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Faculty Spotlight!



Dr. Norm Levine is an Associate Professor of Geology & Environmental Geosciences and an active member of the Environmental and Sustainability Studies Program. He is an applied geologist, specializing in the integration of GIS and remote sensing technology in geologic, environmental, and hazards issues and geoarchaeology. He has been recognized for his work in natural hazards ranging from climate change science to earthquake and landslide mitigation. Dr. Levine is a fellow of the Geological Society of America and a NASA climate change scientist. He is currently the editor for the South Carolina Geology Journal, the director of CofC's Santee Cooper GIS and Remote Sensing Lab, and the director of the Low Country Hazards Center. Additionally, he is the current director of the South Carolina Earthquake Education and Preparedness Program. Dr. Levine has served as primary advisor to 58 graduate students and maintained a consistent research and grant profile since tenure, receiving a total of \$1,851,664 in grant funding.

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Funding Opportunity



The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is accepting applications for its Interdisciplinary Research Leaders program, a three-year national leadership development program whose goal is to "support new interdisciplinary, action-oriented research collaborations that will help build the evidence base for effective community interventions to improve health for all."

Specifically, the 2020 cohort will focus on one of two themes: (1) Community Environment and Health or (2) Families and Child Health. Up to 15 teams of three mid-career individuals each (two researchers and a community partner per team) will be selected. Teams whose individuals come from diverse disciplinary backgrounds or scientific perspectives will be supported. Applications are due March 11, 2020 at 3 p.m. EST. Click here for more information.

National Science Foundation Funding Opportunities



The NSF is accepting applications for its Linguistics Program which supports basic science in the domain of human language, encompassing the grammatical properties of individual human languages, and of natural language in general. Research areas include syntax, linguistic semantics and pragmatics, morphology, phonetics, and phonology. Applications are due July 15, 2020. Click here for more information.

The NSF is supporting research that aims to create solutions for pressing environmental and sustainability challenges which will require input and imaginative approaches from a wide range of fields. They have identified five challenges that should be addressed as a society: (1) supply food, water, and energy sustainably, (2) curb climate change and adapt to its impacts, (3) design a future without pollution, (4) create efficient, healthy, and resilient cities, and (4) foster informed decisions and actions. Applications are due April 30, 2020. Click here for more information.

National Endowment for the Humanities Funding Opportunity



The NEH is accepting applications for its Fellowships program, which will support individual scholars who are pursuing projects that "embody exceptional research, rigorous analysis, and clear writing." These fellowships will provide recipients time to conduct research or produce books, monographs, peer-reviewed articles, e-books, digital materials, translations with annotations, or critical editions resulting from previous research. Applications are due April 8, 2020. Click here for more information.

National Archives and Records Administration



The National Historical Publications and Records Commission is seeking proposals to publish documentary editions of historical records. The goal of this program is to provide access to the historical documents and records that tell the American story; projects are welcome that "engage the public, expand civic education, and promote understanding of the nation's history, democracy, and culture from the founding era to the present day." Applications are due June 10, 2020. Click here for more information.

#HelpfulTips



Have you ever considered becoming a grant reviewer for a federal agency? This is not only an excellent way to serve your field, it will also give you 1) an inside look at the agency's process for accepting projects to fund, 2) direct contact with program officers who may review your future applications, and 3) the opportunity to join a network of experienced colleagues in your field for potential future collaborations. Check out this article about becoming an NSF Reviewer.

Meet ORGA



Jamileh Soueidan is one of three Graduate Assistants at ORGA. She is currently working on her masters degrees in both environmental and sustainability studies and public administration. Her main role at ORGA is to assist Susan, Sara, and Julie which includes searching for funding for faculty research, helping review compliance procedures, and maintaining the office's social media presence. In her spare time, she enjoys looking for shark teeth on the beach with her husband and dog!

For information on how to contact ORGA, please visit our website. We look forward to working with you on your research endeavors!

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