantsmanship Workshop**](#_q6c6cvqqzuxc)
* [**Coverage for IRB**](#_x0ihnxa0h0cv)
* [**QC Institutional Information Document**](#_mz4v93p3ifpw)

# **Updates on Grant Proposal Submission**

In our efforts to provide the best support for your grant proposal submissions, we would like to hear your proposal submission plan as early as possible through our newly created webform below. This will allow us to plan ahead to work with you. Please inform us your submission plan at your earliest convenience.

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​We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you two issues on proposal submissions.

1. All grant proposals and contracts must be reviewed by the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP), and approved by the Chair/Dean/Associate Provost for Research, before submission. Please keep in mind that all submissions are on behalf of the Queens College. The University is the legal fiscal agent authorized to apply for, accept, and administer funds from private and public sponsors. Therefore, please work with ORSP on those submissions. Most grant applications can only be submitted into electronic systems by ORSP. In the case of a few private foundations or corporates, even if the individual can submit into their application systems, ORSP still needs to review the application before submission unless the award is to be made to an individual (such as a fellowship). In all cases, ORSP can assist you in determining whether submitting as an individual is an option. Therefore, it is always best to inform ORSP on your submission plan.
2. Review of a proposal submission by ORSP requires at least a five business day lead time before deadline, and longer with additional involvements such as cost-sharing or multi-institution submission. Such internal deadlines are common practices at other universities, some with much longer deadlines. Therefore, please plan ahead to allow ample time to work with our team.

Please let us know if any questions or comments. Thank you.

From Poline Papoulis and YR, on behalf of ORSP

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**Coverage for IRB**

As indicated in our last Research Update on Jan 31, we have successfully recruited Mr. Michael Brown to be our new Assistant Director for Research Compliance, and he will start on Feb 17, 2020. Starting now, new HRPP protocols submitted in Ideate system will be handled by Mr. Brown. Meanwhile, if you have any urgent question on IRB before Feb 17, you can email me at [yrong@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:yrong@qc.cuny.edu)

# **QC Institutional Information Document**

We are pleased to share with you this document, which is to provide the institutional information required for NIH SCORE submissions. Several colleagues have commented that this document could be useful for your other grant proposal submissions or professional needs. Therefore, we decide to share with you here. I would like to thank all who have helped me with this, especially John Dennehy, Eva Fernandez, Zhili Liang, Cheryl Littman,Poline Papoulis, Dan Weinstein.

You can access this document at

[QC Institutional Info for NIH SCORE 2020Jan.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1a7RrbY_-izT3PhNoIYCgt2VnW5m5MaF-/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5e3c40a6)

Also available at our Research Website at <https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/resources_1?authuser=0>

**January 31, 2020**

**Funding Opportunities**

[**Interdisciplinary Climate Crisis Research Grant**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/interdisciplinary-research-grant-program/)

**Sponsor:** CUNY Office of Research

**Deadline:** Monday, February 24, 2020, 12:00 pm EST.

**Description**. This CUNY RFP encompasses the Interdisciplinary Research Grant program (IRG) and leverages additional funds to focus on the climate crisis. For this RFP, applications must combine expertise across disciplines and should be geared toward providing a pathway to NEW external funding. Projects must involve at least two investigators and the lead PI and Co-PIs must be from different disciplines (ideally from different CUNY institutions). The Interdisciplinary Climate Crisis Research Grant will support the following activities: (1) establishing new or expanded interdisciplinary research collaborations, (2) developing and convening interdisciplinary conferences or symposia, (3) funding the purchase of equipment or instrumentation necessary to conduct interdisciplinary research. More details, including program guideline are available at <https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/interdisciplinary-research-grant-program/>

We asked RF to do a search on climate related funding opportunities, especially those related to resiliency which some of us have expressed a particular interest. The results are below. If any of you are interested in a group effort for external funding, let us know at [yrong@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:yrong@qc.cuny.edu)

**Private Foundations**

* Resilient Communities Program <https://www.nfwf.org/programs/resilient-communities-program>
* New York City Environment <https://www.nycommunitytrust.org/information-for/for-nonprofits/how-to-apply/>​
* Partners for Places Grants <https://ws.onehub.com/files/21xo3obg>

**NSF**

* Climate and Large-Scale Dynamics <http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=11699&org=ATM>
* Hydrologic Sciences <https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=13684>
* Environmental Sustainability (Engineering) <https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505695>
* Engineering for Civil Infrastructure <https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505488&WT.mc_id=USNSF_25&WT.mc_ev=click>
* Environmental Convergence Opportunities in CBET <https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20517/nsf20517.htm>

**NIH**

* Environmental Influences on Aging: Effects of Extreme Weather and Disaster Events on Aging Populations (R01 Clinical Trial Optional) <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-19-250.html>

**NOAA**

* Broad Agency Announcement <https://www.grants.gov/custom/viewOppDetails.jsp?oppId=297752>

**Dept of Energy**

* Environmental System Science <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=322334>​

**DoD**

* Soil Data Science and Resiliency <https://www.zintellect.com/Opportunity/Details/ERDC-EL-2020-0004>

**New York State**

* Climate Resilient Farming <https://agriculture.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2019/12/rfp0212_climateresilientfarminground5_requestforproposals.pdf>
* Long Island South Futures Fund (LISFF) <http://www.nfwf.org/lisff/Pages/home.aspx>​
* Resilient Communities Program <http://www.nfwf.org/ResilientCommunities/Pages/home.aspx>

**ASRC 2020 NSF CAREER Bootcamp Program, deadline extended to: Feb 3, 2020, 5pm.**

This was previous announced on our Research Update on our [Res Updates 2019 Dec 20](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tRNMSIEeihQczRTQejdNopl71-kYPQ5_0kwT6v3I4ak/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5dfd10a8) with a deadline of Jan 27. Now ASRC has extended the deadline to Feb 3. Details of the program can be found at <https://asrc.gc.cuny.edu/research-opportunities/faculty-opportunities/bootcamps/nsf-career-bootcamp/>

**Updates from our Office of Regulatory Compliance (ORC)**

Following the departure of Janet Echeverry in December last year, we have conducted a search to fill in our need in compliance. We are pleased to inform you that Mr. Michael Brown of CUNY Office of Research has accepted our offer, and will start as Assistant Director for Research Compliance, starting February 17, 2020 (we are in touch with CUNY to extend their IRB coverage for us until then). Below are a few sentences Mr. Brown wrote about himself, so you will know him better.

*I am pleased to join Queens College, after working in the CUNY Central Office of Research for the past 4 years, where I ensured investigator compliance with CUNY Human Research Protection Program policies, Conflict of Interest regulations, and NIH Biosafety guidelines. Prior to my employment with the CUNY Research Foundation, I served as a Manager for the Mount Sinai Program for the Protection of Human Subjects, as an Institutional Review Board (IRB) Analyst for the Biomedical Research Alliance of New York (BRANY), and as a Regulatory Affair Associate at the MedStar Health Research Institute. I also gained experience as a Program Manager Coordinator at the National Rehabilitation Hospital’s Center for Post-acute Studies. Currently I serve on the BRANY Institutional Biosafety Committee. I have a BA in Sociology from the University of Maryland in College Park and am currently pursuing an MS in Research Administration and Compliance at the CUNY School of Professional Studies.*

**Slides from Past Event**

Following the event “CUNY Health Collaboration Forum: Japan & Global Perspectives” (held on Jan 22 at CUNY Research Foundation), RF has now provided the slides, available in Dropbox [**here**](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/nhfma0s08pmamvw/AADYrf04PhjPtjcyhS66Rxewa?dl=0) for you to download and access. The Forum was also recorded, and in the coming month, RF will share the videos with you via YouTube.

**January 22, 2020**

**Funding Opportunities**

**Learn German in Germany Short-Term Language Study Grant**

**Deadline:** January 31, 2020

This grant is available to all faculty members in all academic fields except German Studies, German Language and Literature, and German Translation and Interpretation to attend intensive language courses at various Goethe-Institut locations in Germany. Four-week courses are offered year-round to applicants. Applications for the upcoming year are due on January 31, 2020. Contact Dr. Christa Spreizer, DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Research Ambassador for QC, at [Christine.Spreizer@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:Christine.Spreizer@qc.cuny.edu). More information can be found at: <https://www.daad.org/en/find-funding/faculty/learn-german-in-germany/>

**Call for Proposals for the 2020 CUE Conference and the CUNY OER Showcase “OER to Open Pedagogy: Teaching and Learning Empowered”**

**Deadline:** February 15, 2020

Over the last 3 years, CUNY has developed a national and international reputation in the field of Open Education Resources (OER). Faculty, staff, and students at CUNY are helping to push forward open educational practices and leading the charge to revolutionize undergraduate education. In order to highlight this important work, the Office of Undergraduate Studies and the Office of Library Services are joining forces to co-host the 2020 CUE Conference and the CUNY OER Showcase. “OER to Open Pedagogy: Teaching and Learning Empowered” will be held at Baruch College on Friday, March 20th. This year’s conference seeks to feature the transformative work being done in higher education at CUNY. Faculty, staff, and students working on OER and/or Open Pedagogy projects, practices, or infrastructure are encouraged to submit proposals. Proposals that showcase innovative projects in open pedagogy are particularly encouraged to apply. For questions contact: Ann Fiddler [ann.fiddler@cuny.edu](mailto:ann.fiddler@cuny.edu). More information, includingng proposal submit form are available at <https://ybephbsyus.formstack.com/forms/oer_cue_rfp2020>

**January 17, 2020**

**Learn German in Germany Short-Term Language Study Grant (Just added)**

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**Updates on IRB Coverage**

As explained before, support for IRB has been provided by CUNY Research Compliance Analyst Eliana Forero (eliana.forero@cuny.edu). She will continue her support for us until Feb 3 (this reflects an extension beyond the original end date of Jan 20). We are in the process of hiring a new Compliance Manager and will inform you once this is completed.

[**Beyond the Lab: Promoting Your Science to the Public**](https://asrc.formstack.com/forms/beyondthelab)

**Date/Time:** Friday, January 31, 2020, 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

**Location:** CUNY Graduate Center, Segal Theater | 365 5th Avenue

**Sign Up** at [**Registration**](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/forms-beyondthelab/9rh58/208970239?h=a1LujH6E9p471zqOATiDwUTwUH4nqZpQSM0NaEYXaI4)(thank to Dean Brumberg for allowing registration by us after deadline)

**Description:** Ever wonder how scientists like CUNY marine biologist David Gruber are successful in getting their peer-reviewed research covered by major news outlets like The New York Times? Come hear from him and others how you can be similarly successful. This interactive workshop will include talks by experienced science media professionals and exercises to practice promoting your research to science writers.

**QC Global Newsletter**

As featured in the Queens College QView #64, QC has published its first Global Newsletter, documenting exciting developments in all campus divisions. Details can be found on the [**QC Global Website**](https://www.qc.cuny.edu/Academics/GlobalEd/OGEI/Pages/default.aspx) Please feel welcome to take a look. Special thanks to Professor Mihaela Robila, a 2019–20 Provost’s Faculty Fellow, who spearheaded this as part of her fellowship project.

**December 20, 2019**

**Updates from NSF**

The National Science Foundation has designated the National Institutes of Health’s [SciENcv](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sciencv/) (Science Experts Network Curriculum Vitae) as an NSF-approved format for submission of biographical sketch(es). With the next iteration of the NSF PAPPG to be released in early 2020, it is expected that NSF will only accept PDFs for biographical sketches that are generated through SciEncv within 90 days thereafter. See details on NSF website <https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/>

We encourage you to check the [**SciENcv**](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sciencv/) website to get familiar with the system and to create your new biosketch. This website also provides links (on the left column) to a number of resources that may be useful for you.

* [Background Information](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sciencv/background/)
* [SciENcv FAQs](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sciencv/faqs/)
* [YouTube Video: SciENcv tutorial](http://youtu.be/PRWy-3GXhtU)
* [YouTube Video: Integrating with ORCiD](https://youtu.be/G_cKSRr7TJ4)
* [Recent Changes to NIH Biosketch](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sciencv/biosketch-changes/)
* Provide Feedback

From Poline Papulis and YR

**ASRC 2020 NSF CAREER Bootcamp Program (Application Due: Jan 27, 2020)**

The Sponsored Programs Office at the Advanced Science Research Center (ASRC) is pleased to announce its NSF CAREER Bootcamp Program for the 2020 CAREER Award cycle (NSF’s Faculty Early Career Development Program). This program is open to all *eligible* CUNY assistant professors. Tenure track assistant professors who meet the following criteria (as of July 27, 2020) are eligible to apply for the NSF CAREER award and to the Bootcamp:

* Hold a doctoral degree in a field supported by NSF;
* Be engaged in research in an area of science, engineering, or education supported by NSF;
* Hold at least a 50% tenure-track (or tenure-track-equivalent) position as an assistant professor (or equivalent title);
* Be untenured; and
* Have not previously received a CAREER award. (Prior or concurrent Federal support for other types of awards for non-duplicative research does not preclude eligibility.)

Information about the ASRC CAREER Bootcamp and the application is available here:<https://asrc.gc.cuny.edu/research-opportunities/faculty-opportunities/bootcamps/nsf-career-bootcamp/>

[**CUNY Health Collaboration Forum: Japan & Global Perspectives**](https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/about/announcements/january-22-2020-cuny-health-collaboration-forum-japan-global-perspectives/)

**Date/Time:** Wednesday, January 22, 2020 from 10am – 3pm

**Location:** CUNY Research Foundation (230 West 41st Street, 10th Floor).

**Sign Up** at [**RSVP**](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LWVCSNJ)

**Contact:** Contact [appsevents@rfcuny.org](mailto:appsevents@rfcuny.org) with any question

**Description:** Come to learn about funding programs and best practices that support international collaborations in health research. Japanese funding agency representatives; US federal agency experts; Japanese health researchers; and CUNY faculty will all share their insights on how to secure resources for and build successful international partnerships, with an emphasis on opportunities with Japan. Faculty and graduate students across all disciplines and career stages are welcome. Complimentary lunch will be provided, with a wine and cheese networking reception to close.

**Message for CUNY on New Electronic System for HRPP**

CUNY faculty have expressed multiple concerns with the current Human Research Protection Program (HRPP) electronic system. To serve our faculty better, a working group was convened which included constituents from faculty, HRPP, IT and Academic Affairs staff, and the IRB. The working group recommended three of the nine systems reviewed to the Associate University Provost for Research Administration and Compliance. The three finalists were then evaluated by IRB Chairs, Vice Chairs and the Associate University Provost. This multi-review process resulted in the identification of IRB Manager as the system of choice. Consequently, the Office of Research has entered into a contract to transition from our current and insufficient system, Ideate, to the preferred comprehensive system, IRB Manager. IRB Manager has many benefits, and is also buildable by expanding its use to other areas of research compliance such as conflicts of interest and export controls. A transition plan is currently being developed, with a detailed timeline forthcoming.

**Reminder:**

The QC Research Enhancement Award application is due December 31, 2019.​ Details are in our program announcement at <https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/funding/funding-from-qc?authuser=0>

**December 11, 2019**

**Upcoming Deadlines for CUNY funding**

A reminder for the upcoming deadlines for the CUNY and QC funding programs below, listed our [QC Research Website](https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/funding/internal-funding?authuser=0)

* [PSC-CUNY Award Program](https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWEBSITE/principal-investigators/explore-pre-award-resources/internal-funding-psc-cuny-award-program/) (Due: December 15, 2019)
* [The CUNY Book Completion Award (BCA)](http://www2.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/book-completion/) (Due: Monday, Dec. 16, 2019 at 5.00pm)
* [The CUNY Junior Faculty Research Award in Science and Engineering program (JFRASE)](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/junior-faculty-research-awards/) (Due: December 20, 2019)
* [Advanced Research Collaborative (ARC) award](https://www.gc.cuny.edu/Degrees-Research/Advanced-Research-Collaborative/ARC-Applications) (Due: Dec. 31, 2019)
* [QC Research Enhancement Award.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-cNJDUE5EjX9bYwxwXWModhziGPDGkXl/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5db5b162) (Due: Dec. 31, 2019)

**FAQ for QC Internal Funding** (Dec. 11, 2019)

With our Research Enhancement Award application due on Dec. 31, we would like to share with you a compilation of questions from our colleagues on our Research Enhancement Award and Epsilon Award, along with our answers. The link for this list is on our research website at <https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research/funding/funding-from-qc?authuser=0>​ check right column bottom bullet, or ​

* [**FAQ for QC Internal Funding**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1L8MAFzKT8BDGbtZywPtNcn6zMxPTmLxr_lAr5D4dZDg/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5df1014b)

If new questions arise, we will update this list..

**Q.** Who are eligible for the QC Research Enhancement Award or Epsilon Award?

**A.** To be eligible, one must be a QC professorial faculty (tenure / tenure track faculty, including full professors, associate professors, and assistant professors). See the program announcements.

**Q.** How is the Epsilon Award different from the Research Enhancement Award besides the award size?

**A.** The Epsilon Award is to provide just-in-time support for a variety of research needs (software, book publishing, travel etc) at small level. These proposals will be reviewed throughout the academic year as they come in. The Research Enhancement Award is to provide support for bigger needs that you plan ahead for next year.

**Q.** Who will be reviewers for these applications?

**A.** The Epsilon Award applications are reviewed by the QC Research Advisory Committee throughout the academic year. The Research Enhancement Award applications are reviewed by a review panel with QC colleagues, assembled after consulting your Deans. We will likely ask for your help in January and will appreciate your willingness to offer your expertise and time.

**Q.** Can I use my NSF or NIH biosketches as CV for the Research Enhancement Award application?

**A.**  The NIH biosketch is up to five page, so you need to shrink that to two pages. The NSF biosketch does not include funding record, so you need to include those.

**​Q.** Can I ask for release time? If so, what is the appropriate budget for that?

**A.** Release time may be requested, as long as the applicant is not an untenured faculty with remaining contractual release time.​ The budget for a 3 credit release time request should be $5000 even (and proportional figures for smaller requests). This is the usual cap for Research Enhanced Award. It is lower than the actual cost for hiring a replacement adjust, but we will make up the difference.

**Q.** What is the fringe rate if I plan to support a student research assistant?

**A.**  This will depend on the hours and their status. GRAs have to be on tax levy and the fringe is 13% until they apply for FICA and then it is 2%. If part time B it is 9.34% if over 38 hours it is 35.34%. In addition, personnel earn annual leave which should be taken during the course of employment. If it is not, it is paid out in addition to what was paid in salary. We suggest that you provide your best estimate in the proposal. If an award is to be made, Poline Papoulis of ORSP will work with you to determine the exact budget.

**Funding Opportunities from CUNY GC**

[**Advanced Research Collaborative (ARC) award**](https://www.gc.cuny.edu/Degrees-Research/Advanced-Research-Collaborative/ARC-Applications) **(Due: Dec. 31, 2019)**

The Advanced Research Collaborative (ARC) of The Graduate Center invites tenured and tenure-track scholars both within and outside of CUNY to apply for our Distinguished Faculty Awards.Preference will be given to scholars conducting research in Inequality, Immigration, Multilingualism & Translation, and Global Cities, but scholars working in other fields, especially in the Humanities, are also encouraged to apply. Distinguished Awards fall into two categories:

* ***Distinguished Visiting Scholars***: for scholars who are not employed by the City University of New York.
* **Distinguished CUNY Fellows**: for tenured and tenure-track faculty at one of the campuses of the City University of New York. A Distinguished CUNY Fellow will receive course buyouts up to a maximum of 3 course releases for one semester.

**Funding Opportunities for training grants**

For those interested in pursuing for training grants, the winter break could be a good time to think about possible opportunities. Here, we highlight some of those from NSF Directorate for Education and Human Resources (EHR) and let us know if you have a general interest. [**https://www.nsf.gov/funding/programs.jsp?org=EHR**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/programs.jsp?org=EHR)

* [**CyberCorps(R) Scholarship for Service (SFS)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=504991&org=EHR&from=home)(Due July 31, 2020)
* [**EHR Core Research (ECR): Building Capacity in STEM Education Research (ECR: BCSER)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505645&org=EHR&from=home)(Due: February 28, 2020 Fourth Friday in February, Annually Thereafter)
* [**National Science Foundation Research Traineeship (NRT) Program**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505015&org=EHR&from=home)(Due: February 6, 2020 February 6, Annually Thereafter)
* [**Training-based Workforce Development for Advanced Cyberinfrastructure (CyberTraining)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505342&org=EHR&from=home) (Due: January 15, 2020 Third Wednesday in January, Annually Thereafter)
* [**Advanced Technological Education (ATE)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5464&org=EHR&from=home)(Due: October 1, 2020)
* [**Computer Science for All (CSforAll:RPP)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505359&org=EHR&from=home)(Due: February 11, 2020 Second Tuesday in February, Annually Thereafter)
* [**Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Education and Human Resources (IUSE: EHR)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505082&org=EHR&from=home) (Due: Feb 4 - Dec. 1, 2020, depending on the track)
* [**NSF Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (S-STEM)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5257&org=EHR&from=home)(Due: March 25, 2020 Last Wednesday in March, Annually Thereafter)
* [**Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship Program**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5733&org=EHR&from=home)(Due: August 25, 2020 Last Tuesday in August, Annually Thereafter)
* [**EHR Core Research (ECR): Building Capacity in STEM Education Research (ECR: BCSER)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505645&org=EHR&from=home) (Due: February 28, 2020 Fourth Friday in February, Annually Thereafter)
* [**Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI Program)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505512&org=EHR&from=home)(Due: September 16, 2020)
* [**ADVANCE: Organizational Change for Gender Equity in STEM Academic Professions (ADVANCE)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5383&org=EHR&from=home) (Due: January 15, 2020 - March 2, 2020 depending on track)
* [**Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation (LSAMP)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=13646)(due dates depending on the , 2020 - March 2, 2020 depending on type of submission)

**NSF HSI STEM Resource Hub JUMPSTART Grantsmanship Workshops**

The [NSF HSI STEM Resource Hub](https://hsistemhub.org/) is offering a series of **JUMPSTART Grantsmanship Workshops** across the country to provide basic insight and instruction on how to compete for NSF funding with a focus on the NSF HSI initiative. During the event, participants will have an opportunity to seek advice from successful grant applicants, to direct questions to experienced and knowledgeable grant awardees, and to closely analyze a sample proposal to learn which pitfalls to avoid. Preference will be given to applicants from 2 and 4-year HSIs with limited prior NSF support and faculty in their first 10 years of academic appointment. Space is limited and individual must apply to participate. Registration is free and some financial assistance will be provided. Upcoming workshops later this winter and spring will include: Miami Florida, Austin Texas, northern New Mexico, and Chicago Illinois. Applications upcoming workshops can be found at [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/jumpstart2020a](https://nam01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.surveymonkey.com%2Fr%2Fjumpstart2020a&data=01%7C01%7Chsistemhub%40nmsu.edu%7C0a1af70149354689e62f08d76f957340%7Ca3ec87a89fb84158ba8ff11bace1ebaa%7C1&sdata=FII%2FdN3YYRZUKEZvkBeZ%2BvWF8kpFBTLgdDSVyEgMYWo%3D&reserved=0) Let us know at [yrong@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:yrong@qc.cuny.edu) if you have an interest.

**Updates from our Office of Regulatory Compliance (ORC)**

Janet Echeverry, who has been our HRPP Analyst for the past four years, will leave Queens College for a new position in Baruch. Her last day at QC will be Dec. 20, 2019. She will be missed and we wish her the best of luck in her new endeavor.

After Dec. 20, 2019, ​CUNY central will provide IRB coverage for up to one month. Therefore, any need for IRB should be addressed to Eliana Forero, CUNY Research Compliance Analyst, at eliana.forero@cuny.edu​. Please keep in mind that during holiday period, people may be out of office and unable to respond to your request immediately. If you have any question or urgent need, you can email me at yrong@qc.cuny.edu.

We have started the process of recruiting new staff to meet our needs. If you know someone who could be potential fit, please pass this opportunity out: [https://www.rfcuny.org/careers/postings?pvnID=QC-1912-003 414](https://www.rfcuny.org/careers/postings?pvnID=QC-1912-003414)

**From the QC Tech Incubator**

* I-Corp Workshop (apply by Dec, 16) <https://forms.gle/6A5qKVdkkRKZ3ebD7>
* 30 sec pitch - ongoing via an app: <https://www.30secondpitch.com/>
* Queens Startup (apply by March 1, 2020 <http://queensstartup.org/>​

For more info, contact Dr. Ying Zhou at [Ying.Zhou@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:Ying.Zhou@qc.cuny.edu)​​

**November 21, 2019**

**Grantsmanship Workshop III**

**Pivot and GrantForward: Best Practices for Funding Opportunity Databases at CUNY**

**Speaker:**  Daniel Siepmann, CUNY Research Foundation

**Date /Times:** Tuesday, December 3, 3-5pm

**Location:** Rosenthal Library room 227

**Sign up** at [Sign Up](https://forms.gle/NnU91MwbgGUdJF3j9)

**​Description.** Join RFCUNY's Office of Award Pre-Proposal Support (APPS) as they visit Queens College and share best practices for faculty and staff to discover the right grants for their ambitions. Learn about how to use Pivot and GrantForward to uncover new funding opportunities for your research, scholarship, or special projects, no matter the discipline or department. From "just getting started" to advanced techniques, attendees will become familiar with how to use these free CUNY resources, and locate the awards that match their needs. This talk will be hands-on, with attendees exploring these resources alongside the presenter.

**Recommended Preview Exercise (from Dan Siepman)**  If you will attend this event, you are strongly recommended to login to Pivot and GrantForward at least once before the workshop. This will help to avoid the frustration in the room especially if you have never accessed either service before and requires time to claim an account or troubleshoot. In addition, here are two tutorial videos on logging to the two systems:

A.) Pivot Sign Up and Login - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jPl49jGfjXQ&list=PLE7D7FC99D1C8F04B>

B.) GrantForward Sign Up and Login - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w998RyQvwJI>

**Testimony**

*GrantsForward has a powerful search option that’s incredibly useful - it has uncovered calls for proposals I wouldn’t have known about​.*

* from Carolyn Pytte, Associate Professor of Psychology.

**Slides from the Nov. 14 Grantsmanship Workshop**

[**PSC CUNY Research Award Program.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1gEPcoGsWVZABxGNfjy5ke3tE7Yd7A56l/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5dcdc4ce)

**Reminder: PSC-CUNY Research Award Program - Internal Deadline**

We would like to remind you about the deadlines for the submission. Although the deadline for PSC-CUNY is Dec. 15, 2019, because of the need for checking for budget and compliance by our Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP), you need to submit your proposal through the [GRANTS PROPOSAL SYSTEM](https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/electronic-tools/psc-cuny-grants-proposal/) by **Monday, December 9, 2019**. After that, you can still update your proposal narratives until the deadline of Dec. 15.

In addition, if you intend to ask for release time, you need to obtain approval from your Chair / Dean / Provost. Email your request, along with your application (draft is acceptable) to your chair, copying to your Dean, Provost, and Associate Provost for Research, by Dec. 9, 2019, and we will make a decision as soon as possible.

For those who could not attend our Nov. 14 Grantsmanship Workshop on PSC-CUNY Research Award Program, the presentation materials are provided here:

[**PSC CUNY Research Award Program.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1gEPcoGsWVZABxGNfjy5ke3tE7Yd7A56l/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5dcdc4ce)

From Poline Papourlis and Y.R.

**Research Website for Faculty Resources - a preview**

We have been working on a new research website that will provide research related resources for Queens College faculty, including information on research related events, funding opportunities from Queens College, CUNY, and external, support for grant seeking efforts, as well as information on policy and procedures. While this website is still being fully developed, we would like to share with you now so you can provide feedback:

<https://sites.google.com/qc.cuny.edu/research>

**Funding Opportunities**

[**Step Up for Substance Use Disorder (SUD)**](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DA-20-025.html) **(Due: February 13, 2019)**

NIDA of NIH has published a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), “Step Up for Substance Use Disorder (SUD): A Drug Target Initiative for Scientists Engaged in Fundamental Research” (U18 -Clinical Trial Not Allowed). This FOA allows foreign institutions to apply and we hope you would be interested in contributing your knowledge to this important goal. We plan to provide up to 50 awards for scientists interested to contribute to the drug discovery for the SUDs. In addition to funding, NIDA will provide in-kind access to the industry-type R&D expertise, business strategy and commercialization support, and assistance in the company/startup formation, as needed. For more information, check website at <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DA-20-025.html> or contact Dr. Ram Arudchandran at [ramachandran.arudchandran@nih.gov](mailto:ramachandran.arudchandran@nih.gov).

Informational webinars will be offered on the following dates:

Thursday December 12th, 2019, 11:00am-12:00pmEST

<https://nih.webex.com/nih/j.php?MTID=m890d4b6cd9b7a89e19f0213ec9977c24>

Tuesday January 7th, 2020 Time: 11:00am-12:00pmEST

<https://nih.webex.com/nih/j.php?MTID=mc19f27a2144078a3b8b8e7bbd18a7b11>

**Survey on Innovation / Entrepreneurship**

This is an invitation from Oregon State University to participate in NSF-funded coalition to explore faculty members’ innovation, entrepreneurship, and technology-based transfer across US universities. It is completely voluntary. For more info, check

[Survey on Innovation / Entrepreneurship](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SsvgLs1jQaoTVou13hhJqWnNlXNggGDFX7vCMNKhkhc/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5dd6fddb)

**November 12, 2019**

**Funding Opportunities**

**HHMI-IE3 (Pre-proposal due: January 14, 2020)**

A group of us would like to explore a possible proposal in response to the

[**Inclusive Excellence New Competition Announcement**](https://www.hhmi.org/science-education/programs/inclusive-excellence-new-competition-announcement)

from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI).

The objective of the HHMI IE initiative is to challenge U.S. colleges and universities to substantially and sustainably increase their capacity for inclusion of all students, especially those students who belong to groups underrepresented in science. More information is available online at <https://www.hhmi.org/science-education/programs/inclusive-excellence-new-competition-announcement>​or you can check our google folder at [HHMI-IE3](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1XMVKo7ZNMEGXyByyHzwAKkHA9UTg7Acu?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5dca135e)

If you are interested in joining, let us know in email to [yrong@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:yrong@qc.cuny.edu) or indicate your interest at our webform​

| [**Indication of Interest**](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc71WnWKszji7nKnERObPk2sd1RUlp-GPC7z-6iuyWD8n7iJQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&usp=mail_form_link) |
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From Eva Fernandez and Y.R.

**Beckman Foundation Advanced Light-Sheet Microscopy Program (Pre-Proposal Due: March 6, 2020, 8 pm EST)**

The Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation is requesting proposals for a new program in Advanced Light-Sheet Microscopy. The Foundation is planning to make several awards in this program for $1.2M each. This is an open call for Pre-Proposals, with invited Full Proposals next year. More details at

[**Beckman\_Nov2019.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jK632YodpZeO4Qy5i2rHaehL_mJk-YM9/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5dcae447)

**Funding Opportunities from CUNY**

**CUNY Arts OER (Due: Nov. 25, 2019, midnight)**

Starting Spring 2020, [CUNY Arts](https://www1.cuny.edu/sites/cuny-arts/) will sponsor several Fellowships to support the development and dissemination of courses and innovative course projects that engage with a cultural institution in New York City . Those selected for the CUNY Arts OER Fellowship Program will be asked to share their work with CUNY colleagues, exchange ideas and approaches, and get and give feedback through a designated CUNY Arts OER website that will be housed on Academic Works and accessed through [OpenEd@CUNY](https://opened.cuny.edu/). ​

Applications must be submitted to CUNYArtsOER@gmail.com on November 25 at midnight.

Applicants must include the following:

Name, Title, Department, College, Title of course, Cultural Institution, as well as a 250 word abstract on how the applicant may incorporate a cultural institution into a course offered Spring 2020. Detailed info available at

[**CUNY ARTS OER Email**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qHJmlwiCCQ0qTHsubnLOJ7LcYE_S2BzqI91oslVNtIw/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5dcabf1c)and [**CUNY Arts OER\_proposal.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_lJG57KfR3bLwcrMuxVRia1Hk_hBI6zM/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5dc5c40b)

**Reminders for other upcoming funding deadlines from CUNY**

* [**Curricula Design in Public Interest Tech Using OER**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1A-7ZF-mRQBvLzrMBNdDRZ1cxGux88nk0/view?ts=5dbb1778) **(Due: Nov. 18, 2019)**
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* [**The CUNY Book Completion Award (BCA)**](http://www2.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/book-completion/) **(Due: Monday, Dec. 16, 2019 at 5.00pm)**
* [**The CUNY Junior Faculty Research Award in Science and Engineering program (JFRASE)**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/junior-faculty-research-awards/) **(Due: December 20, 2019)**

**Events and Training Opportunities**

**Grantsmanship Workshop III**

**Pivot and GrantForward: Best Practices for Funding Opportunity Databases at CUNY**

**Speaker:**  Daniel Siepmann, CUNY Research Foundation

**Date /Times:** Tuesday, December 3, 3-5pm

**Location:** Rosenthal Library room 227

**Sign up** at [Sign Up](https://forms.gle/NnU91MwbgGUdJF3j9)

**​Description.** Join RFCUNY's Office of Award Pre-Proposal Support (APPS) as they visit Queens College and share best practices for faculty and staff to discover the right grants for their ambitions. Learn about how to use Pivot and GrantForward to uncover new funding opportunities for your research, scholarship, or special projects, no matter the discipline or department. From "just getting started" to advanced techniques, attendees will become familiar with how to use these free CUNY resources, and locate the awards that match their needs. This talk will be hands-on, with attendees exploring these resources alongside the presenter.

[**CUNY I-Corps Innovation Lean Bootcamp Application**](http://www1.cuny.edu/sites/icorps/) **(due Sunday, December 16, 9PM)**

The CUNY I-Corps Innovation Lean Bootcamp is accepting applications for the Winter 2020 season to be held in Queens College. The two-week program provides teams with a real world, hands-on learning experience on how to successfully transfer ideas into products and services that benefit society. It utilizes the Lean Startup methodology to get students “out of the building” to conduct customer discovery.​ For registration and other additional information including eligibility, check <https://forms.gle/6A5qKVdkkRKZ3ebD7> Additional questions can be addressed to Ying Zhou at Ying.Zhou@qc.cuny.edu

**Women Entrepreneurship Conference 2020**

**When:** January 14th, 1:30 – 8:00pm

**Where:** Ganstravino’s. 409 E. 59th Street, New York, NY 10022​​

**Registration:** Free registration at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/womens-entrepreneurship-conference-tickets-77114532643>

**Contact:** ​Dr. Ying Zhou, Executive Director, Tech Incubator at Queens College, Ying.Zhou@qc.cuny.edu​​,

**Description:** ​This is an opportunity to hear inspiring and motivating speakers as well as a chance to network with experts and entrepreneurs. Registration is free​. More info is available at <https://nevertoolatetostartconference.com/wecnyc/>

**DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Research Ambassador**

Prof. Spreizer (German Program, Dept of European Languages & Literatures) is serving as a DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Research Ambassador for the 2019-2021 terms. She is available to answer questions and serve as a general resource for QC faculty and students interested in study, internships, or research in Germany, as well as in initiating collaborative projects with German universities and non-university institutions. Feel free to contact her to discuss your interests​ at [christine.spreizer@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:christine.spreizer@qc.cuny.edu)

A general link to funding opportunities in Germany:

<https://www.research-in-germany.org/en>

An overview of research collaboration opportunities:

<https://www.daad.org/en/university-cooperation/university-landscape-germany/>

**November 1, 2019**

**QC Internal Funding Announcement**

Dear Colleagues,

The Provost’s Office is pleased to announce two funding opportunities that will support your research and scholarship endeavors. They consist of the Research Enhancement Award program which is reactivated from our previous program, and the newly created Epsilon Award program.

These programs are created with funding from the Queens College Foundation, and with ideas from your feedback on research, input from the recently-formed Research Advisory Committee, the academic Deans, leadership in the Provost’s Office, as well as budgetary considerations. While we believe they provide the best use of our limited resources in supporting your research, future changes may be made as new opportunities arise.

Aside from these QC research program initiatives, please keep in mind of other internal support opportunities within CUNY, including the [PSC-CUNY Research Award Program](https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWEBSITE/principal-investigators/explore-pre-award-resources/internal-funding-psc-cuny-award-program/) and [CUNY’s Junior Faculty Research Award in Science and Engineering program (JFRASE)](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/junior-faculty-research-awards/). More importantly, you are encouraged to explore funding opportunities from external sources, and we will be happy to assist you as needed.

For details of the program announcements, including submission guidelines, please check the following

* [**Research Enhancement Award.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-cNJDUE5EjX9bYwxwXWModhziGPDGkXl/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5db5b162)
* [**Epsilon Award.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jbTE9GgL71xaztvfEza7ItVzc51Wcgot/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5db5b10d)

Elizabeth Hendrey, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Yongwu Rong, Associate Provost for Research and International Programs​

**Other Funding Opportunities from CUNY**

[**The CUNY Book Completion Award (BCA)**](http://www2.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/book-completion/) (**Due:** **Monday, Dec. 16, 2019 at 5.00pm**)

The CUNY Office of Research Book Completion Award (BCA) grant program is accepting proposals from faculty for book projects that are in the development and prospectus stage, as well as for manuscripts that have been accepted for publication and are nearing the completion and submission stage. Funds will be awarded on a competitive basis to faculty in the arts, humanities, social sciences and Professional school disciplines. For detailed information, including proposal guideline and template, please visit the BCA webpage: [**http://www2.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/book-completion/**](http://www2.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/book-completion/)

**Curricula Design in Public Interest Tech Using OER (Due: Nov. 18, 2019)**

Public Interest Technology (PIT) has been generally defined as technology for the public good. Since PIT is broadly defined, and an emerging discipline, there is a lack of available curricula that can be shared with the academic community in this area. Because of this, there is a need for shared curricula materials that can be adopted into university majors, general education offerings, tracks within a major, interdisciplinary minors, etc. This RFP calls for the creation of Open Educational Resources (OER) to create a body of curricula in PIT. We seek proposals from faculty in the humanities, public policy, law, and technology related areas, to create modules, courses, tracks within a major, minors, or majors in Public Interest Technology. More details at [RFP PIT OER.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1A-7ZF-mRQBvLzrMBNdDRZ1cxGux88nk0/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5dbb1778)

**Selected Funding Opportunities from NSF (some related to the 10 Big Ideas)**

[**NSF INCLUDES**](https://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/big_ideas/includes.jsp) (related to the 10 Big Ideas)

NSF INCLUDES Planning Grants are intended to build capacity in the community to undertake the activities necessary to establish future centers, alliances, or other large-scale networks to address a broadening participation challenge at scale <https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2019/nsf19600/nsf19600.htm> (Program Solicitation, Sept. 9, 2019)

NSF INCLUDES Planning Grants Solicitation - Q&A with NSF. Nov. 7, 2019, 1-2pm.

<https://www.includesnetwork.org/events/event-description?CalendarEventKey=75e45c36-b795-426e-b663-4e901799027e&CommunityKey=5e902dcd-362e-47be-a076-16bc71e2f038&Home=%2fgroups%2fgroup-home%2frecent-community-events>

[**Growing Convergence Research**](https://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/big_ideas/convergent.jsp) (related to the 10 Big Ideas)

The grand challenges of today -- protecting human health; understanding the food, energy, water nexus; exploring the universe at all scales -- will not be solved by one discipline alone. They require convergence: the merging of ideas, approaches and technologies from widely diverse fields of knowledge to stimulate innovation and discovery.

<https://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf19551> (Program Solicitation, Feb. 11, 2019)

[**Quantum Leap**](https://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/big_ideas/quantum.jsp) (related to the 10 Big Ideas)

Many of today's technologies -- lasers, computers, GPS and LEDs among them -- rely on the interaction of matter and energy at extremely small and discrete dimensions. By exploiting interactions of these quantum systems, next-generation technologies for sensing, computing, modeling and communicating will be more accurate and efficient. To reach these capabilities, researchers need understanding of quantum mechanics to observe, manipulate and control the behavior of particles and energy at dimensions at least a million times smaller than the width of a human hair.

<https://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf19559> (Program Announcement, Feb. 19, 2019)

[**Campus Cyberinfrastructure (CC\*)**](https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=504748)

The Campus Cyberinfrastructure (CC\*) program invests in coordinated campus-level networking and cyberinfrastructure improvements, innovation, integration, and engineering for science applications and distributed research projects. Learning and workforce development (LWD) in cyberinfrastructure is explicitly addressed in the program. Science-driven requirements are the primary motivation for any proposed activity. <https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=504748>

[**National Artificial Intelligence (AI) Research Institutes**](http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505686)

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has advanced tremendously and today promises personalized healthcare; enhanced national security; improved transportation; and more effective education, to name just a few benefits. Increased computing power, the availability of large datasets and streaming data, and algorithmic advances in machine learning (ML) have made it possible for AI development to create new sectors of the economy and revitalize industries. For solicitation, check <https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505686>

A program webinar is scheduled for November 7, 2019 at 3:30 PM Eastern time. Please refer to <https://www.nsf.gov/events/event_summ.jsp?cntn_id=299439>

[**Biology Integration Institutes (BII)**](https://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?WT.z_pims_id=505684&ods_key=nsf20508)LOI: Dec. 20, 2019 (Implementation Proposals only), Full Proposal Due: Feb. 6, 2020.In the last century, the study of biology has slowly fragmented into subdisciplines, creating a dynamic tension between unifying principles and increasingly reductionist pursuits. While interdisciplinary approaches to biology are not new, and have had notable successes, disciplines continue to evolve and emerge, forming new connections while at the same time reinforcing boundaries created by their language and culture differences. Integration across biological disciplines is essential if we hope to understand the diverse and ever-increasing data streams of modern biology and tackle emergent questions about living organisms and the environment.

Track 1) Design (Abbreviated proposals for up to $200,000 and no more than 2 years)

Track 2) Implementation (Full proposals for up to $12.5M and for five years)

**Grant Announcement Letter (GAL)** The October 2019 edition of the Grant Announcement Letter from the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) was sent out earlier from ORSP and is available at [**GAL-OCT 19.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1O4JnR7DUQZjrMgWfAEuVGUmJQPpMbb6-/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5dbbb0f5)

[**Two Scholarship Opportunities for Undergraduates in Division of Mathematics and Natural Sciences students**](https://www.qc.cuny.edu/Academics/Degrees/DMNS/Pages/Scholarship-2019.aspx) for Spring 2020 (Deadline, Dec. 2, 2019)

1. Kenneth Kupferberg Memorial Scholarship. Up to Ten $3,750 - $7,500 scholarships for in-state undergraduates to cover tuition, books and fees.

Selection Criteria: academic excellence, financial need, and whenever possible to be awarded to immigrants or children of immigrants as Kenneth Kupferberg was the child of immigrant parents.

1. Ira Spar Scholarship One or two scholarships ($6000 total) for the outstanding Pre-Med junior(s) or senior(s)

Selection Criteria: Merit and Financial Need. Registered and in good standing with the QC Health Professions Advisory Office

Details at: <https://www.qc.cuny.edu/Academics/Degrees/DMNS/Pages/Scholarship-2019.aspx>

Compiled by Poline Papoulis and Y.R.

**Events**

**NSF’s 10 Big Ideas.** Some colleagues have expressed interest in this talk, but could not make it, Prof. Yunping Jiang has now provided the ppt that is now available at:

[**Grantsmanshop NSF 10 Big Ideas 2019Oct22 YPJ.pptx**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1e0Ti_4yhGZzkZRHQIoPQycxYEWagd3Fv/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5db435f2)

In addition, some funding opportunities related to the 10 Big Ideas are provided above.

The next event, on the PSC-CUNY Research Award Program, wil be on Nov. 14, 3-5pm. Detailed info is below. Flyer available at

[**Flyer for the Grantsmanship Workshop**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1HkuVj__7h2cEdZ4Vc78GPWc9f4yjWMg4/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5da4740f)

**The PSC-CUNY Research Award Program**

**Speaker:**  Aleksandra Cataruzolo, PSC-CUNY

**Date /Times:** Thursday, November 14, 2019, 3-5pm.

**Location:** The Summit (The Flex Space)

**Sign up** at [Sign Up](https://forms.gle/NnU91MwbgGUdJF3j9)

**Description.** This will be an overview for the PSC-CUNY Research Award Program. The speaker, Aleksandra Cataruzolo, is a Program Administrator at PSC-CUNY and has been in charge of this program in recent years. Junior colleagues with less experience with this program are particularly encouraged to attend. More experienced colleagues are welcome as well and can share your own experience in addition to listening to the presentation. Refreshments provided.

**October 21, 2019**

**Internal Funding Opportunities from CUNY**

[**The CUNY Faculty Fellowship Publication Program (FFPP)**](https://www.cuny.edu/about/administration/offices/hr/recruitment-diversity/innovative-inclusive-programming/faculty-fellowship-publication-program/) **(Due, Oct. 25, 2019)**

The CUNY Faculty Fellowship Publication Program (FFPP) is sponsored by the Office of Recruitment and Diversity in order to advance CUNY’s institutional commitment to diversity. This University-wide initiative assists full-time untenured CUNY faculty (assistant professors) in the design and execution of writing projects essential to progress toward tenure. These projects may include research-based scholarly articles for juried journals, books for academic presses and creative writing projects. This program provides three credit hours of course release for the spring semester, a writing group, and the guidance of a senior faculty member. To be eligible, you must be untenured assistant professor hired on a tenure-track line, on or between September 2013 and September 2018, and meet additional criteria explained in the [Call for Proposal](https://www.cuny.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/page-assets/about/administration/offices/hr/recruitment-diversity/innovative-inclusive-programming/faculty-fellowship-publication-program/FFPP2019.Call-for-Proposals-Cover-Sheet.pdf)

[**PSC-CUNY Award Program**](https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWEBSITE/principal-investigators/explore-pre-award-resources/internal-funding-psc-cuny-award-program/) **(Due: December 15, 2019)**

This Award Program was established as a major vehicle to encourage and support faculty research. PSC-CUNY seeks to enhance the University's role as a research institution, further the professional growth and development of its faculty, and provide support for the established and junior scholar. Full-time members of the instructional staff, including Higher Education Officers (HEOs) and College Laboratory Technicians (CLTs) are eligible to apply for the PSC-CUNY Award Program.

[**The CUNY Junior Faculty Research Award in Science and Engineering program (JFRASE)**](https://www.cuny.edu/research/faculty-resources/internal-funding/junior-faculty-research-awards/) **(Due: December 20, 2019)**

The CUNY Junior Faculty Research Award in Science and Engineering program (JFRASE) aims to cultivate excellence and ensure the promise of research-intensive early career science and engineering faculty at CUNY. All untenured tenure-track junior faculty who have a promising and innovative research program in the life sciences, physical sciences, social sciences, mathematics, or engineering are eligible and encouraged to apply. Each CUNY Junior Faculty Fellow will receive a one-year $50,000 award. It is anticipated that four awards will be given in 2020.

[**The HEO-CLT Professional Development Fund**](https://www.psc-cuny.org/benefits/heo-clt-professional-development-fund) **(Due: Nov. 1 and five times a year)**

The HEO-CLT Professional Development Fund was won as part of the 2000-02 PSC/CUNY collective bargaining agreement and was the first time CUNY HEOs and CLTs were granted support for academic and professional pursuits. Grants of up to $3,000 are available to eligible applicants.

[**PSC-CUNY Adjunct-CET Professional Development Fund**](https://www.psc-cuny.org/benefits/adjunct-cet-professional-development-fund) **(Due: November 1, 2019)**

The PSC/CUNY Adjunct Professional Development Fund is one of the initiatives the Professional Staff Congress has won contractually. It represents the first time in CUNY’s history that a professional development grant program has been offered to adjuncts and is one of the first such programs in the country. Grants of up to $3,000 are available to adjunct faculty who are teaching six or more classroom contact hours in the semester and to continuing education teachers who are teaching a minimum of 20 hours per week. (Other eligibility criteria are explained in the guidelines) The grants can be used towards research, courses, conferences, field studies and other activities that will enhance your professional development.

**Reminder: Grantsmanship Workshop Series**

A gentle reminder for the two events. Details are below and at the

[**Flyer for the Grantsmanship Workshop**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1HkuVj__7h2cEdZ4Vc78GPWc9f4yjWMg4/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5da4740f)

**NSF Ten Big Ideas**

**Speaker:**  Dr. Yunping Jiang, Distinguished Professor of Mathematics.

**Date /Times:** Tuesday, October 22, 2019, 3-5pm,

**Location:** The Summit (The Flex Space)

**Sign up** at [Sign Up](https://forms.gle/NnU91MwbgGUdJF3j9)

**Description.** Since 2017, NSF has been building a foundation for [Ten Big Ideas](https://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/big_ideas/) through pioneering research and pilot activities. This presentation will be an overview of this initiative as well as other opportunities at NSF. The speaker, Dr. Yunping Jiang, Distinguished Professor of Mathematics, has served as an NSF Program Director in the past two years. Refreshments provided.

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**October 3, 2019**

**Queens College Grantsmanship Workshop Series**

In an effort to boost the competitiveness of grant and fellowship applications from faculty of Queens College, we are pleased to launch the Queens College Grantsmanship Workshop Series. This event series will focus on the techniques and strategies for successful grant and fellowship applications. It will include panel discussions by experienced colleagues, presentations from funding agencies, as well as other types of events that could enhance the research and scholarship of QC faculty. Our first two events will be two presentations, one on NSF and one on PSC-CUNY grant program. The details are as follows.

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**Research Advisory Committee**

We are pleased to inform you that the following colleagues have agreed to serve in our Research Advisory Committee. This follows from various nominations, followed by endorsements from your Deans and Chairs. Due to the limited space in the committee and the need for overall balance, we could not include many other highly qualified colleagues who were nominated. But we expect this to be an inaugural committee of its kind, and will appreciate your continued engagements in the coming years.

If you have any thoughts on enhancing our research, please feel welcome to contact any committee member of your division, You can also provide your feedback on our webform

[**​Your Feedback on Research**](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScku8BGwVP6Ba64N5rx7jKckWJ8eFpN5TFznRD-ji0kGiho7g/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&usp=mail_form_link) or contact me directly.

Queens College Research Advisory Committee (Fall 2019 - Spring 2020)

Prof. Elissa Bemporad (History)​

Prof. Stephen Farenga (SEYS)

Prof. Nancy Foasberg (Library)

Prof. Yunping Jiang (Mathematics)

Prof. Richard Maxwell (Media Studies)

Prof. Greg O'Mullan (SEES)

Prof. Francesc Ortega (Economics)

Prof. Tim Pugh (Anthropology)

Prof. Carolyn Pytte (Psychology)

Prof. Talia Schaffer (English)

Prof. Greg Sholette (Art)

Prof. Patricia Velasco ((EECE)

Prof​​. Peishi Wang (ECP)

[**2nd annual Diversity & Inclusion Research Conference**](https://tech.us12.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e23ccfec4d95d48788d56da1b&id=a546634bac&e=882940fe16) **(DIRC19)**

**Date:** Nov. 7, 2019

**Location:** CUNY Graduate Center, at 365 5th Avenue

**Sign Up** at [Register](https://tech.us12.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e23ccfec4d95d48788d56da1b&id=d16ec13556&e=882940fe16)

**Description.** The [2nd annual Diversity & Inclusion Research Conference](https://tech.us12.list-manage.com/track/click?u=e23ccfec4d95d48788d56da1b&id=a546634bac&e=882940fe16) (DIRC19) will take place on Nov. 7, 2019, at CUNY Graduate Center at 365 5th Avenue. It will feature an incredible roster of speakers from academia, corporation, foundations, government agencies and entities, and it will include a number of attendee activities such as a VR experience and free headshots. This event is free for CUNY faculty and staff.​

**NSF Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences (SBE) Repositioning**

NSF Social, Behavioral, and Economic sciences Directorate (SBE) has announced a repositioning of some of its basic research programs, as described in this [**Dear Colleague Letter**.](https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2019/nsf19089/nsf19089.jsp?org=NSF)

SBE is hosting a series of webinars and virtual office hours to present details about what the repositioning means for SBE research communities.

Monday, September 30th 4:00-5:00pm EDT [**SBE Repositioning Webinar**](https://www.nsf.gov/cgi-bin/good-bye?http://www.tvworldwide.com/events/nsf/190930/)

Wednesday, October 9th 3:00-4:00pm EDT [**SBE Repositioning Webinar**](https://www.nsf.gov/cgi-bin/good-bye?https://nsf2.webex.com/nsf2/onstage/g.php?MTID=e0f05d811b189194a2e700f05ca4cb435)

Tuesday, October 15th 2:00-3:00pm EDT[**Virtual Office Hours**](https://www.nsf.gov/cgi-bin/good-bye?https://nsf2.webex.com/nsf2/onstage/g.php?MTID=edc87e995419932dcf252552737b35002)

Wednesday, October 25th 2:00-3:00pm EDT [**Virtual Office Hours**](https://www.nsf.gov/cgi-bin/good-bye?https://nsf2.webex.com/nsf2/onstage/g.php?MTID=eca123e090577fa4cd61c6d9c5e8d3fa2)

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**Feature Your Research at SUM.** [**CUNY SUM**](https://sum.cuny.edu/)\*\* covers books, research, and other major achievements by faculty and students at the City University of New York (CUNY). If you are a CUNY student or faculty member who has recently published scholarly or literary work, or recently performed or exhibited creative work, you are invited to submit you research online for consideration to be featured on SUM. Submissions are accepted at [**https://sum.cuny.edu/about/submit-research/**](https://sum.cuny.edu/about/submit-research/)You can also subscribe to their newsletter at [**https://sum.cuny.edu/subscribe/**](https://sum.cuny.edu/subscribe/)

\*\* SUM is not an acronym. In Latin, it means “I am.” In English, it means “the total.”

**September 6, 2019**

[**The PSC-CUNY Grants Proposal System**](https://rfcuny.org/gp/welcome.aspx)is now open for application submissions. Applications for Traditional A, Traditional B and Enhanced Awards can be submitted online during September 5 - December 15, 2019. More information available at [**https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/principal-investigators/explore-pre-award-resources/internal-funding-psc-cuny-award-program/**](https://www.rfcuny.org/RFWebsite/principal-investigators/explore-pre-award-resources/internal-funding-psc-cuny-award-program/).

We are working with PSC CUNY to arrange a presentation by them on this program. Ther tentative date is Thursday, November 14, 2019. We will get back with full information on the time and location once this is finalized.

**Grant Announcement Letter (GAL)** The August 2019 edition of the Grant Announcement Letter from the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) was sent out earlier from ORSP and is available at [**GAL-AUG 19.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1OgcERDCBS3DrChvV8TNaRfYrMqJgyiae/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5d727c61)

**ASRC SEED Program (for lab science)** The Advanced Science Research Center (ASRC) at the Graduate Center, CUNY announces its 2019 Seed Program — a funding opportunity for CUNY faculty to leverage the analytical and human resources at the ASRC. From 2015-2018, the ASRC Seed Program has provided grants to 49 faculty at 12 CUNY schools. This year, we will award grants to tenured, tenure-track, and research-track faculty at CUNY campuses proposing collaborative research projects with faculty at the ASRC. Eight awards at $15,000 each are expected. **Submission Deadline: Monday, September 30, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.** More information is available at [the online proposal submission form](http://go.pardot.com/e/342661/forms-asrc-seedprogram-2019/7sddp/158563744?h=qVnwyp9ZZJt5DAibYPsHT6i0NDeK744afrdpER3glAg).

**The Center for Humanities,** which is part of the CUNY Graduate Center, encourages collaborative and creative work in the humanities at CUNY and across the city through seminars, conferences, publications and exhibitions. It hosts a variety of events, published at <https://www.centerforthehumanities.org/programming/calendar>.​It also provides funding for [Seminar on Public Engagement and Collaborative Research](https://www.centerforthehumanities.org/programming/call-for-cuny-faculty-applications-seminar-on-public-engagement-and-collaborative-research). The application is due Mon, Sep 30, 2019. An information session on the seminar will be held on Tuesday, September 10th, 4:15-6:15pm, in Room 9205 at the Graduate Center. Register at [RSVP​](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/information-session-2019-2022-seminar-on-public-engagement-collaboration-tickets-70621957175)

**NAEd Spencer Fellowship Program** The National Academy of Education (NAEd)/are now accepting applications for their Spencer Fellowship Programs. This includes the [**Dissertation Fellowship Program**](https://weblaunch.blifax.com/listener3/redirect?l=fdc34682-7fe5-4bf4-a40c-e2cdf80317d8&id=296ffaa8-e2c8-e911-acc4-000c295a2555&u=https%3a%2f%2fnaeducation.org%2fnaedspencer-dissertation-fellowship-program%2f) (for doctor’s students) and the [**Postdoctoral Fellowship Program**](https://weblaunch.blifax.com/listener3/redirect?l=9b99b8db-a05a-4f2b-82e2-1b4c50a69a5d&id=296ffaa8-e2c8-e911-acc4-000c295a2555&u=https%3a%2f%2fnaeducation.org%2fnaedspencer-postdoctoral-fellowship-program%2f) (for junior researchers with PhD/EdD or equivalent received during 2014-2018). Applications from all disciplines are encouraged. For more information, check the [**Spencer Fellowship Program website**](https://services.blimessaging.com/201208/viewaswebpage/viewaswebpage.aspx?unqid=296ffaa8-e2c8-e911-acc4-000c295a2555).

**August 26, 2019**

**Training Workshop for NIH Grant Application.** John Jay College and Provost Yi Li extend an invitation to QC faculty to attend a two day workshop designed to train faculty to write more successful NIH grant applications. The workshop is free of charge and will take place on October 24-25. To register, send email to Rachel Friedman at rfriedman@jjay.cuny.edu. More information can be found at [**IMERS Flyer - Oct 24-25.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yKLnW7JV3ibl1shdFpmIMHC4rbRokBaI/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5d6302a2)

If anyone has the interest but is unable to make it, a similar workshop is held at the [**University of Kentucky**](https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9nukhomDqaiUwpD) with all expenses covered. Let me know if any question.

**Grant Announcement Letter (GAL)** The July 2019 edition of the Grant Announcement Letter from the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) was sent out earlier from ORSP and is available at [**GAL-July19.pdf**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/13389m2RXg5uB86zZ6JOBcf_ynx5giQEv/view?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5d63026a)

**ACLS Competitions and Deadlines** The American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) is one of the leading private institutions supporting scholars in the humanities and related social sciences at the doctoral and postdoctoral levels. It has just provided an updated list of competitions and deadlines for the 2019-20 competitions. The online fellowship and grant administration (OFA) system is now open for applications to these programs. More information is available at [**https://www.acls.org/Fellowship-and-Grant-Programs/Competitions-and-Deadlines**](https://www.acls.org/Fellowship-and-Grant-Programs/Competitions-and-Deadlines)

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**Proposal Peer Review Service by RF-APPS** The Proposal Proposal Peer Review service, provided by the Office of Award Pre-Proposal Support (APPS) of CUNY Research Foundation, has been upgraded and expanded. This is a great service aimed at strengthening the competitiveness of external proposals from our colleagues. More information can be found in the [**Message from Dr. John Tsapogas**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1szAs_3W8niE_8T4X9YzB2fX53VcNzYzdn_CeSl0mjug/edit?usp=sharing_eil&ts=5d62f94f)

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(or you can copy and paste [**https://forms.gle/qygtrL8SemiJU3399**](https://forms.gle/qygtrL8SemiJU3399)to your web browser)

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