

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Funding Opportunity



The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is accepting applications for its Pioneering Ideas: Exploring the Future to Build a Culture of Health, which seeks proposals that are “primed to influence health equity in the future.” The four areas of focus are: Future of Evidence; Future of Social Interaction; Future of Food; Future of Work. Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis. For more information, [click here](#).

South Carolina Sea Grant Funding Opportunities



Sea Grant is seeking proposals for its National Sea Grant College program, which seeks to support two projects as part of the Sea Grant Federal Partnership Liaison program and will have approximately \$200,000 per year for four years. The National Federal Partnership Liaisons will work with the Sea Grant Network and federal partners to identify needs and products on key national Sea Grant topics (e.g. hurricanes, flooding, and coastal storms, marine, aquatic and coastal hazards, fishing communities). Applications are due November 3, 2020. For more information, [click here](#).

The National Sea Grant College Program was created to support federal and state partnerships that harness the intellectual capacity of the nation’s universities and research institutions to solve problems and generate opportunities in coastal communities. This grant seeks to fund special projects consistent with the National Sea Grant College Program’s strategic plan. Applications are due September 30, 2020. For more information, [click here](#).

National Science Foundation Funding Opportunities



The National Science Foundation's Plant Biotic Interactions Program overall seeks to support research that will "deepen our understanding of the fundamental processes that mediate interactions between plants and the organisms with which they intimately associate and advance the application of that knowledge to benefit agriculture." Applications are currently being accepted on a rolling basis. For more information, [click here](#).

The National Science Foundation’s Coastlines and People Hubs for Research and Broadening Participation (CoPe) seeks to support projects that focus on critically important coastlines and people research. Understanding the risks associated with coastal hazards requires a holistic Earth Systems approach that integrates improved understanding of natural, social, and technological processes with efforts to increase the resilience of coastal systems. Applications are due October 28, 2020. For more information, [click here](#).

Department of Education Funding Opportunity



The Department of Education’s Institute of Education Sciences (IES) grants program supports research in expanding knowledge and understanding of (1) developmental and school readiness outcomes for infants and toddlers with a disability, (2) education outcomes for all learners from early childhood education through postsecondary and adult education, and (3) employment and wage outcomes when relevant. This program is designed to provide the public with reliable and valid information about education practices that support learning and improve academic achievement for all learners. Applications are due August 20, 2020, with an optional Letter of Intent due June 11, 2020. For more information, [click here](#).

Helpful Tip!



Want to be more involved with CofC? The College is currently engaged in a strategic planning effort, with an overarching goal of articulating a shared vision of the College’s future and “to make that vision a reality through the identification of key strategic priorities and specific outcomes tied to actionable plans.” Since September 2019, more than 5,000 faculty, staff, students, administrators, alumni, and community members have participated! To review the Strategic Plan and share your feedback, [click here](#).

Meet ORGA’s Pets!



As ORGA has worked remotely these past weeks, our pets have become beloved co-workers. Paz is Grants Administrator Julie Renkas’s rescue dog. He is about 14 years old and has been in the family for 12 years. Paz is rather shy, but once his trust is gained, it’s never lost! He has loved having Julie home during the week and supervises her from a double-decker dog bed next to her home office desk.