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Events & Deadlines

December 3, 2018

Deadlines

National Endowment for the Humanities, Public Humanities Project

The Public Humanities Projects program supports projects that bring the ideas and insights of the humanities to life for general audiences through in-person programming. Projects must engage humanities scholarship to analyze significant themes in disciplines such as history, literature, ethics, and art history. NEH encourages projects that involve members of the public in collaboration with humanities scholars or that invite contributions from the community in the development and delivery of humanities programming.

<https://www.neh.gov/grants/public/public-humanities-projects>

Next Deadline: January 9, 2019

National Endowment for the Humanities, Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections

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The Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections (SCHC) program helps cultural institutions meet the complex challenge of preserving large and diverse holdings of humanities materials for future generations by supporting sustainable conservation measures that mitigate deterioration, prolong the useful life of collections, and support institutional resilience: the ability to anticipate and respond to disasters resulting from natural or human activity. Cultural institutions, including libraries, archives, museums, and historical organizations, face an enormous challenge: to preserve humanities collections that facilitate research, strengthen teaching, and provide opportunities for life-long learning. To ensure the preservation of books and manuscripts, photographs, sound recordings and moving images, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, art, and historical objects, cultural institutions must implement measures that slow deterioration and prevent catastrophic loss from emergencies resulting from natural or human activity. They can accomplish this work most effectively through preventive conservation. Preventive conservation encompasses managing relative humidity, temperature, light, and pollutants in collection spaces; providing protective storage enclosures and systems for collections; and safeguarding collections from theft, fire, floods, and other disasters.

<https://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/sustaining-cultural-heritage-collections>

Next Deadline: January 31, 2019

National Institutes of Health, Telomeres in Wellness and Disease: A Biobehavioral Approach (R21, Clinical Trial Optional)

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to stimulate clinical research that examines the role of telomeres in wellness and disease, and to advance the incorporation of telomere studies into biobehavioral programs of research. A body of research has demonstrated the contribution of telomeres to health-related outcomes; however, additional studies are needed to achieve the full potential for incorporating telomere-guided approaches for maintaining wellness, reducing the risk and burden of disease, and for advancing symptom and self-management strategies.

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-19-073.html>

Next Deadline: February 16, 2019

National Science Foundation, Mid-Scale Research Infrastructure

Mid-scale RI-1 "Implementation" projects may have a total project cost ranging from \$6 million up to below \$20 million. Projects must directly enable advances in fundamental science, engineering or science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education research in one or more of the research domains supported by NSF. Implementation projects may support new or upgraded research infrastructure. Only Mid-scale RI-1 "Design" projects may request less than \$6 million, with a minimum request of \$600,000 and a maximum request below \$20 million as needed to prepare for a future mid-scale or larger infrastructure implementation project. (Successful award of a Mid-scale RI-1 design project does not imply

NSF commitment to future implementation of that project.) Mid-scale RI-1 emphasizes strong scientific merit and response to an identified need of the research community. Demonstrated technical and managerial experience is required for both design and implementation projects, as are well-developed plans for student training and the involvement of a diverse workforce in all aspects of mid-scale activities.

<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2019/nsf19537/nsf19537.htm>

Next Deadline: Required Preliminary Proposals, February 19, 2019

National Science Foundation, National Robotics Initiative 2.0: Ubiquitous Collaborative Robots

The NRI-2.0 program builds upon the original National Robotics Initiative (NRI) program to support fundamental research in the United States that will accelerate the development and use of collaborative robots (co-robots) that work beside or cooperatively with people. The focus of the NRI-2.0 program is on **ubiquity**, which in this context means seamless integration of co-robots to assist humans in every aspect of life.

<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2019/nsf19536/nsf19536.htm>

Next Deadline: February 19, 2019

Statistical Consultation

ORDA welcomes back Dr. Grigoris Argeros (Sociology Anthropology Criminology) and Dr. Kathy Chu (Mathematics) as Faculty Associates for research statistics. Consultation is available for faculty, as well as graduate students working with faculty on independent research projects and theses with the goal of publication of results.

Contact Orda_stats@emich.edu for more information or to schedule an appointment.

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