

**Grants Resource Center Funding Competitiveness Conference**  
**UWL Webinar Schedule, February 20-23, 2018**  
*All sessions will be broadcast from **243 Graff Main Hall**.*

**Tuesday, February 20**

<i>Time</i>	<i>Session Description</i>
1:00-1:45 pm	<p><b>National Institutes of Health (NIH) Update</b></p> <p>This session will address emerging issues associated with <a href="#">extramural research</a> at NIH.  <i>Presenter:</i> Michael Lauer, Deputy Director for Extramural Research, NIH</p>

**Wednesday, February 21**

7:45-9:00 am	<p><b>Federal Update</b></p> <p>This session will help us understand the federal funding outlook for FY 18 and beyond.  <i>Presenters:</i> Michael Zola, Vice President, Government Relations &amp; Policy Analysis, AASCU            Barmak Nassirian, Director, Federal Relations &amp; Policy Analysis, AASCU</p>
10:20-11:15 am	<p><b>National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Preservation &amp; Access for Cultural Collections</b></p> <p>Colleges and universities often house unique cultural collections that hold value to humanities researchers as well as surrounding communities. NEH offers grants to preserve and make these materials available, including collections of books, serials, manuscripts, sound recordings, still and moving images, works of art, objects of material culture, and rapidly expanding digital collections.  <i>Presenter:</i> Cathleen Tefft, Program Officer, <a href="#">Division of Preservation &amp; Access</a>, NEH</p>
12:30-1:20 pm	<p><b>Educators in the Wild: Overview of the National Education Association (NEA) Foundation</b></p> <p>This session will highlight the <a href="#">NEA Foundation's</a> funding opportunities for educators and programs crafted to drive student success. Attendees will learn about successfully funded projects to help expand the conversation with faculty and future teachers.  <i>Presenter:</i> Jesse Graytock, Grants Program Manager, NEA Foundation</p>
2:30-3:20 pm	<p><b>Using Fulbright Programs as a Resource for Campus Internationalization</b></p> <p><a href="#">Fulbright</a> offers scholarly opportunities for US citizens to go abroad and for non-US citizens to come to the US. A Fulbright Specialist from the Institute of International Education (IIE) will discuss the Fulbright experience as a resource for campus internationalization and the life changing value of several Fulbright programs.  <i>Presenter:</i> Sarah Causer, Outreach &amp; Recruitment Analyst, IIE</p>
3:30-4:20 pm	<p><b>National Institute of Justice (NIJ) Research Funding &amp; Fellowship Opportunities</b></p> <p><a href="#">NIJ</a> is committed to transforming the criminal justice field by fostering science-based criminal justice practices that support rigorous scientific research to ensure the safety of families, neighborhoods, and communities. This presentation will highlight NIJ grants and fellowships.  <i>Presenter:</i> Renee Cooper, Supervisory Grants Management Specialist, NIJ, US Department of Justice</p>

**Thursday, February 22**

7:30-8:30 am	<p><b>Finding Success with the Agency for Healthcare Research &amp; Quality (AHRQ)</b></p> <p><a href="#">AHRQ</a> is tasked with producing evidence to make healthcare safer, accessible, and affordable. Attendees will hear about research grant opportunities, and training and career development grants for researchers who are interested in health services research.  <i>Presenter:</i> C. Jean Hsieh, Staff Fellow/Program Officer, Office of Extramural Research, Education, &amp; Priority Populations, AHRQ</p>
9:50-10:50 am	<p><b>Higher Education Updates from the ED Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE)</b></p> <p>The <a href="#">US Department of Education's (ED) OPE</a> houses some of the most important grant programs within the federal government. This session will highlight the ongoing developments within OPE in FY 18 and beyond.  <i>Presenter:</i> Adam Kissel, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Higher Education Programs, ED</p>

**Thursday, February 22 (continued)**

<i>Time</i>	<i>Session Description</i>
12:30-1:20 pm	<b>Higher Education Initiatives at the Bill &amp; Melinda Gates Foundation</b> Founded in 2000, the <a href="#">Gates Foundation</a> is one of the largest and most influential private philanthropic foundations in the world. The foundation works to enhance healthcare, reduce extreme poverty, and expand education access and opportunities for people around the world. This session will present the foundation's higher education initiatives and provide guidance for applying to and working with the foundation. <i>Presenter:</i> Travis Reindl, Senior Communications Officer, Postsecondary Success, US Policy, Advocacy, & Communications, Gates Foundation
1:30-2:20 pm	<b>Funding Opportunities in NSF's Social, Behavioral, &amp; Economic (SBE) Sciences Directorate</b> This session will provide an update of social science research funded by NSF. It will provide an overview of the <a href="#">SBE Directorate</a> , which supports research into human behavior; social organizations; and social, economic, political, cultural, and environmental forces. <i>Presenter:</i> Tamera Schneider, Deputy Division Director, Behavioral & Cognitive Sciences, NSF
2:30-3:20 pm	<b>National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Visual Arts Support</b> NEA is committed to supporting visual and performing arts activities that demonstrate exceptional aesthetic investigation and meaningful community engagement. Institutions of higher education (IHEs) have unique resources and capabilities in the visual and performing arts as well as unique connections with their surrounding communities. This session will discuss how IHEs can use their unique resources and relationships to collaborate with NEA. <i>Presenters:</i> Meg Brennan, Visual Arts Specialist, NEA Carol Lanoux Lee, Musical Theater/Theater Specialist, NEA
3:30-4:20 pm	<b>International Potpourri</b> This session will present funding programs within international organizations focused on various countries or regions. <i>Presenters:</i> Amanda Rohm Daquila, Program Director, Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange for Young Professionals, <a href="#">Cultural Vistas</a> Sally Yerkovich, Director of Special Projects, <a href="#">American Scandinavian Foundation</a>

**Friday, February 23**

7:30-8:45 am	<b>National Science Foundation (NSF) Update</b> This session will cover recent policy and program changes at <a href="#">NSF</a> , including new capabilities for proposal preparation and submission in Research.gov and the newest version of the Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG). <i>Presenter:</i> Jean Feldman, Head, Policy Office, NSF
9:00-10:15 am	<b>Substance Abuse &amp; Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Grant Programs</b> <a href="#">SAMHSA</a> leads public health efforts to advance the behavioral health of the nation. SAMHSA's mission is to reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness on America's communities. The agency has funding opportunities specially for institutions of higher education, which this session will highlight. <i>Presenters:</i> Rosalyn Blogier, Public Health Advisor & Suicide Prevention Branch/Campus Team Coordinator, SAMHSA Judith Ellis, Lead Public Health Advisor, Community Grants & Program Development Branch, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, SAMHSA