

ARTS, HUMANITIES, and INTERNATIONAL

Carter G. Woodson Institute – Post-Doctoral Fellowship 2026

Notice seeking applications for early-career post-doctoral researchers across humanities and social sciences. The fellowship emphasizes African American and African Diasporic Studies, with work focusing on the U.S., Caribbean, Latin America, Africa, and/or the Diaspora. Fellows will hold the title of Research Associate and Lecturer.

Applications are due December 1, 2025. This is a twelve-month full residential fellowship at University of Virginia that is renewable for a second year. Fellowship is up to \$53,000 in year one with an increase in the second year.

LINKS: [Agency Site](#)

First Book Grant for Religion Scholars of Color

Notice seeking applications from early career, pre-tenured religion scholars of color to complete a major research project about Christian faith and life, the practice of ministry, religious trends and movements, Christian and other faith-based institutions, and religion and social issues. Of particular interest are projects that bridge academic scholarship and the life of the church in North America.

Applications are due January 15, 2026. Multiple awards up to \$55,000 are anticipated.

LINKS: [Solicitation](#)

Individual Support Grant

Notice seeking applications from artists who have worked in a mature phase of art for 20 years or more. Artists must work in the disciplines of painting, sculpture, or printmaking. Maturity is based on the level of intellectual, technical and creative development maintained over this time period.

Applications are due January 15, 2026. 20 awards of \$25,000 each are anticipated.

LINKS: [Agency Site](#)

Les Paul Foundation Grants

Notice seeking applications to support for programs and projects that encourage innovation in music production and/or performance and to innovative STEM or STEAM programs for students and others in challenging situations. All programs must describe how Les Paul's story will be shared.

Applications are due annually on January 15 or September 15. Award amounts for first-time recipients typically receive \$1,500 - \$2,000 but amounts are not fixed.

LINKS: [Agency Site](#)

EDUCATION and ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Institute for Law & AI Summer Research Fellowship (US)

Notice seeking applications for Summer Research Fellowship—a mostly remote paid opportunity for law students, professionals, and academics interested in the intersection of AI law, policy, and governance. Fellows will receive hands-on mentorship, develop independent or collaborative research projects, and

engage with leading experts in AI governance. The program aims to advance understanding of how legal frameworks can shape safe and beneficial artificial intelligence systems.

Applications are due January 30, 2026. Fellows will be provided with weekly compensation of \$1,500. Applicants must have a strong understanding of the legal principles applicable to AI regulation in US Law and Policy. Fellows are also expected to attend the in-person week in Washington, D.C. or Berkeley, CA, from June 22 to 26, with eligible travel expenses covered, including flights, accommodation, and meals.

LINKS: [Agency Site](#)

EveryCat Health Foundation Feline Health Research

Notice seeking applications for projects exploring all aspects pertaining to feline health, including shelter medicine, nutrition, and behavior. EveryCat awards grants to scientists and professionals in research which concerns the origins of feline illness, diagnosis of feline diseases, development of effective treatments, and the identification of disease prevention strategies.

Applications are due January 9, 2026. Awards are up to \$50,000.

LINKS: [Solicitation](#)

Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE): Special Projects; Assistance Listing Number (ALN) 84.116J

Notice seeking applications to support innovative projects concerning one or more areas of national need identified by the Secretary. This competition focuses on supporting four areas of national need—(1) advancing the understanding of and use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology in postsecondary education, (2) promoting civil discourse on college and university campuses, (3) promoting accreditation reform, and (4) supporting capacity-building for high-quality short-term programs.

Applications are due December 3, 2025. An estimated \$167 million is available to fund 89 awards.

LINKS: [Grants.gov](#); [Federal Register](#)

Walmart Foundation Spark Good Local Grants

Notice seeking applications designed to address the unique needs of the communities where they operate. Spark Good Local Grants are awarded through an open application process to eligible organizations operating in and directly benefiting the service area of the facility from which they are requesting funding.

Applications are due December 31, 2025. Grants range from \$250 to \$5,000.

LINKS: [Solicitation](#)

HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

American Association for Cancer Research Grants

Notice seeking letters of intent (LOIs) for various AACR awards that range from career development to young investigator awards.

LOIs deadlines, award amounts, and eligibility vary by award.

LINKS: [Agency Site](#)

Gates Foundation Accelerating Innovation in Vaginal Formulations in Support of Women's Health

Notice seeking applications to accelerate innovation in vaginal formulations in support of women's health. The foundation solicits applications that contribute to development of formulations that promote optimal intervaginal drug delivery while positively supporting women's health, and that also possess beneficial effects.

Applications are due December 16, 2025. The maximum award is up to \$250,000 over a duration of two years.

LINKS: [Agency Site](#)

Hearing Health Foundation Emerging Research Grants

Notice seeking letters of intent (LOIs) for HHF's Emerging Research grants program which various awards including: Elizabeth M. Keithley, PhD Early-Stage Investigator Awards, Focused Discovery Awards, and Expanded Discovery Awards. HHF aims to prevent and cure hearing loss and tinnitus through groundbreaking research and to promote hearing health.

LOIs are due December 5, 2025. Eligible applicants must hold an AuD, MD, PhD, or equivalent degree, and hold an appointment at a nonprofit educational, governmental, or other research institution located in the United States. Funding varies by award.

LINKS: [Agency Site](#)

Voloridge Health Clinical Research Awards

Notice seeking applications to support researchers and innovators with in-kind research awards to advance preventive health science. Selected applicants receive predictive risk model analyses, consultation with the Voloridge Health data science team, and opportunities to co-publish in peer-reviewed journals.

Applications are due anytime until May 6, 2026. This program offers up to \$50,000 worth of data science services to enhance applicants' clinical dataset with risk scores across multiple chronic diseases.

LINKS: [Agency Site](#)

American Lung Association Dalsemer Interstitial Research Grant

Notice seeking applications to provide seed funding to junior investigators on the path to independence to support research into the mechanisms and biology of interstitial lung disease.

Applications are due December 1, 2025. The award will provide \$50,000 per year for up to two years.

LINKS: [Solicitation](#)

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Research Grants

Notice seeking applications intended to support basic science research. Studies may be carried out at the subcellular, cellular, animal, or patient levels. Proposals must be hypothesis-driven and provide sufficient preliminary data to justify foundation support.

Applications are due December 9, 2025. Grants of up to \$150,000 per year (plus 12 percent for indirect costs) for up to three years will be awarded; a grant may be competitively renewed for additional funding.

LINKS: [Solicitation](#)

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

Foundation for Food & Agriculture Research Packaging Innovation Program

Notice seeking applications to develop packaging and packaging alternatives for specialty crops compliant with emerging regulations in the European Union, the United Kingdom, Canada, Japan, and other key markets. This program is seeking research applications for novel sustainable packaging or packaging alternatives that can replace single-use packaging and single-use plastic packaging that offer at least some of the same functions economically.

Applications are due December 17, 2025. An estimated 20 awards will be offered ranging from \$50,000 to \$250,000 each.

LINKS: [Agency Site](#)

PADI Foundation Aquatic Research

Notice seeking applications for support of worthwhile projects that either enrich mankind's understanding of aquatic environments and encourage sensitivity to and protection of ecosystems, increase understanding of sport diving physics and physiology that will benefit the general diving public and add to the scientific understanding of humanity's relationship and ability to survive in the underwater environment, or improve understanding of, and response to, hazards to humans and ecosystems related to climate change in coastal and ocean environments.

Applications are due January 15, 2026. Awards are up to \$12,000.

LINKS: [Solicitation](#)