National Science Foundation Funding Opportunities

The NSF is accepting applications for the SoS: DCI Program, which is designed to "increase the public value of scientific activity." Funding will support research in three basic areas: how to (1) increase the rate of socially beneficial discovery, (2) improve science communication outcomes, and (3) expand the societal benefits of scientific activity. Proposals are due February 10th, 2020. Click here for more information.

The NSF is requesting proposals for its Emerging Frontiers in Research and Innovation (EFRI-2020). This grant will support research that will increase engineering knowledge in two specific areas: Distributed Chemical Manufacturing (DChem) and Engineering the Elimination of End-of-Life Plastics (E3P). Applications are due March 26th, 2020. Click here for more information.

National Institutes of Health Funding Opportunity

The NIH is accepting applications for a funding opportunity that will "support research to explore the impacts of extreme weather and disaster events on the basic biology of aging". NIH aims to fund studies in "laboratory animals that will complement and inform studies in the companion FOA on the adverse effects of extreme weather and related disasters in the elderly and adults over the aging life course". There are multiple deadlines for applications. For more information, click here.

Spencer Foundation Funding Opportunities

The Spencer Foundation is accepting applications for their Large Research Grants Program to "support education research projects that will contribute to the improvement of education, broadly conceived." The application deadline is January 14th, 2020. For more information, click here.

The Spencer Foundation is accepting applications for the Lyle Spencer Research Awards to Transform Education. This grant will "support intellectually ambitious research projects that aspire to transform education with budgets between $525,000 and $1 million and project durations of up to five years." Applications are due February 26th, 2020. For more information, click here.

National Science Foundation Website Outage November 8th-12th

The NSF is migrating its business applications to a more flexible platform from November 8th to the 12th. During this time, there will be no access to their FastLane and Research.gov platforms. Research proposals, cash requests, and project reports cannot be prepared or submitted to these websites during that time.

#HelpfulTips

We all know the feeling of submitting a grant draft, work project, or research proposal and having it handed back covered in red ink. Receiving constructive criticism is never easy—especially when you’ve dedicated a lot of time, thought, and energy. This article from CNBC provides tips on how to fight discouragement and use constructive criticism to make your next grant draft even better.

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