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Carol Dobrunz Endowment Fund

Funding agency: UW-L Foundation

Program summary: This fund supports conference costs for non-tenured faculty or instructional academic staff (IAS) without an indefinite appointment. The recipient must meet the following criteria: 1) must be employed at UW-L with at least a 75 percent appointment; 2) must be either a non-tenured faculty member or a member of instruction academic staff without an indefinite appointment; 3) must be attending a national conference within her/his discipline; and 4) may not have previously received this award. The amount of each annual award is determined by the committee based on the amount available from the fund but can be up to $1,000. To be eligible, the conference in the application must occur between July 1 and June 30 of the upcoming year.

Deadline: March 27, 2015

Full description: http://www.uwlax.edu/Grants/UW-La-Crosse-Foundation/

Small Grants

Funding agency: UW-L Foundation

Program summary: Through its Small Grants program, the Foundation provides grants for instruction, research, and public service. Any member of the university community may apply. Applications from students and/or campus organizations must be endorsed by a UW-L faculty or staff member. Funding priorities include demonstrating innovation and excitement for furthering specific aspects of the UW-L mission; supporting an innovative idea or project that is seeking seed money for a start-up, pilot, and/or proof-of-concept; supporting an institutional priority; encouraging future students’ interest in UW-L; encouraging potential donors’ interest in UW-L; impacting a large number of students, staff, and community members; or representing a project that would likely result in long-range support for UW-L (i.e., building relationships that could result in creating future donors and/or community collaborations).

Deadline: March 27, 2015

Full description: http://www.uwlax.edu/Grants/UW-La-Crosse-Foundation-Small-Grants-Program/

Challenge America Grants

Funding agency: National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

Program summary: NEA awards up to $10,000 of support primarily to small and mid-sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations whose access is limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Fast-Track grants are available for engagement; promotion of community-wide arts activities and resources; and development of professionally directed public art projects. One-to-one match is required. Submission is limited to one application per institution.

Deadline: April 16, 2015

Full description: http://arts.gov/grants-organizations/challenge-america/grant-program-description

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Fichter Research Grants (Research on Women and Religion)

Funding agency: Association for the Sociology of Religion (ASR)

Program summary: ASR supports scholars involved in the area of women and religion; this includes religion and gender issues, and feminist perspectives on religion. Travel assistance, funds for the hiring of a research assistant, and attainment of computer software packages not supported by universities are available. Scholars at the beginning of their careers are particularly encouraged to apply for awards between $12,000 and $24,000. Membership is required for consideration.

Deadline: May 1, 2015

Full description: http://www.sociologyofreligion.com/lectures-papers/fichter-research-grant-competition/

Humanities Fellowships

Funding agency: National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Program summary: NEH supports individuals pursuing advanced research in the humanities that contributes to scholarly knowledge or to the general public’s understanding of the humanities. Scholarly articles, monographs on specialized subjects, books on broad topics, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly tools are supported. Fellowships support full-time work for 6-12 continuous months, and each stipend is up to $50,400 for a twelve-month period. NEH also offers Fellowships for Advanced Social Science Research on Japan.

Deadline: April 30, 2015

Full description: http://www.neh.gov/grants/research/fellowships

Preservation and Access Education and Training Grants

Funding agency: National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Program summary: NEH supports education and training programs at the national or regional (multi-state) level that focus on the care and management of and the creation of intellectual access to library, archival, and material culture collections. Grants are also made to support regional preservation field services that provide surveys, consultations, workshops, reference services, and informational materials to the staff of institutions responsible for the care of humanities collections. Awards are normally for two years, and grants to preservation field service organizations are awarded up to $175,000 per year; other applicants will receive a maximum award of $100,000 per year.

Deadline: May 5, 2015


Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions

Funding agency: National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Program summary: NEH provides up to $6,000 for a period of 18 months to assist small and mid-size institutions, such as libraries and archives, to enhance their capacity to preserve humanities collections used for research, education, and public programming. Collections may include books, papers, maps, journals, photos, moving pictures, recorded sounds, manuscripts, and others. Awards may be used for consultation, assessment, training, supplies, and equipment. Submission is limited to one application per institution per year.

Deadline: May 5, 2015

Full description: http://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/preservation-assistance-grants-smaller-institutions
Building and Enhancing Criminal Justice Researcher-Practitioner Partnerships

*Funding agency:* US Department of Justice (DOJ)

*Program summary:* Through the DOJ, the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) supports multiple criminal justice research projects involving researcher-practitioner partnerships. The project’s focus should be on supporting criminal justice research and evaluation activities that include a researcher-practitioner partnership component. Proposals must fall under one of the following program areas: Junior Faculty Grant Program to Promote Criminal Justice Researcher-Practitioner Partnerships and Criminal Justice Researcher-Practitioner Fellowship Placement Program.

*Deadline:* April 20, 2015


Grants and Fellowships in Youth Development Research

*Funding agency:* William T. Grant Foundation

*Program summary:* The foundation supports grants and two fellowship programs for early and mid-career scholars research that enhances the understanding of how youth settings work, how they affect youth development, how they can be improved, and when, how, and under what conditions research evidence is used. The Scholars Program focuses on professional development for early-career researchers, and the Distinguished Fellows Program focuses on mid-career professionals. Research Grants support theory-building and empirical research projects on reducing inequality in youth outcomes or increase our understanding of the use of research evidence in policy and practice.

*Deadlines:* Letters of inquiry (LOI) for Research Grants and the Distinguished Fellow Program are due May 5, 2015; August 4, 2015; and January 6, 2016

Full applications for the Scholars Program are due July 8, 2015


Research and Evaluation on Domestic Radicalization to Violent Extremism

*Funding agency:* US Department of Justice (DOJ)

*Program summary:* The DOJ supports research that will help criminal justice agencies and their attendant communities to implement programs that prevent or counter all forms of radicalization to violent extremism in the US. Proposals should respond to at least one of the following focus areas: re-examining radicalization originating in the US; disengagement and de-radicalization; violent extremism and gangs; analogies and prevention; role of the internet and online discourse in radicalization; and evaluations of promising practices to prevent or mitigate radicalization.

*Deadline:* April 21, 2015


Research and Evaluation on Investigation and Adjudication of Campus Sexual Assault

*Funding agency:* US Department of Justice (DOJ)

*Program summary:* This particular program is interested in identifying promising practices related to the investigation and adjudication of sexual assaults on college campuses. The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) is seeking proposals to examine current or new investigation practices and protocols used in the handling of campus sexual assault cases and/or current or new adjudication practices and protocols used in the handling of campus sexual assault cases.

*Deadline:* April 6, 2015

Research and Evaluation on Justice Systems

**Funding agency:** US Department of Justice (DOJ)

**Program summary:** Through the DOJ, the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) encourages the submission of investigator-initiated proposals that focus on social and behavioral research on crime and justice topics relevant to criminal justice policy and practice in the US. NIJ expects scholarly products to result from each award under this solicitation.

**Deadline:** April 15, 2015

**Full description:** [http://www.nij.gov/funding/pages/current.aspx](http://www.nij.gov/funding/pages/current.aspx)

STEM-Focused Education Grants

**Funding agency:** American Honda Foundation

**Program summary:** The American Honda Foundation supports projects that meet the needs of youth education in the STEM fields. Past funded projects have included job training and math, science, technology, and environmental education improvement, including curriculum development. The foundation’s emphasis is on broad, innovative, and forward-thinking projects with a national scope. Grants range between $20,000 and $75,000. Submissions are limited to one application per 12 month period.

**Deadlines:** May 1, 2015; August 1, 2015; November 1, 2015; February 1, 2016 (annually recurring)


Grand Challenges Explorations

**Funding agency:** Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

**Program summary:** The Gates Foundation encourages innovative and unconventional global health and development solutions. Applicants can be at any experience level, in any discipline, and from any organization, including colleges and universities. Proposals are being accepted for the following topics: Addressing Newborn and Infant Gut Health Through Bacteriophage-Mediated Microbiome Engineering; Exploring New Ways to Measure Delivery and Use of Digital Financial Services Data; Surveillance Tools, Diagnostics, and an Artificial Diet to Support New Approaches to Vector Control; New Approaches for Addressing Outdoor/Residual Malaria Transmission; Reducing Pneumonia Fatalities through Innovations that Improve Pneumonia Diagnosis & Referral of Malnourished Children; and Enabling Merchant Acceptance of Mobile Money Payments. Initial grants will be for $100,000 each, and projects showing promise will have the opportunity to receive additional funding of up to $1 million.

**Deadline:** May 13, 2015

**Full description:** [http://grandchallenges.org/grant-opportunities.html](http://grandchallenges.org/grant-opportunities.html)

Alcohol Education Project Grants

**Funding agency:** National Institutes of Health (NIH)

**Program summary:** The over-arching goal of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) R25 program is to foster a better understanding of biomedical, behavioral, and clinical research and its implications. To accomplish the stated overarching goal, this solicitation will support creative educational activities with a primary focus on Curriculum or Methods Development and Outreach activities for Health Professionals.

**Deadlines:** May 25, 2015; September 25, 2015; January 25, 2016 (annually recurring)

Research Initiative for Scientific Enhancement (RISE)

Funding agency: National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Program summary: The program supports research education grants (R25) focused on developing new or expanding existing institutional developmental programs designed to academically and scientifically prepare underrepresented (UR) students in the biomedical or behavioral sciences for competitive research careers. Eligibility requires that campuses emphasize a historical mission of educating UR students or that the university can document the campus’s record of recruiting, retaining, and graduating UR students.

Deadline: May 28, 2015


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Anthropology Grant Programs

Funding agency: Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research

Program summary: The Wenner-Gren Foundation supports anthropological research and writing. The Post-PhD Research Grants program awards up to $20,000 to individuals holding a PhD or equivalent degree to support individual research projects. The foundation supports research that demonstrates a clear link to anthropological theory and debates, and promises to make a solid contribution to advancing these ideas. There is no preference for any methodology, research location, or subfield. Conference and Workshop Grants award up to $20,000 to support international scholars to develop anthropological knowledge and debates.

Deadlines: Post-PhD Research Grant due May 1, 2015; November 1, 2015
Conference and Workshop Grants due June 1, 2015; December 1, 2015

Full description: [http://www.wennergren.org/grantprograms/3](http://www.wennergren.org/grantprograms/3)

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Agricultural Academic/Scholarly Research Grants

Funding agency: Great Plains Center for Agricultural Research

Program summary: This small grant program is intended to serve as an incubator for new agricultural health and safety research, prevention, intervention, community outreach, and translation projects that have high likelihood of leading to more comprehensive projects or activities. Academic/scholarly grant applications should have a specific scientific hypothesis and should aim to advance the state of scientific knowledge relevant to the prevention of agricultural illness and injury. The maximum budget for a project is $20,000 in total costs.

Deadline: full application due April 1, 2015


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**Cyberlearning and Future Learning Technologies Grants**

*Funding agency:* National Science Foundation (NSF)

*Program summary:* The purpose of the program is to integrate opportunities offered by emerging technologies with advances in what is known about how people learn to advance three interconnected thrusts: innovation, advancing understanding of how people learn in technology-rich learning environments, and promoting broad use and transferability of new genres. Awards will be made in three research categories, each focusing on a different stage of research and development: Exploration (EXP), Design and Implementation (DIP), and Integration (INT). The program will also support small Capacity-Building Projects (CAP) (e.g., conferences, workshops, and partnership-building activities), and will continue to participate in NSF’s foundation-wide programs: EAGER, RAPID, INSPIRE, and CAREER.

*Deadlines:* Capacity-Building Projects full proposal due March 27, 2015; July 31, 2015; December 7, 2015

Integration Projects letters of intent (LOIs) due May 11, 2015; full proposal due July 13, 2015

Exploration Projects full proposal due December 18, 2015

Development and Implementation full proposal due January 18, 2016


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**Jean Dreyfus Boissevain Lectureship for Undergraduate Institutions**

*Funding agency:* Dreyfus Foundation

*Program summary:* The foundation supports proposals to bring a leading researcher to a primarily undergraduate institution to give a series of lectures in the chemical sciences. The lecturer is expected to substantially interact with undergraduate students and faculty over the period of the visit. This grant will provide funds to host the speaker and support summer research opportunities for two undergraduate students. Eligible departments must grant a BS or MS degree in chemistry, but not a PhD. The total amount of the award total is $18,500.

*Deadline:* May 18, 2015


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**Large-Scale Sequencing and Synthetic Biology Grants**

*Funding agency:* Joint Genomic Institute via the US Department of Energy (DOE)

*Program summary:* The JGI’s Community Science Program (CSP) is now accepting letters of intent (LOIs) for large-scale sequence-based genomic science projects that address questions of relevance to DOE missions in sustainable biofuel production, global carbon cycling, and biogeochemistry. While applications will be accepted that address any aspect of the DOE mission areas, special consideration for this call will be given to projects that address the following areas of special emphasis and exploit the diversity of DOE JGI capabilities: functional genomics and microbiomes of DOE JGI flagship plants; function-driven microbial genomics; extreme environments including deep subsurface; and DNA synthesis projects.

*Deadlines:* Letters of intent (LOIs) due April 16, 2015; invited proposals due July 2, 2015


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Mathematics Travel Grants for Women Researchers

**Funding agency:** Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM)

**Program summary:** The purpose of the travel grants is to enhance the research activities of women mathematicians and increase their visibility in various research venues. Mathematics travel grants for women researchers and educators enable women to attend conferences in fields supported by the NSF’s Mathematical Sciences Division. Up to $2,300 is available for domestic travel, and up to $3,500 is available for foreign travel.

**Deadlines:** Travel and Education Research Travel Grants due May 1, 2015; October 1, 2015; February 1, 2016 (annually recurring)

**Full description:** [https://sites.google.com/site/awmmath/programs/travel-grants](https://sites.google.com/site/awmmath/programs/travel-grants)

National Institute of Justice Grants

**Funding agency:** US Department of Justice (DOJ)

**Program summary:** Under the DOJ, the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) is accepting applications in several topic areas, including research and evaluation on violence against women/intimate partner violence; abuse, neglect, and exploitation of elderly individuals; forensic science for criminal justice purposes; social science research on implementation and incorporation in policy decisions; and other areas.

**Deadlines:** Research and Evaluation on Violence against Women/Intimate Partner Violence due April 7, 2015

Research and Evaluation on the Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation of Elderly Individuals due April 7, 2015

Research and Development in Forensic Science for Criminal Justice Purposes due April 8, 2015

Social Science Research on Implementation, Dissemination, and Translation due April 9, 2015

**Full description:** [http://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/CurrentFundingOpportunities.htm](http://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/CurrentFundingOpportunities.htm)

NSF Research Traineeship Program

**Funding agency:** National Science Foundation (NSF)

**Program summary:** The NRT program seeks proposals that ensure graduate students in research-based master’s programs develop the skills, knowledge, and competencies needed to pursue a range of STEM careers. The Traineeship Track is dedicated to effective training of STEM graduate students in high priority interdisciplinary research areas through the use of a comprehensive traineeship model that is innovative, evidence-based, aligned with changing workforce and research needs, and scalable. For this solicitation, the Traineeship Track has one priority interdisciplinary research theme — Data-Enabled Science and Engineering (DESE). Proposals are encouraged also on any non-DESE interdisciplinary research theme that is a national priority. The IGE Track supports piloting, testing, and evaluating of novel, innovative, and potentially transformative approaches to graduate education, both disciplinary and interdisciplinary, to generate the knowledge required for their customization, implementation, and broader adoption.

**Deadlines:** Both tracks: Letters of intent (LOIs) due March 25, 2015; full proposals due May 6, 2015

LOIs due December 22, 2015; full proposals due February 22, 2016


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Research Experiences for Undergraduates

Funding agency: National Science Foundation (NSF)

Program summary: The program supports undergraduate research participation in areas funded by NSF through two mechanisms: (1) REU Sites support independent projects to initiate and conduct research projects involving a number of undergraduates. (2) REU Supplements support the addition of undergraduates to ongoing, new, or renewal NSF-funded projects (deadlines vary). Approximately 180 new site awards and 1,600 new supplement awards are granted yearly.

Deadline: Full proposal due August 26, 2015


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STEM + Computing Partnerships Grants

Funding agency: National Science Foundation (NSF)

Program summary: The STEM+C Partnerships program seeks to significantly enhance the learning and teaching of science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), and computing by K-12 students and teachers, through research on, and development of, courses, curriculum, course materials, pedagogies, instructional strategies, or models that innovatively integrate computing into one or more STEM disciplines, or integrate STEM content into the teaching and learning of computing. STEM+C Partnerships combine and advance the efforts of both the former Math and Science Partnership (MSP) and the former Computing Education for the 21st Century (CE21) programs.

Deadline: April 14, 2015 (second Tuesday in March annually thereafter)


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Grants 101

Grant Submission Timeline: Developing a Competitive Proposal & Minimizing Headaches

If you are looking for a recipe for grant application development that yields the fewest headaches (both figurative and literal), look no further than the UW-L grant submission timeline and checklist. As one of several tools developed to simplify the application process on campus, it provides an overview of the optimum timing for grant development. There are several reasons to use the timeline as a guide:

1. Funding agency requirements

Veteran grant seekers have experienced that application development extends well beyond writing a compelling narrative and building a well-justified budget. Requirements vary widely by funding agency but typically include supplementary documentation and compliance checks, and thus substantial effort and time. For example, private foundations often require documentation of non-profit status, copies of financial audits, organizational budgets, and a board of directors list. Federal agencies frequently require the completion of certain training and/or disclosures before submission (e.g., financial conflict of interest), current and pending support forms, descriptions of institutional resources and support, data management plans, and biographical sketches.

2. Compliance review

The UW-L grant transmittal form, which is required for all extramural grants and contracts, lists who must review (and sign off on) a grant before submission – the department chair/unit director, college dean/division director, and an authorized Office of Research & Sponsored Programs (ORSP) representative. (There is also a nearly identical form required for all UW System grant programs.) Signatures on the form indicate the individuals have reviewed and approved the proposal and budget. In particular, the signatories will verify items such as proposed release time, cost sharing and other institutional commitments, the amount of time allocated to the project, and plans to hire students or other personnel. To allow sufficient time for review, the timeline advises routing the transmittal form with a narrative draft and budget to one’s dean/division director at least ten days before the deadline. The timeline also advises working with ORSP staff well before that so a nearly final narrative and final budget is available, thereby expediting the review process. All application components must ultimately be reviewed by ORSP to ensure that they follow internal, funding agency, and state and/or federal guidelines. This protects not only the university but also the principal investigators (PIs) from potential liability issues. It is not uncommon for materials to undergo two or more drafts before they are finalized and ready for submission.

3. Quality check

Crafting a competitive application is an art as well as a science. Your disciplinary expertise is central to the proposed project, but if provided sufficient review time, ORSP can help give your proposal a competitive edge. We can provide feedback on how to frame your ideas to match funding agency priorities and address common reviewer concerns (e.g., project sustainability, broader impacts). We can also flag editorial issues to ensure clarity.

4. Technical glitches

Electronic mechanisms are the most common submission methods, which often present technical difficulties that may delay or prevent successful submission. Grants.gov, the submission system used by most federal agencies, is a prime example. After an application is submitted, it undergoes a multi-step verification process – first at grants.gov and then at the funding agency, which must first retrieve it from the system. The process can take several minutes or hours. At each step, various errors may be flagged, requiring the application to be revised and resubmitted, after which the verification process begins again. The nature of required changes is not always evident, which may necessitate a call to the grants.gov help desk or funding agency. Regardless of the number of errors and resubmissions needed, all federal agencies require that an application be successfully submitted – error-free – before the submission deadline. This is one reason the timeline states that submission should be done three business days before the deadline. Federal agency recommendations are typically even more cautious; the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) advises submitting at least 10 days before the deadline. Ultimately, allowing sufficient time for submission ensures that all the hard work you have invested in an application does not go to waste at the last minute.

In the wake of all that is involved in application development, the good news is that support (technical and moral) is available through ORSP. The grant submission timeline provides a great starting point. Additionally, ORSP staff is always available to answer your questions and help you develop (and submit) a competitive proposal.
Grant Submission Timeline

6 weeks before deadline
• Read the request for proposals (RFP)/grant guidelines in detail
• Initial consultation with Office of Research & Sponsored Programs (ORSP)

4 weeks before deadline
• Budget review with ORSP

10 days before deadline
• Grant transmittal form, narrative draft & budget routed to dean/division head
• Narrative draft and budget routed to ORSP
• Compare content & structure of each proposal section to RFP/grant guidelines

3 business days before deadline
• Grant submission

3 business days after submission
• Final application due to ORSP and college/division office
Foundation Spotlight

Longview Foundation

The Longview Foundation provides grants that promote learning about world regions, cultures, international affairs, and global issues in PK-12 schools in the United States. Funding priorities include the following:

1. **Internationalizing teacher preparation**: supports strategies that help pre-service PK-12 teachers learn to teach the global dimensions of their subjects and develop their students’ intercultural skills; grants encourage teacher preparation programs to adopt a range of strategies, including:
   a. Expanding programs for prospective world language teachers
   b. Providing professional development for faculty and advisors
   c. Supporting revisions to the general and professional educational requirements and courses for teachers
   d. Creating opportunities for fieldwork in internationally themed classrooms or multicultural communities in the United States
   e. Using technology to bridge international geographic and cultural barriers

2. **Innovations in international education**: supports innovative activities that address gaps in knowledge or capacity and have the potential for broad impact; the following areas are of particular interest:
   a. Bringing international knowledge and skills to out-of-school time programming
   b. Including international children’s literature in literacy building initiatives
   c. Connecting the study of world languages with internationalization efforts in other curriculum areas
   d. Promoting system-wide reforms in international curriculum and assessment
   e. Promoting integration of international content into the Common Core implementation Process
   f. Other activities strategically important for the field

The foundation is interested in supporting activities that can demonstrate sustainability beyond the grant period and have the potential for broad impact.

**Awards**: Grants are typically between $15,000 and $25,000.

**How to apply**: Initial letters of inquiry are required and accepted for two grant cycles during the year. For the fall grant cycle, letters of inquiry are due June 5, 2015 for funding decisions announced in early November 2015. For the spring grant cycle, letters of inquiry are due in mid-January for funding decisions announced in late April/early May.

**Website**: [http://www.longviewfdn.org](http://www.longviewfdn.org)

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Considering a request for foundation funding?

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs can help – from drafting an initial letter of inquiry to navigating the application process.
Latest News

UW-L Launches an Interdisciplinary Forum in D2L

Office of Research & Sponsored Programs (ORSP) Faculty Fellow James Peirce has developed an Interdisciplinary Forum for UW-L faculty and staff in D2L. The forum is intended to provide an informal, virtual space for the campus community to share their scholarly work, seek out new collaborators, access the campus’s collective expertise, find examples of existing collaborations, find funding ideas for interdisciplinary projects, and engage in monthly “hot topic” discussions. Faculty and staff are also encouraged to use the forum as a place to gather feedback about project/program ideas. The Interdisciplinary Forum is easily accessible through existing D2L user accounts.

How to Access the UW-L Interdisciplinary Forum

Subscribe to the forum by emailing your request to grants@uwla.edu. ORSP will then add you as a user and email with additional information on how to begin accessing it. Once you have subscribed, you can find the forum under your list of courses in which you are a “student.”

To view and participate in forum discussions, select “Discussions.”

We recommend getting started by posting a quick summary of your scholarly interests and/or projects in the Research Classifieds. If you already have an abstract about your work prepared, you can quickly copy and paste it. You can also peruse the existing posts, such as the monthly highlighted “Hot Topic,” and weigh in on the conversations.

You can subscribe to any of the discussion strings to be automatically notified of new posts (see the screen shot on the next page).
If you have any questions about the Interdisciplinary Forum, please contact ORSP (grants@uw lax.edu, 785-8007). Feedback is also welcome.

8th Annual Wisconsin Science & Technology Symposium to be Held July 27 and 28

The 8th Annual Wisconsin Science & Technology Symposium will be held on Monday and Tuesday, January 27-28 at UW-River Falls. This two-day event is a great networking opportunity for UW researchers, students, and industry professionals. WiSys will also be hosting a poster competition for students at this event, and prizes will be awarded to the winning posters. (Faculty are encouraged to submit posters as well.) If you know of any students who may be interested in this competition, please let them know that they must submit an abstract via WiSys’s poster submission form. Hotel information can be found on the WiSys events page, and additional information about the event will be forthcoming.

National Science Foundation’s FY 2014 Spending at a Glance

The National Science Foundation has put out a summary report that examines the agency’s performance and finances from FY 2014.

What the numbers show:

- NSF provided $6.8 million in funding for research and education programs; in particular, 81% ($5,485 million) of that budget was awarded to colleges, universities, and academic consortia.
- The number of competitive proposals dropped 2% to 48,074 applications for FY 2014. NSF states that the drop in the number of proposal submissions mirrors the changes made at NSF, such as the merging of programs with a short proposal period, and the movement and elimination of proposal deadlines.
- The number of new awards increased by 1.3% to 10,981. The slight increase in funded new awards, combined with the decrease in awards submissions, resulted in a 1% point increase in NSF’s funding rate to 23%.
- NSF’s support of academic basic research in selected fields (as a percentage of total federal support): Computer Science—89%; Biology—66%; Social Sciences—65%; Mathematics—62%; Environmental Sciences—61%; Physical Sciences—44%; Engineering—41%; and all science and engineering fields—25%.
- 320,000 people were directly involved in NSF programs and activities, received salaries, stipends, or participant support.
- NSF accounts for 25% of the total federal budget for basic research conducted at US colleges and universities. This share increases to 60% when funding for medical research by NIH is excluded from the equation.

The full report of NSF’s finances, spending, and performance results related to the organization’s priority goals and can be found in NSF’s summary located here or in NSF’s full FY 2014 Agency Financial Report.

Source: National Science Foundation
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1. National Science Foundation  
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<sup>7</sup> Mississippi Valley Archaeology Center  
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