ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

• Institute of Museum and Library Services: Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program

Notice seeking applications to recruit and educate the next generation of librarians, faculty, and library leaders; and to support early career research. It also assists in the professional development of librarians and library staff. Web conferences are on July 25 and August 14, 2012 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Eastern. Applications are due September 24, 2012. Grant amounts are from $50,000 to $500,000. Colleges and universities libraries are eligible.


• United States Agency for International Development - East Africa: Kenya Arid Lands Disaster Risk Reduction-WASH Program

Notice seeking applications from consortiums aimed at increasing resilience to drought and flash floods while simultaneously increasing access to improved water supply and sanitation services, and improving hygiene behaviors, for poor and vulnerable populations in the arid counties of Turkana, Marsabit (including Moyale District), Garissa, Isiolo, and Wajir in Kenya. The focus of the proposed projects should be to reduce vulnerability to drought. Applications are due August 31, 2012. Approximately $8 million is available to support at least one award. Eligibility is unrestricted.


EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

• U.S. Department of Education: National Assessment Governing Board Meeting

Notice announcing a partially open meeting to discuss the Governing Board’s standing committee reports. For more details see http://www.nagb.org/policies.html The meeting will be held from August 2 through August 4 2012. The Committees sharing reports are: Assessment Development Committee; Reporting and Dissemination Committee; Committee on Standards, Design and Methodology; Nominations Committee and Full Board.


• U.S. Department of Education: Notice of Submission for OMB Review; Office of Postsecondary Education; Talent Search (TS) Annual Performance Report

Notice seeking comments on the Talent Search program which provides Federal financial assistance in the form of discretionary grants to help youth from disadvantaged backgrounds complete secondary education and enroll in and complete programs of postsecondary education; and to publicize the availability of, and facilitate the application for, student financial assistance for persons who seek to pursue postsecondary education. Comments are due by August 27, 2012 and will be accepted electronically or by mail.


• U.S. Department of Education; Office for Civil Rights: Equity and Excellence Commission

Notice announcing an open meeting to collect information, analyze issues, and obtain broad public input regarding how the Federal government can increase educational opportunity by improving school funding equity. The meeting will take place from 11 am to 3 pm August 9, 2012 at the United States Department of Education at 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20202, in Room 4W334.


• U.S. Department of Education; Office of Postsecondary Education: American Overseas Research Centers Program

Notice seeking applications to establish or operate an AORC that promotes postgraduate research, exchanges, and area studies. Applications are due August 24, 2012. Approximately $550,000 is available to support 10 awards. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


• U.S. Department of Justice; National Institute of Corrections: Development of a 21st Century Corrections Learning Professional Competency

Notice seeking applications to development of a Corrections Learning Professional Competency Model that will identify the workplace learning competencies needed by correctional learning/training professionals at different organizational levels; define the competency, identify the relevant knowledge needed for its development, describe behaviors that are reflective of the competency, identify the skills required to use and develop the competency and suggest training strategies appropriate to the competency. Applications are due August 9, 2012. One award is expected. Colleges and universities with expertise in the described areas are eligible to apply.

• **U.S. Department of Justice; National Institute of Corrections**: National Institute of Corrections Inaugural Virtual Conference: Event Planning and Delivery

Notice seeking applications to enter into a cooperative agreement for a 9-month project period for the design, scheduling, promotion, production, and delivery of an NIC Virtual Conference entitled "Handcuff Key to Door Key: A Systems Approach to Re-Entry". Applications are due August 8, 2012. One award is anticipated. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


• **U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention**: OJJDP FY 2012 Evaluation of OJJDP's Juvenile Justice Reform and Reinvestment Initiative

Notice seeking applications to develop and implement an integrated set of research-based and cost-measurement tools to help realign juvenile justice services and costs. Applications are due August 23, 2012. Approximately $700,000 is available to support one award. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


• **U.S. Department of Labor; Office of Disability Employment Policy**: National Technical Assistance and Demonstration Center on Preparing Youth With Disabilities for Employment

Notice seeking applications to provide technical assistance, training, and information to Workforce Investment Act (WIA)-funded youth programs and current and former DOL grantees to aid them in integrating evidence-based effective practices for improving transition results for young people with disabilities enrolled in these programs. Applications are due August 17, 2012. Approximately up to $1.1 million is available. Eligibility is unrestricted. Partnerships are encouraged.


### HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Service; Health Resources and Services Administration**: R40 Maternal and Child Health Research Program (MCHR)

Notice seeking applications to support applied research relating to maternal and child health services which show promise of substantial contribution to advancement of the current knowledge pool, and when used in States and communities should result in health and health services improvements. Research proposals should address critical MCH questions such as public health systems and infrastructure, health disparities, quality of care, and promoting the health of MCH populations, which also support the goals of the Health Resources and Services Administration. Applications are due September 12, 2012. Approximately $1.8 million is available to support up to six awards. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.

**Links**: Solicitation https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/FundingOppDetails.asp?FundingCycleId =65AB5FD7-D4D4-4092-97F1-3EFD398227D9&ViewMode=EU&GoBack=&PrintMode=&OnlineAvailabilityFlag=&pageNumber=&version=&NC=&Popup= Grants.gov notice http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=187054

• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Administration for Community Living**: President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities Meeting via Conference Call

Notice announcing an open meeting to discuss plans for developing the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities (PCPID) 2012 Report to the President. The meeting will be held on August 9, 2012 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. EDT, via audio conferencing. Details for public access to the Committee Conference Call are: Toll Free Dial-In Number: 888-989-0724; Pass Code: 1939592.


• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality**: Request for Information on Quality Measurement Enabled by Health IT

Notice seeking information related to successful strategies and/or remaining challenges encountered regarding the development of health IT-enabled quality measure development and reporting. Comments must be submitted on or before August 20, 2012 and should be addressed to HIT-PTQ@AHRQ.hhs.gov. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Food and Drug Administration:** Food and Drug Administration Pediatric Medical Devices Workshop; Notice of Workshop

Notice announcing a workshop to focus on challenges in pediatric device development—namely, business planning and funding concerns; and how sponsors can most effectively interact with the FDA. The goal of this meeting is to engage and educate pediatric innovators and device industry sponsors. The interactive meeting will also include a “mock” FDA pre-submission meeting for a “mock” pediatric medical device, to illustrate how such encounters may transpire. In addition, attendees will have an opportunity during lunch to engage with Pediatric Device Consortia Grant Program leaders. The workshop will be held on September 24, 2012, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the FDA White Oak Campus, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 31 Conference Center, the Great Room (rm. 1503), Silver Spring, MD.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development:** Development of Mathematical Cognition and Reasoning and the Prevention of Math Learning Disabilities

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**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development:** Reproductive Scientist Development Program (RSDP) [K12]

Notice seeking applications to provide career development support for obstetricians and gynecologists who have completed their clinical training, and who are committed to a career conducting basic science research in an academic setting. Letters of Intent are requested and due October 15, 2012. Applications are due November 15, 2012. Approximately $1.8 million is available to support one award. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development:** Development of Mathematical Cognition and Reasoning and the Prevention of Math Learning Disabilities

Notice seeking applications to stimulate innovative, multidisciplinary research on the cognitive, neuroplasticity, genetic and environmental factors involved in math learning and learning disabilities. R01 applications are due February 5, June 5, and October 5 annually. R03 and R21 applications are due February 16, June 16, and October 16 annually. Program expires January 8, 2015. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; National Institute of General Medical Sciences:** Genetic and Genomic Analysis of Xenopus

Notice seeking applications designed to exploit and enhance the power of Xenopus as a vertebrate model for biomedical research. Applications may propose to develop new tools or genetic, genomic, or proteomic resources of high priority to the Xenopus research community to advance the detection and characterization of genes, pathways, and phenotypes of interest in development, organogenesis, and in cell biological processes such as cell division, signaling and migration. Letters of intent are requested and due 30 days before application due date. Applications are due October 1, 2012, September 30, 2013, and September 30, 2014. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; Multiple Institutes:** Ethical Issues in Research on HIV/AIDS and its Co-morbidities

Notice seeking applications to address ethical issues in research relevant to populations with HIV and associated co-morbidities, and populations at high risk of HIV acquisition. The bioethics projects supported through this program announcement will focus on at least one of the following three goals: 1) Development of the empirical knowledge base for human subjects protection and ethics standards in HIV/AIDS research; 2) Development of conceptual bioethics approaches to advance scholarship on difficult ethical challenges in HIV/AIDS research; or, 3) Supporting the integration of bioethics work with ongoing research in HIV/AIDS. Applications are due January 7, 2013; January 7, 2014; and January 7, 2015. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply. For all applications, the research team is strongly encouraged to include at least one person with demonstrated expertise and scholarship in bioethics.

Notice seeking applications for five separate centers: Network Group Operations Centers; Network Group Statistics and Data Management Centers; Network Group Integrated Translational Science Centers; Lead Academic Participating Site Centers; and Network Radiotherapy and Imaging Core Services Centers. Letters of intent are requested and due by December 15, 2012. Applications are due by January 15, 2013. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply. LIMITED SUBMISSION: One application per institution


Notice seeking applications to develop multidisciplinary career development programs that will equip new MD and PhD (or equivalent) investigators with the knowledge and skills to apply pan-omics and integrated approaches to elucidating genomic and molecular bases of lung disease, including heterogeneity, key regulatory networks, and relevant disease biomarkers, with the goal of advancing understanding of lung disease pathobiology and lung disease personalized medicine applications. Letters of intent are requested and due September 26, 2012. Applications are due October 26, 2012. Approximately $1 million is available in FY13 to support up to eight awards. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply. LIMITED SUBMISSION: One application per institution.


Notice seeking innovative applications using comparative approaches to explore the physiological pathways influencing aging and age-related changes across vertebrate species or across strains of a given species. Proposed studies may include: cellular and molecular aspects of pathway regulation at the tissue and organism level, cellular physiology studies in cultured cells including induced pluripotent stem cells, and other comparative approaches to evaluate lifespan and/or health span. Approaches of interest include: comparative studies on the function of individual components of the cellular/molecular pathways, identification of species/strain differences in downstream effectors of the pathways involved in health span, evaluation of the responsiveness of the components and pathways to upstream effectors, and identification of components of the pathways that can be modulated in nontoxic ways. Letters of intent are requested and due September 19, 2012. Applications are due October 19, 2012. Approximately $500,000 is available to support six to eight awards. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


Notice seeking applications for research projects that focus on generating experimental evidence to determine the biochemical function(s) of hypothetical genes, unknown open reading frames (ORFs), and the function(s) of noncoding RNAs. All applicants must propose to study a minimum of 10 genes per year in each of the three categories of uncharacterized genes and include a focus on one or more NIAID Category A-C pathogens and Emerging/Re-Emerging pathogens. Letters of intent are requested and due October 12, 2012. Applications are due November 13, 2012. Approximately $7.1 million is available to support three to five awards in FY 2013. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


Notice seeking applications that propose to conduct studies ancillary to privately or publicly funded, large, ongoing clinical projects. These large, ongoing, parent projects can be clinical trials, observational studies, or disease registries that can provide sufficient cohorts of well-characterized patients, infrastructure, data, and biological samples but ancillary studies should focus on areas that are not studied in the parent project and address new research questions that are related to the mission of NIAMS. Letters of intent are requested and due November 3, 2012 and March 15, 2013. Applications are due December 3, 2012 and April 16, 2013. Approximately $1.5 million is available to support four to six awards. Program expires April 17, 2013. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of General Medical Sciences:** Institutional Research and Academic Career Development Awards (IRACDA) (K12)

Notice seeking applications to support a traditional mentored postdoctoral research experience at an RII combined with an opportunity to develop the academic skills, including teaching, through workshops and through mentored teaching assignments of postdoctoral fellows at a partner institution. Applications are due September 24, 2012. Consortia of colleges and universities are eligible to apply. The lead applicant institution must be an RII, and it must serve as the primary site of the postdoctoral research experience. The consortium must also include one or more partners that are institutions with a demonstrated commitment to the training and encouragement of groups underrepresented in biomedical and behavioral research. **LIMITED SUBMISSION:** One application per institution is allowed.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of General Medical Sciences:** Instrument Development for Biomedical Applications (R21)

Notice seeking applications for the development of new or improved instrumentation for biomedical research. Projects should propose tools that can be used by a wide range of biomedical or clinical researchers, and not limited to a specific organ or disease. Applications are due October 30, 2012. Approximately $2 million is available to support 10 to 15 awards in FY 2013. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute on Aging; Office of Research on Women's Health:** Secondary Analyses and Archiving of Social and Behavioral Datasets in Aging (R03)

Notice seeking applications for (1) secondary analysis of data on aging in the areas of psychology, behavioral genetics, economics, demography or (2) archiving and dissemination of data sets. Letters of intent are requested and due September 3, 2012. Applications are due October 19, 2012. Approximately $1 million is available in support. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute on Drug Abuse:** Behavioral Science Track Award for Rapid Transition (B/START) (R03)

Notice seeking applications to facilitate the entry of beginning investigators into the field of behavioral science research related to drug abuse. To be appropriate for a B/START award, research must be primarily focused on behavioral processes and research questions. Applications are due October 16, February 16, and June 16 annually. Program expires September 8, 2015. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


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

**National Aeronautics and Space Administration:** Small Business Event: Proposal Preparation for NASA SBIR Release

Notice of a free webinar that will provide detailed instruction on various elements of proposal preparation and proposal submission procedures, offering insight on the elements of a competitive SBIR/STTR proposal. The webinar will be July 25th, 2012, 1:00 - 2:30 Eastern Time (~60 minute presentation plus Q&A). Advanced registration is required. Instructions on how to log on to the webinar will be emailed within a week prior to the webinar. To register, visit [https://web1.oai.org/SBIR-ProposalPrepJuly25.nsf](https://web1.oai.org/SBIR-ProposalPrepJuly25.nsf)

**Links:** FBO notice [http://prod.nais.nasa.gov/cgi-bin/eps/synopsis.cgi?acqid=152667](http://prod.nais.nasa.gov/cgi-bin/eps/synopsis.cgi?acqid=152667)

**National Aeronautics and Space Administration:** Science Mission Directorate: ROSES 2012: Planetary Mission Data Analysis

Notice seeking proposals to enhance the scientific return of Planetary Science Division missions by broadening the scientific participation in the analysis of archived data collected by those missions. The PMDAP also welcomes the submission of "data archiving" proposals. The program seeks to identify science data collections that are considered of significant value to solar system science. Notices of Intent to apply are required and due by August 17, 2012. Proposals are due October 12, 2012. Approximately $2.5 million is available to support 10-13 awards. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.

• National Science Foundation and National Institutes of Health and U.S. Department of Agriculture and U.K. Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council: Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases

Notice seeking proposals to support research on the ecological, evolutionary, and socio-ecological principles and processes that influence the transmission dynamics of infectious diseases. The central theme of submitted projects must be quantitative or computational understanding of pathogen transmission dynamics. The intent is discovery of principles of infectious disease transmission and on testing mathematical or computational models that elucidate infectious disease systems. Proposals are due December 5, 2012. Approximately $12 million is available to support eight awards at a minimum of $1 million per award; and a maximum of $2.5 million per award. Colleges and universities are eligible.


• National Science Foundation, Directorate for Mathematical and Physical Sciences: Advisory Committee for Mathematical and Physical Sciences

Notice announcing a meeting to provide advice and recommendations concerning NSF science and education activities within the Directorate for Mathematical and Physical Sciences. A report of the Portfolio Review subcommittee for the Division of Astronomical Science Report of the NSF Materials 2022 subcommittee for the Division of Materials Research will be given. Meeting will be held on August 16, 2012 from 2:00 p.m.to 4:00 p.m. at The National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA, Room 1235.


• National Science Foundation; Directorate for Mathematical & Physical Sciences: Astronomy and Astrophysics Research Grants

Notice seeking proposals for observational, theoretical, laboratory and archival data studies in all areas of astronomy and astrophysics, including but not limited to the following areas of study: Planetary Astronomy; Stellar Astronomy and Astrophysics; Galactic Astronomy; and Extragalactic Astronomy and Cosmology. Proposals are due from September 15, 2012 to November 15, 2012. Approximately $40 million is available to support 100 awards. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


• National Science Foundation; Multiple Directorates: Innovation Corps - Regional Node Program (I-Corps Node)

Notice seeking proposals to build a network of regional nodes that will work cooperatively to establish, utilize and sustain a national innovation ecosystem that further enhances the development of technologies, products and processes that benefit society. The interconnected nodes of this network may be diverse in research areas, resources, tools, programs, capabilities, and in geographic locations - while the network will have the flexibility to grow or reconfigure as needs arise. Proposals are due October 19, 2012. Approximately $2 million is available to support four awards. Funding for a single-institution proposer is $350,000 per year for up to three years; funding for two-institution teams is $750,000 per year for up to three years; and funding for three-institution teams is $1.25 million per year for up to three years. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply. LIMITED SUBMISSION: One submission per institution.


• National Science Foundation; Office of Integrative Activities: Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR): Workshop Opportunities

Notice supporting proposals for workshops that will focus on innovative ways to address multi-jurisdictional efforts on themes of regional to national importance with relevance to EPSCoR's goals/objectives and NSF's mission. Proposals are accepted at anytime. Approximately $.5 million is available to support five awards at a minimum of $100,000 per award. All jurisdictions that currently participate in EPSCoR are eligible to submit workshop proposals. Non-EPSCoR institutions and individuals may participate in the collaborative workshop activities, but they cannot lead the workshop proposal effort, nor can they be recipients of NSF EPSCoR funds. Jurisdictions that are newly eligible for EPSCoR funding must have received a planning grant before submitting proposals to any of the EPSCoR programs.


Notice seeking applications for scholarships and fellowships to support nuclear science, engineering, and related disciplines to develop a workforce capable of supporting the design, construction, operation, and regulation of nuclear facilities and the safe handling of nuclear materials. Recipients must demonstrate satisfactory academic progress in their fields of study. NRC also requires scholarship and fellowship recipients to serve six months in nuclear-related employment for each full or partial year of academic support. Applications are due October 5, 2012. Fellows will receive up to $50,000 in funding each year for up to four years. Scholars will receive up to $10,000 is funding each year for up to two years. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply. LIMITED SUBMISSION: Only one application for the Scholarship Program and one application for the Fellowship Program are allowed. If requesting both scholarships and fellowships they should be requested in separate applications. One application per institution is allowed.

• **U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission:** U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Funding Opportunity Announcement, Nuclear Education Curricula Development Grant, Fiscal Year 2013

Notice seeking applications to support courses, studies, training, curricula, and disciplines pertaining to nuclear safety, nuclear security, nuclear environmental protection, and other fields that the Commission determines to be critical to the NRC’s regulatory mission. Please see full announcement for complete list of over thirty interest areas. Applications are due October 3, 2012. Approximately $4.7 million is available to support multiple awards. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply. LIMITED SUBMISSION: Institutions may submit more than one application provided each application is programatically distinct. However, it is unlikely a college or university will receive more than one grant award.


• **U.S. Department of Defense; Department of the Air Force; Air Force Office of Scientific Research:** Fiscal Year 2013 University NanoSatellite Program

Notice seeking proposals to promote and sustain university research and education focused on small satellites (nanosats) and related technologies. The primary outcome of individual projects funded under this program is the design, fabrication and functional testing of a nanosat. Secondary objectives are to foster research in enabling technologies for nanosats and the design of experiments that can be performed by nanosats in orbit. Proposals are due October 16, 2012. Multiple awards of up to $55,000 are available. Colleges and universities with degree-granting programs in science and/or engineering are eligible to apply.


• **U.S. Department of Defense; Department of the Navy; Office of Naval Research:** Co-Prime Sensor Array Signal Processing

Notice seeking white papers responding to the Co-Prime Signal Processing Basic Research Challenge topic. White papers are due August 17, 2012. Proposals are due September 21, 2012. ONR plans to fund eight to ten individual awards with a value of $100,000 to $150,000 per year, using Research funds. Eligibility is unrestricted.


• **U.S. Department of Energy; Office of Science:** Early Career Research Program

Notice seeking applications to support the development of individual research programs of outstanding scientists early in their careers and to stimulate research careers in the following program areas: Advanced Scientific Computing Research (ASCR); Biological and Environmental Research (BER); Basic Energy Sciences (BES); Fusion Energy Sciences (FES); High Energy Physics (HEP); and Nuclear Physics (NP). Preliminary applications are required and due September 6, 2012. Invited applications are due November 26, 2012. Approximately up to $6 million is available to support 30 to 50 awards. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


• **U.S. Department of Energy; Office of Science:** Terrestrial Ecosystem Science

Notice seeking applications designed around measurements, experiments, modeling and synthesis to provide improved quantitative and predictive understanding of terrestrial ecosystem processes that can affect atmospheric greenhouse gas concentration changes and thereby affect the greenhouse gas forcing of climate. Applicants are encouraged to consider utilization of, or collaboration with, sites that have existing support thereby leveraging ongoing investments, archived samples and long-term data sets. Pre-applications are required and due August 17, 2012. Invited applications are due November 12, 2012. Approximately $3 million is available to support 12 to 18 awards. Eligibility is unrestricted.


• **U.S. Department of the Interior; National Park Service:** RFEI - Jamaica Bay Science

Notice seeking expressions of interest from organizations interested in partnering in the establishments of a center for science and resilience in New York City's Jamaica Bay. Questions are due October 1, 2012. Submission materials are due November 2, 2012.


Notice that the U.S. Geological Survey is creating 10-year strategies for each of its Mission Areas: Climate and Land Use Change; Core Science Systems; Ecosystems; Energy and Minerals; Environmental Health; Natural Hazards; and Water. This process involves gathering input from the public on draft strategy documents. Feedback is requested through September 1, 2012. Feedback can be offered at http://www.usgs.gov/start_with_science.

**U.S. Department of Transportation: Office of Small & Disadvantaged Utilization:** Notice of Funding Availability for the Small Business Transportation Resource Center - Mid Atlantic Region

Notice seeking proposals to provide outreach to the small business community in a designated region and provide financial and technical assistance, business training programs, business assessment, management training, counseling, marketing and outreach, and the dissemination of information, to encourage and assist small businesses to become better prepared to compete for, obtain, and manage DOT funded transportation-related contracts and subcontracts at the federal, state and local levels. Proposals are due September 3, 2012. A minimum of $140,000 per award; and a maximum of $183,000 per award are supported. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply.


**U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission:** U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), Faculty Development Grant, Fiscal Year 2013.

Notice seeking applications to support both research and faculty development (course development, equipment, travel funds, stipends) to attract and retain highly-qualified individuals in academic teaching careers. The grants specifically target probationary, tenure-track faculty during the first 6 years of their career and new faculty hires in the following academic areas: Nuclear Engineering, Health Physics, Radiochemistry, Probability Risk Assessment (Levels 2 & 3) and related disciplines. Applications are due October 5, 2012. Approximately $450,000 is available to support multiple awards. Colleges and universities are eligible to apply. Cost sharing is required. LIMITED SUBMISSION: One application per institution.

**Links:** Grants.gov notice http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=187013

**U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission:** U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Funding Opportunity Announcement, Trade School and Community College Scholarship Grant, Fiscal Year 2013

Notice seeking applications to support for nuclear science, engineering, technology, and related disciplines to develop a workforce capable of supporting the design, construction, operation, and regulation of nuclear facilities and the safe handling of nuclear materials. Applications are due October 5, 2012. Approximately up to $150,000 per institution for a project period of two years for Scholarship awards. Eligible applicants are trade schools or community colleges, which must be postsecondary educational institutions or programs accredited by an accrediting agency or state approval agency. LIMITED SUBMISSION: You may submit only one application for a Trade School or Community College Scholarship.

**Links:** Grants.gov notice http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=187074