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Common External Funding Sources in the Social Sciences and Humanities

**Federal**

- Grants.gov is a searchable database of all grant opportunities offered by U.S. federal agencies.
- Institute of Education Sciences (IES) Funding Opportunities
- National Institutes of Health (NIH) Standard Application Due Dates
- National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Grant Programs
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- United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Foundational and Applied Science Program; FY 2021 and 2022 Request for Applications

**New York State**

- NYS Grants Gateway
  - Primary outlet of competitive NYS agency funding opportunities; to receive funding announcements by email, subscribe to the announcements
- Department of Agriculture and Markets
- Department of Environmental Conservation
- Department of Health
- Education Department
- Empire State Development (includes NYSTAR, NYSED, ESD, Economic Development)
- New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA)
- Office of Children and Family Services (OCFCS)
- Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) Procurements and Grants & Contracts

**Foundations**

The SU Office of Foundation Relations will investigate funding opportunities for projects that have been identified as a priority by the University. To initiate a search to identify foundations that might be interested in funding your project, please complete and submit the Foundation Relations Funding Opportunities Intake Form.

- Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation

Upcoming Deadlines

**August 2020**

- NSF: Civic Innovation Challenge (CIVIC) (full proposal deadline date: August 3)
- NSF: Law and Science (LS) (full proposal target date: August 3)
- W.T. Grant: Research Grants on Reducing Inequality (letter of inquiry deadline: August 4)
- W.T. Grant: Research Grants on Improving the Use of Research Evidence (letter of inquiry deadline: August 4)
- RSF: Research on Systemic Racial Inequality and/or the Recent Mass Protests in the United States (letter of inquiry deadline: August 5)
- RSF: Research on the Covid-19 Pandemic and the Resulting Recession in the United States (letter of inquiry deadline: August 5)
- RWJF: Systems for Action: Supplemental Research on COVID-19 Response and Recovery (application deadline: August 5)
- NSF: Disaster Resilience Research Grant (DRRG) (required LOI due date: August 14; full proposal deadline: September 15)
- HHS OMH: Community-based Approaches to Strengthening Economic Supports for Working Families (application due date: August 17)
- NEH: Summer Stipends 2020 - Limited Submission Internal Competition (internal pre-proposal: August 17; for selected applicants, full proposal deadline: September 23)
- NSF: Cultural Anthropology (CA-SR) (full proposal target date: August 17)
- NSF: Accountable Institutions and Behavior (AIB) (full proposal target date: August 17)
- NSF: Security and Preparedness (SAP) (full proposal target date: August 17)
- NSF: Sociology (full proposal target date: August 17)
- NSF: Decision, Risk and Management Sciences (DRMS) (full proposal target date: August 18)
- NSF: Economics (full proposal target date: August 18)
- NSF: Human-Environment and Geographical Sciences (HEGS) (full proposal deadline date: August 18)
Research Areas
Youth, Family, Media, Crime, Biology, War & Peace, Terrorism, Religion, Ethnicity, Nationalism

Funding Type
Research grants

Russell Sage Foundation
Research Areas
Behavioral Economics; Future of Work; Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration; Social Inequality

Funding Types
Research grants, Fellowships

Sloan Foundation
Research Areas
Economics, Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics

Funding Types
Research grants, Fellowships

Smith Richardson Foundation
Research Areas
International Security, Domestic Public Policy

Funding Types
Research grants, Fellowships

Spencer Foundation
Research Area
Education

Funding Types
Research grants, Fellowships, Conferences

Wenner-Grenn Foundation
Research Area
Anthropology

Funding Types
Research grants, Fellowships, Conference and workshop grants

William T. Grant Foundation
Research Areas
Reducing Inequality, Improving the Use of Research Evidence, Connecting Research, Policy, and Practice, and Improving Youth Services in New York City

Funding Type
Research grants

Faculty External Fellowships, Residencies, and Awards

American Council of Learned Societies
Given the disproportionate effect the current economic downturn has on emerging, independent, and untenured scholars, in the 2020-21 competition year the awards are designated solely for untenured scholars who have earned the PhD within the past eight years. ACLS welcomes applications from scholars without faculty appointments and scholars off the tenure track.

Scholars pursuing research in any discipline of the humanities and related social science on topics grounded in any time period, world region, or humanistic methodology are eligible to apply. The ultimate goal of the project should be a major piece of scholarly work by the applicant, which can take the form of a monograph, articles, digital publication(s), critical edition, or other scholarly resources.

**Eligibility**

Applicants must:

1. be a US citizen, permanent resident, or DACA recipient.
2. for the 2020-21 competition, have a PhD conferred between October 1, 2012, and September 30, 2020.
3. for the 2020-21 competition, not hold a tenured faculty position.

**Award**

- For the 2020-21 competition, the fellowship stipend is set at $60,000 for a 12-month fellowship. Awards of shorter duration will be prorated at $5,000 per month, with the minimum award set at $30,000. Independent scholars, adjunct faculty, and faculty with teaching-intensive appointments will receive an award supplement of $3,000 for research support, access to manuscript development workshops, or learned society conference attendance.
- ACLS Fellowships are intended as salary replacement to help scholars devote six to twelve continuous months to full-time research and writing. For the 2020-21 competition, the fellowship period must be initiated between July 1, 2021, and July 1, 2022, and completed no later than December 31, 2022.
- The awards are portable and are tenable at the fellow’s home institution, abroad, or at another appropriate site for research. An ACLS Fellowship may be held concurrently with other fellowships and grants and any sabbatical pay, up to an amount equal to the candidate’s current academic year salary.
- The fellowship is awarded to an individual scholar. ACLS can arrange payment through the scholar’s institution upon request. However, institutions may not deduct funds for overhead or indirect costs from the individual’s fellowship.

**Application deadline**

For the 2020-21 competition, completed applications must be submitted through the ACLS online fellowship and grant administration system no later than 9 pm Eastern Daylight Time, September 30, 2020.

**Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences (CASBS) at Stanford University**

As of July 2020, CASBS plans to have a fellowship program in 2021-22. Program and application information will be available in autumn 2020.

CASBS offers a residential fellowship program for scholars working in a diverse range of disciplines that contribute to advancing research and thinking in social science. Fellows represent the core social and behavioral sciences (anthropology, economics, history, political science, psychology, and sociology) but also the humanities, education, linguistics, communications, and the biological, natural, health, and computer sciences.

The program seek fellows who will be both influential with, and open to influence by, their colleagues in the diverse multidisciplinary cohort assembled for a given year. The primary focus of the fellowship year is on reflection and writing, but the program expects the work to be informed and transformed by the fellowship experience as a result of interactions with other fellows.

Residency required.

**Eligibility**

Senior scholars and recently tenured scholars are eligible to apply.

**Award**

Up to 50% salary support or a maximum of $70,000

**Application deadline**

Typically November each year for residencies beginning in September the following year

### Passed Deadlines

**July 2020**

- NSF: Biological Anthropology (full proposal target date: July 20)
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- HUD: Impact of Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) on Children in HUD Assisted Households (application deadline: July 30)
- ED/IES: Statistical and Research Methodology in Education (application deadline: July 30)
- ED/IES: Using Longitudinal Data To Support State Education Policymaking Grant Programs (application deadline: July 30)

**June 2020**

- RSF: Visiting Scholars (application deadline: June 25)

**May 2020**

- RSF: Visiting Researchers (application deadline: May 1)
Guggenheim Fellowships

The John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation offers fellowships for the development of mid-career scholars and artists by assisting them to engage in research in any field of knowledge and creation in any of the arts.

The Foundation receives approximately 3,000 applications each year. Although no one who applies is guaranteed success in the competition, there is no prescreening: all applications are reviewed. Approximately 175 Fellowships are awarded each year.

Eligibility

- Fellowships are open to citizens and permanent residents of the United States, Canada, Latin America, and the Caribbean.
- Guggenheim Fellowships are intended for individuals who have already demonstrated exceptional capacity for productive scholarship or exceptional creative ability in the arts. For all writers, if you have mainly published in periodicals, or on websites, it might be premature for you to apply here at this stage of your career, given the rigorous nature of the competition.
- The Foundation only supports individuals. It does not make grants to institutions or organizations.

Award

- Fellowships are grants for a minimum of six months and a maximum of twelve months. Since the purpose of the Guggenheim Fellowship program is to help provide Fellows with blocks of time in which they can work with as much creative freedom as possible, grants are made freely. No special conditions attach to them, and Fellows may spend their grant funds in any manner they deem necessary to their work. The United States Internal Revenue Service, however, does require the Foundation to ask for reports from its Fellows at the end of their Fellowship terms.
- Financial considerations do not play a part in evaluations, and applicants should not include a budget in the statement of plans. When candidates are selected as Fellows, they are then asked to submit budget information for their projects. The amounts of grants vary, and the Foundation does not guarantee it will fully fund any project.

Application deadline

September each year, with notifications in April

Institute for Advanced Study (IAS) School of Social Science at Princeton University

The theme for the AY 2021-22 residency is Political Mobilization and Social Movements. Applications for scholars working outside the theme are also encouraged.

Each year, the School invites approximately twenty-five visiting scholars with various perspectives, methods and topics, providing a space for intellectual debate and mutual enrichment. Scholars are drawn from a wide range of fields, notably political theory, economics, law, psychology, sociology, anthropology, history, philosophy, and literature. Members pursue their own research, and participate in collective activities, including a weekly seminar at which on-going work is presented.

Residency required.

Eligibility

Junior and senior scholars across the social sciences are eligible to apply.

Award

Up to 50% salary support or a maximum of $75,000

Application deadline

November each year for residencies beginning in September the following year, with notifications in March

Open Society Fellowship Program

No longer accepting applications

Supports individuals pursuing projects related to human rights, government transparency, access to information and justice, and the promotion of civil society and social inclusion. Fellows produce work outputs of their own choosing, such as a book, journalistic or academic articles, art projects, a series of convenings, etc.
Residency required.

Eligibility

- Applicants should possess a deep understanding of their chosen subject area and a track record of professional accomplishment.
- This is a fellowship for individuals only; proposals from organizations or individuals acting on behalf of organizations will not be accepted.

Award

$80K or $100K, depending on work experience, seniority, and current income

Application deadline

Typically July

Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Studies at Harvard University

Awarding 50 fellowships each academic year, the Radcliffe Fellowship Program supports engaged scholarship and welcomes applications from scholars and practitioners who connect research to law, policy, pressing social issues, and/or who seek to actively engage audiences beyond academia. Additionally, the program welcomes applications relevant to the Institute's focus areas of law, education, and justice; youth leadership and civic engagement; and legacies of slavery.

Residency required.

Eligibility

Applicants in the humanities and social sciences must:

1. Have received their doctorate (or appropriate terminal degree) in the area of their proposed project at least two years prior to their appointment as a fellow (December 2019 for the 2021-22 fellowship year).
2. Have published a monograph or at least two articles in refereed journals or edited collections.

Award

Up to $78,000 for one academic year with additional funds for project expenses

Application deadline

September each year for residencies beginning in September the following year, with notifications in March

Russell Sage Foundation Visiting Scholars

Select scholars in the social, economic and behavioral sciences pursue their research and writing while in residence at the Foundation's New York headquarters. RSF annually awards about 17 residential fellowships to social scientists who are at least 3 years beyond the Ph.D. Visiting Scholar positions begin September 1st and ordinarily run through June 30th. On rare occasions, scholars visit for only half this period, starting either in September or in February.

Residency required.

Eligibility

All scholar applicants must have a Ph.D. or comparable terminal degree, or a career background that establishes their ability to conduct high-level, peer-reviewed scholarly research. Applicants must be at least 3 years beyond the Ph.D. Doctoral or other graduate students are not eligible to apply. Individuals are allowed a maximum of two visits to the Foundation as a Visiting Scholar—the second visit may not occur within 7 years of the first visit.

Award

Scholars are provided with an office at RSF, computer and library facilities, and salary support of up to 50 percent of their academic year salary when unavailable from research grants or other sources (up to a maximum of $125,000 for the full term, or $62,500 for half of the full term). Scholars who reside outside the greater New York City area are provided with a partially-subsidized apartment near the Foundation offices. Child care subsidies are also available for children below the age of 13.

Application deadline
June each year for residencies beginning in September the following year, with notifications in December

**Russell Sage Foundation Visiting Researchers**

On an occasional basis, the Foundation has one or two available office spaces and considers applications for short-term fellowships by scholars who are conducting research relevant to the Foundation’s priority areas. These positions do not come with any Foundation financial support and are available for visits up to five months, between September 1 and June 30, as space permits. In rare circumstances, visits up to ten months may be considered. However, researchers interested in a full-year fellowship to complete a book or other major project that would necessitate a longer stay should consider applying to the Foundation’s Visiting Scholars Program.

**Eligibility**

Visiting Researchers must be several years beyond the PhD and have a publications record and current research project that is relevant to the Foundation’s program areas. Priority will be given to RSF-sponsored grantees and scholars who are seeking to complete existing work, although we welcome applications from scholars carrying out innovative work related to our current program areas.

**Award**

Visiting Researchers are provided with an office at the Foundation, computers and software, and library access. Applicants who reside outside of the greater New York City area may be provided with a partially-subsidized apartment near RSF, if available.

**Application deadline**

May, with decisions in June

**Stanford Humanities Center Fellowships**

The Humanities Center offers approximately 25 residential fellowships for the academic year to Stanford and non-Stanford scholars at different career stages, giving them the opportunity to pursue their work in a supportive intellectual community. Fellowships are for one full academic year and require the fellow to be in residence during Autumn, Winter, and Spring Quarters (mid-September to mid-June).

**Eligibility**

- Research projects must be in the humanities (view definition of the humanities in FAQ); creative arts projects are not eligible. The Center is open to projects employing information technology in humanities research.
- All applicants must have a PhD and be at least three years beyond receipt of the degree at the start of the fellowship year. Junior fellowships are for scholars who will be at least three and no more than ten years beyond receipt of the PhD by the start of the fellowship year. Senior fellowships are for established scholars who are more than ten years beyond receipt of the PhD.
- External faculty fellowships are offered once only. Former external faculty fellows are not eligible to reapply.
- There are no citizenship requirements for these fellowships; non-U.S. nationals are welcome to apply.

**Award**

- Fellows are awarded stipends of up to $70,000 and a housing and moving allowance up to $40,000. Applicants who require additional support are expected to seek supplementary funding in the form of external grants or sabbatical or other contributions from home institutions.
- With the agreement of the other university, the Humanities Center can pay fellowship stipends (but not moving and housing stipends) to them directly via a purchase order and contract; about half of the program’s External Faculty utilize this to maintain their regular benefits during their fellowship year.

**Application deadline**

Typically November 1; access to the online application system opens in August

**Sloan Research Fellowships**

The Sloan Research Fellowship Program recognizes and rewards outstanding early-career faculty who have the potential to revolutionize their fields of study.

**Eligibility**
Candidates must hold a Ph.D. or equivalent degree in chemistry, computer science, economics, mathematics, molecular biology, neuroscience, ocean sciences, physics, or a related field and must be tenure-track, though untenured.

Successful candidates for a Fellowship generally have a strong record of significant independent research accomplishments that demonstrate creativity and the potential to become future leaders in the scientific community. Nominated candidates are normally several years past the completion of their Ph.D. in order to accumulate a competitive record of independent, significant research.

**Award**

$75,000 for a two-year term

**Deadline**

September 15 each year for fellowships beginning September 15 the following year

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### For Postdoctoral Scholars

#### Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellowships for Postdoctoral Researchers

A Humboldt Research Fellowship for postdoctoral researchers allows long-term research (6–24 months) in Germany. Applicants choose their own topic of research and their academic host. Scientists and scholars of all nationalities and disciplines may apply to the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation online at any time.

**Eligibility**

Must have completed doctoral degree within the past four years

**Deadline**

Rolling

#### American Academy of Arts and Sciences: Visiting Scholars

The Academy’s Visiting Scholars Program provides residential fellowships to postdoctoral scholars in the humanities and social sciences. Housed at the headquarters of the Academy in Cambridge, Massachusetts, Visiting Scholars participate in Academy-sponsored conferences, seminars, and informal gatherings while advancing their scholarly research.

**Eligibility**

U.S. citizenship or permanent residency required; must have received doctoral degree no more than 4 years before the application deadline date

**Deadline**

October

#### American Association of University Women (AAUW): Fellowships

The American Postdoctoral Fellowship (U.S. citizenship required) supports women in higher education; International Fellowships (citizenship unrestricted) are awarded for full-time study or research in the United States to women in graduate and postgraduate studies.

**Eligibility**

Varies by fellowship

**Deadline**

November

#### Fulbright Postdoctoral/Early Career Grants

Postdoctoral/early career grants are open to U.S. scholars who have recently completed their doctoral degrees—typically within the five previous years. Postdoctoral awards are available in STEM fields, the arts, humanities and social sciences. These grants present an excellent opportunity for recently minted scholars to deepen their expertise, to acquire new skills, to work with additional resources and to make connections with others in their fields.

**Eligibility**
Intelligence Community (IC) Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Program

The IC Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Program produces state-of-the-art research in disciplines relevant to the Intelligence Community while mentoring a new generation of American scientists. Postdocs who have completed their Ph.D. within the last 5 years are invited to identify a Research Advisor and collaborate in order to submit a research proposal that responds to the published research topics.

**Eligibility**

- U.S. citizenship required
- PhD received within five years of the application deadline

**Deadline**

February

Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS)

To promote international scientific cooperation, the JSPS encourages highly qualified researchers from around the world to come to and conduct joint research activities with colleagues at Japanese universities and research institutes. JSPS offers four postdoctoral fellowship programs—Summer, Short-Term, Standard, and Pathway to University Positions in Japan—each with different eligibility requirements.

**Eligibility**

- Candidate must be a citizen of a country that has diplomatic relations with Japan.
- Other eligibility requirements vary by program.

**Deadline**

Varies by program

National Institutes of Health: Pathway to Independence Award (Parent K99/R00)

This program is designed to facilitate a timely transition of outstanding postdoctoral researchers from mentored, postdoctoral research positions to independent, tenure-track or equivalent faculty positions, and to provide independent NIH research support during the transition that will help these individuals launch competitive, independent research careers.

**Eligibility**

- Individuals are not eligible if they have more than 4 years of related postdoctoral research at the time of initial or resubmission application.
- There is no citizenship requirement for K99 applicants.

**Deadline**

February, June, October

National Institutes of Health: Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) Individual Postdoctoral Fellowship (Parent F32)

The purpose of this award is to support promising applicants during their mentored postdoctoral training under the guidance of outstanding faculty sponsors. The integrated program of research and training should enhance the individual’s potential to develop into a productive, independent researcher.

**Eligibility**

U.S. citizenship or permanent residency required

**Deadline**

April, August, December
National Science Foundation: SBE Postdoctoral Research Fellowships

The Directorate for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences (SBE) offers Postdoctoral Research Fellowships to encourage independence early in the Fellow's career through supporting his or her research and training goals.

**Eligibility**

U.S. citizenship or permanent residency required

**Deadline**

November

UNESCO Fellowships Programmes

Fellowships are specially tailored training which are designed to give qualified persons practicing or intending to practice a profession in the field of the UNESCO programme priorities an opportunity to receive additional and practical training, thus contributing to the advancement and circulation of knowledge and skill promoting development and international understanding.

**Eligibility**

Varies by program

**Deadline**

Varies by program

Wenner-Gren Foundation: Post-Ph.D. Research Grants

Grants support 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.

**Eligibility**

Unrestricted

**Deadline**

May, November

Funding Search Tools

Experts@Syracuse

Experts@Syracuse is designed to promote research and scholarly collaboration by making it clear to internal and external parties what Syracuse University’s areas of expertise are and who the individual experts are. Another key feature for individuals that have a Research Profile is the “Funding Discovery” module, where funding opportunities that most closely match an expert’s research area are automatically delivered.

Research Profile and Funding Search Access (log in with NetID and password)

Pivot Funding Opportunities Database

Pivot, formerly the Community of Science (COS), is a searchable database of federal and private funding opportunities in all fields. The website also allows users to set up automated funding alerts based on keywords and areas of interest. Pivot is a subscription service provided by the Office of Research for all Syracuse University researchers.

From an on-campus or an off-campus computer using remote access to the campus or remote-networked computer, go directly to http://pivot.proquest.com. Otherwise, you will need to set up a Pivot account:

1. Go to http://pivot.proquest.com and click “Sign up” in the upper right of the screen.
2. On the next screen, select the “Use Email Address/Create Password” option (on the right).
3. Create your account. Importantly, you must (1) use your university (syr.edu) email address as your account email address and (2) select “Syracuse University” from the member institution drop-down list.
4. A confirmation email will be sent to your university email address. Click on the link in the email to confirm your registration and log in to Pivot.