

## 1. Foundation Solicitations

### a) Kauffman Foundation Accepting Nominations for Junior Faculty Fellowship Grants to Support Research in Entrepreneurship

The foundation will award up to seven fellowship grants to faculty members in the United States who are currently researching issues of theoretical and practical importance to the domain of entrepreneurship. Each fellow's university will receive a grant of \$40,000 over two years to support the research activities of the fellow. Nominees must be tenured or tenure-track junior faculty members at accredited U.S. institutions of higher education and must have received a Ph.D. or equivalent doctoral degree between January 1, 2007, and December 31, 2010. To be eligible, candidates must first be nominated and then be invited to complete an application. Multiple nominations are permitted by a single nominator, and universities may have multiple faculty members nominated for the fellowship.

Deadline January 23, 2012 [Link to Complete RFP](#)

### b) National Film Preservation Foundation Announces Registration Deadline for Avant-Garde Masters Grants

The program supports the preservation of a film or films by a single filmmaker or from a cinematic group significant to the development of avant-garde film in America. Works made within the last twenty years are not eligible. Grants will range between \$10,000 and \$50,000.

Registration Deadline January 31, 2012

Application Deadline March 2, 2012

[Link to Complete RFP](#)

### c) Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Public Health Law Research Program Invites Letters of Intent for Rapid Response Grants

The **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** seeks to build evidence for and strengthen the use of regulatory legal and policy solutions to improve public health. RWJF is equally interested in identifying and ameliorating laws and legal practices that unintentionally harm health.

Deadline Letters of Intent December 29, 2011

[Link to Complete RFP](#)

### d) McCormick Foundation's New Media Women Entrepreneurs Program Offers Funding for Women-Led Projects

**J-Lab: The Institute for Interactive Journalism** and the **McCormick Foundation** are seeking to fund four women-led projects that will "rock the world of journalism."

The McCormick New Media Women Entrepreneurs program will fund U.S.-based individuals who have original ideas for new Web sites, mobile news services, or other entrepreneurial initiatives that offer interactive opportunities to engage, inspire, and improve news and information in a geographic community or a community of interest. There is a \$25 fee to apply.

Deadline January 27, 2012 [Link to Complete RFP](#)

## 2. Texas Department of Agriculture Specialty Crop Block Grant Program

The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) is pleased to announce the competitive solicitation to award 2012 Specialty Crop Block Grant Program – Farm Bill (SCBGP-FB) funds for projects that enhance the competitiveness of Texas specialty crops and \$1.85 million is available for Texas projects.

For RFP and application

<http://www.texasagriculture.gov/>.

Deadline February 23, 2012

### 3. National Science Foundation

#### **Dear Colleague Letter - CREATIV: Creative Research Awards for Transformative Interdisciplinary Ventures**

"INSPIRE is aimed to encourage cross-disciplinary science. INSPIRE will help to break down any disciplinary barriers that may exist within NSF and encourage its program managers to use new tools, collaboration modes and techniques in the merit-review process to widen the pool of prospective discoveries that may be hidden from or circumvented by traditional means."

CREATIV is the first grant award mechanism under INSPIRE, and will be the only one launched in FY 2012. In brief, its distinguishing characteristics are: *only internal merit review is required; proposals must be interdisciplinary and potentially transformative; requests may be up to \$1,000,000 and up to five years duration* (further details and specifications below). In the future, [further announcements](#) will be made regarding INSPIRE activities to be launched in FY 2013 and beyond. The funding for INSPIRE in future years is expected to increase substantially each year, reaching a steady state in FY 2016.

Proposals for support in FY 2012 may be [submitted at any time](#) between **December 1, 2011**, and **June 15, 2012**.

Awards will generally support an [individual PI or a small team](#).

The allowable duration is up to five years.

A CREATIV award must be [substantially co-funded](#) by at least two [intellectually distinct](#) NSF divisions or programs (this criterion is elaborated in the FAQ page at

[http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\\_summ.jsp?ods\\_key=nsf12012](http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf12012)). The maximum total award is

\$800,000 for two co-funding programs, and \$1,000,000 for three or more co-funding programs.

All awards are subject to the availability of funds.

[http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2012/nsf12011/nsf12011.jsp?WT.mc\\_id=USNSF\\_25&WT.mc\\_ev=click](http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2012/nsf12011/nsf12011.jsp?WT.mc_id=USNSF_25&WT.mc_ev=click)

### 4. Dear Colleague Letter: The Division of SBE/SES Employment Opportunity for Division Director

NSF is seeking your assistance in identifying potential candidates for the Division Director for Social and Economic Sciences (SES) position.

Appointment to this Senior Executive Service (SES) position may be on a one to three year SES Limited Term basis or the incumbent may be assigned under the provisions of the Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA).

[http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2012/sbe12001/sbe12001.jsp?WT.mc\\_id=USNSF\\_147](http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2012/sbe12001/sbe12001.jsp?WT.mc_id=USNSF_147)

### 5. AHRQ Announces New Information on Funding Opportunities

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) is temporarily suspending individual career development Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs) due to budget constraints. This change applies to the February 12, 2012 new application receipt date and March 12, 2012 receipt date for resubmission applications. Read the official grant policy notice published in the NIH Guide: [Suspension of AHRQ Individual Career Development \(K\) Funding Opportunity Announcements \(FOAs\) for February 5, 2012 Receipt Date](#), (NOT-HS-12-003).

In another related development, AHRQ has announced a new training opportunity available through its Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOA). This award will provide an opportunity for career development support. For more detailed information, go to the following:

- [AHRQ Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institutional Award \(K12\)](#) (RFA-HS-12-001)

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Application Receipt Date(s): January 30, 2012

## 6. Upcoming deadlines NSF

### Algorithms for Threat Detection (ATD)

Full Proposal Deadline Date: January 10, 2012

Program Guidelines: NSF 12-502

### International Collaboration in Chemistry between US Investigators and their Counterparts Abroad (ICC)

Full Proposal Deadline: January 11, 2012

Program Guidelines: NSF 11-585

### Long Term Research in Environmental Biology (LTREB)

Preliminary Proposal Deadline: January 10, 2012

Program Guidelines: NSF 12-501

### Division of Integrative Organismal Systems

Preliminary Proposal Deadline: January 12, 2012

Program Guidelines: NSF 11-572

### Transforming Undergraduate Education in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (TUES)

Full Proposal Deadline: January 13, 2012

For Type 2 and 3 proposals and for TUES Central Resource Project proposals. However, TUES Central Resource Project proposals for small focused workshops may be submitted at any time after consulting with a program officer.

Program Guidelines: NSF 10-544

### Geoinformatics (GI)

Full Proposal Deadline Date: January 13, 2012

Program Guidelines: NSF 11-581

### NSF Fellowships for Transformative Computational Science using CyberInfrastructure (CI TraCS)

Full Proposal Deadline Date: January 13, 2012

Program Guidelines: NSF 10-553

### Mathematical Biology

Full Proposal Window: January 13, 2012

Program Guidelines: PD 09-7334

### Partnerships for Innovation

<http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2012/nsf12511/nsf12511.htm>

Letter of Intent: January 04, 2012

Full Proposal Deadline: March 01, 2012