National Science Foundation (NSF) Funding Opportunities

The Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) is an NSF foundation-wide program that supports active participation in science, engineering, and education research by undergraduate students. REU proposals are welcome in any of the research areas supported by NSF. According to the NSF, “the REU program seeks to expand student participation in all kinds of research--both disciplinary and interdisciplinary--encompassing efforts by individual investigators, groups, centers, national facilities, and others. It draws on the integration of research and education to attract a diverse pool of talented students into careers in science and engineering, including teaching and education research related to science and engineering, and to help ensure that these students receive the best education possible.” Awards are typically made between $80,000 and $130,000 per year over a total project duration of three to five years. REU experiences typically host 8-10 students each year. The application deadline is August 24, 2022. For more information please, click here.

The Division of Chemistry: Disciplinary Research Programs (CHE-DRP) supports the research community engaged in fundamental discovery, invention, and innovation in the chemical sciences. Projects and programs supported by CHE should explore the frontiers of chemical science, develop the foundations for future technologies and industries that meet changing societal needs, and prepare the next generation of chemical researchers. Individual or small team research proposals may be submitted to any of the nine Division of Chemistry’s disciplinary research programs including the Chemical Catalysis (CAT); Chemical Measurement and Imaging (CMI); Chemical Structure, Dynamics and Mechanisms-A (CSDM-A); Chemical Structure Dynamics and Mechanisms-B (CSDM-B); Chemical Synthesis (SYN); Chemical Theory, Models and Computational Methods (CTMC); Chemistry of Life Processes (CLP); Environmental Chemical Sciences (ECS); and Macromolecular, Supramolecular and Nanochemistry (MSN) programs. CHE-DRP award size varies among programs but averages $150,000 per year for a three year project duration ($450,000 total) for single PI awards. Submission window dates are open annually from September 1 - 30 and October 1 – 30. For more information please, click here.

The South Carolina Humanities Grant Program

SC Humanities grants support public humanities programs designed to be accessible by a broad audience, to serve citizens in urban, rural, and small-town settings, and to make possible humanities programs that illuminate and enrich the lives of both audiences and scholars. Major Grants support public humanities programs that are large in scale. Awards are made between $2,000 and $10,000. The deadline for the final application round for FY22 Major Grants is August 10, 2022 for programs beginning after November 1, 2022. The Fast Track Literary Grant supports new or existing public literary programs such as, writers series, festivals, conferences, workshops, or writer’s residencies at schools. Awards are $3,000 or less. The deadline for the final application round for FY22 Fast Track Literary Grant is September 1, 2022 for programs starting after October 15, 2022. For more information about the SC Humanities Grants Programs please, click here.

The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation is a non-profit grantmaking institution that funds research and education in science, technology, engineering, mathematics and economics. The foundation supports high quality scientific research that fosters a diverse scientific workforce, strengthens public understanding of and engagement with the sciences, and promotes the health of scientific institutions. Four broad categories of grantmaking programs are available: research, higher education, technology, and public understanding. All invited proposals must detail original initiatives led by outstanding individuals or teams that support projects with a high expected return to society and exhibit a high degree of rigor. For more information about the Foundation’s grants please, click here.

The National Endowment for the Humanities – Humanities Collections & Reference Resources

The NEH Humanities Collections and Reference Resources (HCRR) program advances scholarship, education, and public programming in the humanities by helping libraries, archives, museums, and historical organizations across the country steward important collections of books and manuscripts, photographs, sound recordings and moving images, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, art and material culture, and digital objects. All projects should make the intellectual content of humanities collections widely available, involve partnerships between organizations and collaboration between humanities professionals, expand participation in cultural heritage, and promote engagement with primary sources. The maximum award amount is $350,000 over a three year project period. The application deadline is July 19, 2022 for projects starting between June 1 and September 1, 2023. For more information please, click here.

The William T. Grant Foundation

The William T Grant Foundation is a private grant giving organization that invests in high-quality research focused on reducing inequality in youth outcomes and improving the use of research evidence in decisions that affect young people (ages 5-25) in the United States. The Research Grants on Reducing Inequality Program funds studies that build, test, and increase understanding of program, policies, or practices to reduce inequality in the academic, social, behavioral, or economic outcomes of youth. Priority is given to studies that aim to reduce inequalities that exist along dimensions of race, ethnicity, economic standing, language minority status, or immigrant origins. The Research Grants on Improving the Use of Research Evidence Program funds studies about how to improve the use of research evidence in ways that benefit youth. The application deadline for both programs is August 3, 2022. For more information please, click here.