ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

- **National Endowment for the Humanities; Division of Education Programs**: Enduring Questions

Notice seeking applications for funding to support faculty members in the teaching and development of a new course that will foster intellectual community through the study of an enduring question. This question-driven course will encourage undergraduates and teachers to grapple with a fundamental concern of human life addressed by the humanities. Applications are due September 12, 2013. Grants are up to $38,000 in outright funds for projects serving a single institution for a grant period between 18 and 36 months.


- **U.S. Department of Agriculture; Business and Cooperative Programs**: Rural Cooperative Development Grant (RCDG)

Notice seeking applications to improve the economic condition of rural areas by assisting individuals or entities in the startup, expansion or operational improvement of rural cooperatives and other business entities. Grants are awarded to Rural Cooperative Development Centers who in turn provide technical assistance to individuals and entities. Applications are due July 15, 2013. Approximately up to $6.5 million is available in support. A 25% cost share is required.


- **U.S. Department of Education; Office of Postsecondary Education**: Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS) Program

Notice seeking applications to support the participation of low-income parents in postsecondary education through provision of campus-based child care services. Two absolute priorities are: 1) Projects that are designed to leverage significant local or institutional resources, including in-kind contributions, to support the activities assisted under section 419N of the HEA; and 2) Projects that are designed to utilize a sliding fee scale for child care services provided under section 419N of the HEA in order to support a high number of low-income parents pursuing postsecondary education at the institution. Applications are due June 24, 2013. Approximately $9.47 million is available to support 93 awards. Any institution of higher education that during FY 2012 awarded a total of $350,000 or more of Federal Pell Grant funds to students enrolled at the institution. Institutions that currently have a CCAMPIS Program grant with a project period ending in 2013 and 2014 are eligible to apply.


- **U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention**: OJJDP FY 13 National Juvenile Justice Information Sharing Training and Technical Assistance Program

Notice seeking applications to deliver high quality Training and Technical Assistance that enhances information sharing among the juvenile justice, child welfare, mental health, education and other systems that play key roles in serving youth across multiple systems of care. Applications are due July 9, 2013. Approximately $175,000 is available to support one award.


- **U.S. Department of State; Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL)**: Community Anti-Violence Assistance to CBSI Countries

Notice seeking applications to involve youth in Caribbean Basin Security Initiative (CBSI) countries in the realm of law enforcement to expose them to the various activities law enforcement officials partake in, to improve the relationship between local communities and the officers that serve them, to provide training to law enforcement officials on interacting with youth of all ages, and to offer at-risk youth alternative extra-curricular activities and developmental experiences. Applications are due June 28, 2013. Approximately $2 million is available to support up to three awards. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply if they have demonstrated experience implementing similar training programs, preferably in the Caribbean, and preferably with the targeted government entity (ies) identified in the solicitation.


- **U.S. Department of State; Office of the Coordinator for Counterterrorism**: Hausa Language Media Platform for West Africa Funding Opportunity

Notice seeking applications that outline a project concept to develop and manage a free-to-air Hausa-language satellite TV channel aimed at youth residing in northern Nigeria. Applications are due July 11, 2013. Approximately up to $6.1 million is available to support one award for 31 months. Applicants should consider the various cultural, economic, and political forces affecting Hausa speakers today, as well as the history of Hausa-speaking peoples and social mores prevalent among these populations.

• U.S. Department of State; U.S. Embassy, Kabul, Afghanistan: U.S. Afghan University Partnership with Balkh University in Engineering

Notice seeking applications to assist Balkh University to enhance its academic, research, and knowledge-exchange environment for faculty and students in order to equip graduates with the engineering skills necessary to tap into Afghanistan’s vast resources and contribute to the country’s economic development. Applications are due June 30, 2013. Approximately $500,000 to $750,000 is available to support one award lasting up to three years. Applicants must have direct experience in engineering and demonstrate both knowledge of the Afghanistan context and the capability to implement the project.


• U.S. Department of State; U.S. Mission to Georgia: International Affairs Partnership Program

Notice seeking proposals for a project to improve the standard of International Relations instruction and assist in the long-term institutional development of the School of Law and Politics (SLP). The means for achieving this goal may include: faculty development, curricula and materials development, program development (to include joint long-distance MA degree program), professor and student exchanges, and joint research. Applications are due July 21, 2013. Approximately $495,000 is available for this grant program. Cost sharing is encouraged.


• U.S. Department of State; U.S. Mission to India: U.S.-India School Partnership for Real Communication

Notice seeking proposals to develop and implement educational and cultural programs for curriculum development partnerships, joint projects on selected themes, cultural information, and collaboration on projects related to global issues, such as climate change, innovation, and conflict resolution. Proposals are due June 20, 2013. Approximately $46,326 is available to support one award for one year. Academic institutions with prior experience in India will receive higher consideration in the review process.


EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

• U.S. Department of Commerce; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; National Marine Fisheries Service: Cooperative Research Program

Notice seeking applications to increase and improve the working relationship between fisheries researchers from NMFS, state fishery agencies, universities, and the U.S. fishing (recreational and commercial) in the Gulf of Mexico (FL, AL, MS, LA, TX), South Atlantic (FL, NC, SC, GA) and Caribbean (USVI and Puerto Rico). Applications are due August 30, 2013. Approximately $2 million is available to support eight awards for one year. NOAA's priority needs are for information that can be utilized for stock assessments in the future.


• U.S. Department of Education: President’s Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities

Notice announcing public meeting of the board to advise the president and the secretary of education on all matters pertaining to strengthening the educational capacity of historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs). The agenda includes updates from the chairman, the board’s subcommittees and the acting executive director of the White House Initiative on HBCUs on their respective activities. The meeting will be held on June 11, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. EDT, at Churchill Hotel, Kalorama, 1914 Connecticut Ave. NW, Washington, DC.


• U.S. Department of Education; Federal Student Aid: Fiscal Operations Report for 2012-2013 and Application To Participate for 2014-2015 (FISAP) and Reallocation Form

Notice announcing changes to the FISAP form which is used to determine an institution’s funding need for the award year and monitor program effectiveness and accountability of fund expenditures. The FISAP form has been revised to more efficiently gather data; allow more precise data entry concerning graduate and professional students for schools with non-traditional academic calendars; and collect a more concise breakdown of student data at the aggregate level. Comments may be submitted at http://www.regulations.gov by selecting Docket ID number ED-2013-ICC-0031.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Administration for Children and Families; Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation: Center for Research on Hispanic Children & Families

Notice seeking applications to establish a center to support the advancement of research that addresses the service needs of low-income Hispanic families. Specifically, the purpose of the center will be to advance understanding of poverty and self-sufficiency, marriage and relationships, fatherhood, and child care and early education as well as related issues such as employment, family stability and functioning, and children’s development and well-being among Hispanics. Letters of intent are requested by June 28, 2013. Applications are due July 18, 2013. Approximately $1.05 million is available to support on award.

• U.S. Department of the Interior; Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement and Bureau of Ocean Energy Management: Operation and Maintenance of the Ocean Energy Safety Institute (OESI)

Notice seeking proposals to establish an institute that will facilitate research and development, training of federal workers on identification and verification of Best Available and Safest Technology, and implementation of operational improvements in the areas of offshore drilling safety and environmental protection, blowout containment and oil spill response. Proposals are due July 29, 2013. Approximately $3 to $5 million is available in FY 13 for a project period of up to five years.


• U.S. Department of the Treasury; Internal Revenue Service: Low Income Taxpayer Clinic 2014

Notice seeking applications to assist low income individuals who have a tax dispute with the IRS, or to provide education and outreach to individuals who speak English as a second language. Most LITCs can provide representation before the IRS or in court on audits, tax collection disputes, and other issues. Applications are due July 12, 2013. Approximately $100,000 in matching funds is available for each award. Accredited law schools, business schools, or accounting schools are eligible to apply.


• U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): SFIREG Full Committee; Notice of Public Meeting

Notice announcing an open two-day meeting of the Association of American Pesticide Control Officials and State FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group to address regulation issues affecting States as well as field implementation issues related to human health, and environmental exposure to pesticides. The meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2013, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and June 11, 2013 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., ET, at EPA, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 1st Floor South Conference Room, 2777 Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA.


HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

• U.S. Department of Defense; U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity: DoD Spinal Cord Injury

Notice seeking applications to design innovative research that will foster new directions for and address neglected issues in the field of SCI-focused research. Areas of Encouragement include: Pre-hospital, en route care, and early hospital management of SCI; Development, validation and timing of promising interventions to address issues during the first year after SCI; Identification and validation of best practices during the first year after SCI; and applications that rigorously and definitively address one or more of the following issues which may occur at any time after SCI: Bladder, bowel, and sexual dysfunction; Neuropathic pain and sensory dysfunction; Functional deficits; The ambulatory and non-ambulatory clinical benefits of exoskeletal systems Pre-applications are required and due June 24, 2013. Applications are due October 16, 2013. Approximately $30 million is available to support all awards; $7.2 million is available to support three clinical trial awards; $4.8 million is available to support four translational research awards; $7.44 million is available to support 10 investigator initiated awards; $2.6 million is available to support four qualitative research awards.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Administration for Children and Families; Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation: Child Care Research Partnership Grants

Notice seeking applications for funding to pursue research questions of national and state relevance that will develop research questions and research designs in partnership with local and state child care stakeholders and researchers. These projects will be expected to add to knowledge of the efficacy of child care subsidy policies and quality improvement initiatives in promoting family economic self-sufficiency, children's healthy development and learning, and support for child care providers. Letters of intent are requested by June 28, 2013. Applications are due July 15, 2013. Approximately $1.25 million is available to support up to five awards.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: National Support to Enhance Implementation of Comprehensive Cancer Control Activities

Notice seeking applications to fund additional technical assistance to reduce the burden of cancer in the following four focus areas 1) local implementation of CCC activities; 2) identification and implementation of systems and environmental change strategies that promote health and support healthy behaviors as well as facilitate community-clinical linkages for support of interventions that prevent and reduce cancer burden; 3) enhancement and sustainability of partnerships; and 4) support for communication strategies. Letters of intent are requested and due June 3, 2013. Applications are due July 18, 2013. Approximately $1 million per year is available to support up to two awards. A conference call to provide technical assistance and respond to any questions will take place on June 07, 2013 at 2pm, ET. The dial-in information is 1 (800) 857-4765; Passcode: 5998126. Only non-research domestic activities will be supported. Applicants must have demonstrated experience, capacity, and national reach working with public health partners.

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Health Resources and Service Administration:** Advisory Committee on Interdisciplinary, Community-Based Linkages (ACICBL); Notice of Meeting

Notice announcing public HRSA advisory committee meeting on Interdisciplinary, Community-Based Linkages for the development of the 13th Annual ACICBL Report. The meeting will be held June 5, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (ET) at the Health Resources and Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland, Room 9-94.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Mental Health:** Proposed Collection; 60-day Comment Request: Autism Spectrum Disorder Research Portfolio Analysis

Notice seeking written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited to address one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) The quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments are due within 60 days of the date of this publication.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; Multiple Institutes:** Chronic Inflammation and Age-related Disease (R01)

Notice seeking applications to clarify the molecular and cellular basis for the increase in circulating inflammatory factors with aging, and to shed light on the cause-effect relationship between inflammation and disease, using pre-clinical (animal or cellular-based) models. Applications are due annually on February 5, June 5, and October 5 through September 8, 2014. Approximately $500,000 per year is available to support multiple awards for five years.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of Drug Abuse:** FY14 NIDA Avant-Garde Award Program for HIV/AIDS Research (DP1)

Notice seeking applications that support individual scientists of exceptional creativity who propose high-impact research that will open new areas of HIV/AIDS research and/or lead to new avenues for prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS among drug abusers. Applications are due November 6, 2013. Approximately $2 million is available to support two to three awards for five years.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of Mental Health:** Services Research for Autism Spectrum Disorders across the Lifespan (ServASD): Pilot Studies of Services Strategies for Adults with ASD (R34)

Notice seeking applications to develop and test service strategies that optimize the independence and functioning of adults with autism spectrum disorders (ASD). Letters of intent are optional and due September 22, 2013. Applications are due October 22, 2013. Approximately $10 million is available to fund 10 to 18 awards over three years.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of Mental Health:** Services Research for Autism Spectrum Disorder across the Lifespan (ServASD): Pilot Research on Services for Transition-Age Youth (R34)

Notice seeking applications to support research to develop and pilot test strategies to assist transition-age youth with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and their families in planning for and smoothly transitioning into adult functioning and adult services. Letters of intent are optional and due September 22, 2013. Applications are due October 22, 2013. Approximately $10 million is available to support 10 to 18 awards over three years.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of Mental Health:** Services Research for Autism Spectrum Disorder across the Lifespan (ServASD): Research on Early Identification and Linkage to Services for ASD (R01)

Notice seeking applications to support research that develops and tests service system interventions that are broadly implementable and that rapidly engage young children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) in evidence-based treatment and services early in life. Letters of intent are optional and due September 22, 2013. Applications are due October 22, 2013. Approximately $10 million is available to support 10 to 18 awards over five years.

• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration**: Announcement of Requirements and Registration for the "Technology-based Products to Prevent High-Risk Drinking Among College Students Challenge"

Notice seeking proposals of solutions to the problem of underage drinking among college students through cost-effective, portable, technology-based products that effectively reach a diverse population of college students and their parents, as well as administrators, faculty, and staff, and that can be adapted to meet the local needs of these institutions throughout the United States. Technology-based products may include, but are not limited to, web applications, mobile apps, short message services (SMS), and podcasts. To register for this Challenge, entrants must visit the www.challenge.gov Web site and search for "Technology-based Products to Reduce High-Risk Drinking among College Students Challenge." Submissions are due July 8, 2013. Approximately $100,000 is available in prizes.


• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; Center for Mental Health Services**: National Resource Center for Mental Health Promotion and Youth Violence Prevention (Short Title: YVP-RC)

Notice seeking applications for a national resource and training center to increase the effectiveness of youth violence prevention, prevention of mental, emotional and behavioral disorders, and promotion of the healthy development of children and youth. The YVP-RC will also provide technical assistance for SAMHSA's Safe Schools/Healthy Students (SS/HS) and Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health (Project LAUNCH) grant programs. Applications are due July 1, 2013. Approximately $6.17 million is available to support one cooperative agreement.


**SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS**

• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration**: NASA Applied Sciences Advisory Committee Meeting

Notice announcing a meeting of the NASA Applied Sciences Advisory Committee. The purpose of the meeting is to solicit from the applied sciences community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning. The meeting will be held Thursday, June 20, 2013, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Local Time. This meeting will take place telephonically and by Adobe Connect. Any interested person may call the USA toll free conference call number 800-779-5797 pass code ASAC, to participate in this meeting by telephone. The Adobe Connect link is https://connect.arc.nasa.gov/asac. Enter as a guest using your name.


• **National Science Foundation**: Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering (CEOSE); Notice of Meeting

Notice announcing public advisory meeting of the Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering. The meeting will be held on June 19, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (ET); and June 20, 2013, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (ET) at the National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA.


• **National Science Foundation; Directorate for Engineering; Division of Chemical, Bioengineering, Environmental, and Transport Systems**: Solicitation on Advanced Dry Cooling for Power Plants

Notice seeking proposals to leverage the complementary missions of applied research and commercialization (Electric Power Research Institute) and fundamental research and education (NSF) to foster enabling research and technology development that will lead to significant reductions or elimination of the use of water for cooling power plants. Proposals are due August 19, 2013. Approximately $6 million is available to support up to ten awards. Limited submission: one proposal per PI or co-PI.


• **National Science Foundation; Directorate for Mathematical and Physical Sciences**: Accelerator Science

Notice seeking proposals for research projects with the potential to advance accelerator science and disrupt existing paradigms at a fundamental level, enabling discoveries that lead to novel, compact, powerful, and/or cost-effective accelerators. Proposals are due November 29, 2013 and the last Friday in November annually thereafter.


• **U.S. Department of Agriculture; National Institute of Food and Agriculture**: Teaming Opportunity for Advanced Composites Initiative

Notice seeking applications that support development of expert systems that help guide, demonstrate and multiply impacts of USDA supported Integrated Pest Management programs. Applications are due July 16, 2013. Approximately $130,000 is available to support one or more awards. Eligible institutions are State agricultural experiment stations, land-grant colleges and universities, research foundations established by land-grant colleges and universities, colleges and universities, and accredited schools or colleges of veterinary medicine.

• U.S. Department of Defense; Department of the Navy: Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for the Naval Facilities Engineering and Expeditionary Warfare Center (NAVFAC EXWC).

Notice seeking proposals for technologies and methodologies to improve expeditionary logistics, and applies to Navy and Marines forward operating environments. NAVFAC EXWC is interested in expeditionary technologies and methodologies that are new, innovative, advance the state-of-the-art, or increase knowledge/understanding. Proposals are due July 28, 2013; October 28, 2013; January 28, 2014 and May 27, 2014. Awards may range between $50,000 and $500,000 for one to three years.

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• U.S. Department of Defense; Department of the Navy: FY13 Alternative Energy Initiatives BAA-NEXWC

Notice seeking abstracts for the Naval Facilities Engineering and Expeditionary Warfare Center (NEXWC). Abstracts shall identify the specific topic area that the submission addresses. All technology demonstrations or prototype field tests must be performed in Hawaii, Guam, or Washington State. However, design, laboratory, and administrative work may be done outside of these locations. Abstracts (no more than five pages) are due July 15, 2013.

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• U.S. Department of Defense; Office of Net Assessment: Research and Studies for the Office of the Director, Net Assessments

Notice seeking proposals to assess security environments and potential threats or opportunities to the U.S. with respect to major weapons categories, doctrine, and demographic, economic, and political developments that may affect the power and strategies of nations. Proposals will be accepted for a period of five years on a bi-monthly basis beginning June 17, 2013 and ending on June 12, 2018.

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• U.S. Department of Energy; National Nuclear Security Administration: Nuclear Science and Nuclear Nonproliferation Research

Notice seeking applications to establish a consortia of accredited U.S. Colleges and Universities to allow them to receive and administer funds for student and faculty research, fellowships, and scholarship funding awarded by the U.S. Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration, Office of Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation Research and Development. Applications are due July 31, 2013. Approximately $50 million is available to support two consortia, multi-institutional awards. The eligibility of scholarships and fellowships under this program is restricted to U.S citizens and permanent residents.


• U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: National Center for Innovation in Small Drinking Water Systems

Notice seeking applications to develop a National Research Center that will: identify, develop, demonstrate and facilitate widespread acceptance and applicability of novel and innovative technologies and approaches to measure or treat groups of microbiological or chemical contaminants, or their precursors; apply novel new information technology systems; and improve the sustainability of small drinking water systems. Applications are due by August 21, 2013. Approximately $4.1 million is available for one award lasting up to three years.


• U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: National Environmental Justice Advisory Council; Notification of Public Teleconference Meeting and Public Comment

Notice announcing a public teleconference to discuss preliminary recommendations concerning EPA’s research programs and the scientific foundation needed to address and prevent environmental inequities, and EPA’s draft Technical Guidance for Assessing Environmental Justice in Regulatory Analysis. The teleconference will be held on June 13, 2013 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. EDT. Pre-registration is required by June 10 at http://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/nejac/meetings.html.