Office of Sponsored Programs and Research
Funding Announcements

January 24, 2018

The Office of Sponsored Programs and Research (OSPR) is pleased to provide the following information about available funding opportunities. This bulletin is not meant to be a one-stop shop for funding sources; rather, it represents a selection of current funding opportunities that may be of interest to faculty, administrators, and staff at Midwestern State University. The program title hyperlink* will direct you to the complete opportunity listing on SPIN if you are on a campus network computer. The program URL link will direct you to the program sponsor from any internet connected device.

*If the program title link opens the main SPIN search page instead of the program-specific page, leave the SPIN search window open and click the link a second time. This should direct you to the correct page.

How to Apply

Important: If you are interested in applying for these or any other grants, please
- Submit a Notice of Intent to Apply Form to OSPR at least 30 days before the deadline, and
- Submit a Proposal Review and Endorsement Form with the completed application at least 5 days before the deadline.

You can find forms and other helpful grant development resources on the Forms and Templates page of the OSPR website. If you have any questions, please contact research administrator Brittany Norman at ext. 4714 or sponsoredprograms@mwsu.edu.

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Program Title: **NEA Art Works I, FY 2019**  
**Sponsor:** National Endowment for the Arts/National Fndn. on the Arts & Humanities  
**Program URL:** https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/art-works  
**Funding Opportunity Number:** 2018NEA01AW1  
**Application Deadline:** 15-Feb-2018; **second deadline:** 12-Jul-2018  
The sponsor supports public engagement with, and access to, various forms of excellent art across the nation, the creation of art that meets the highest standards of excellence, learning in the arts at all stages of life, and the integration of the arts into the fabric of community life. Projects may be large or small, existing or new, and may take place in any part of the nation. We encourage applications for artistically excellent projects that celebrate America’s creativity and cultural heritage, invite a dialogue that fosters a mutual respect for the diverse beliefs and values of all persons and groups, and enrich our humanity by broadening our understanding of ourselves as individuals and as a society.

Program Title: **American National Election Studies Competition (ANES)**  
**Sponsor:** Directorate for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences/NSF  
**Funding Opportunity Number:** 18-519  
**Application Deadline:** 21-Feb-2018 [LOI/Pre-App]  
The American National Election Studies (ANES) produce high quality data from its own surveys on voting, public opinion, and political participation. The mission of the ANES is to inform explanations of election outcomes by providing data that support rich hypothesis testing, maximize methodological excellence, measure many variables, and promote comparisons across people, contexts, and time. The ANES serves this mission by providing researchers with a view of the political world through the eyes of ordinary citizens. NSF will make two awards totaling no more than $11.5 million over four years. One will be for the traditional face-to-face survey. The second will be for a web-based survey. While these will be independent awards, the two awardees will be expected to work closely together. The expected start date is July 2018.

Program Title: **Grants for Organizations (Production, Presentation, and Publication)**  
**Sponsor:** Graham Foundation for Advanced Studies in Fine Arts  
**Program URL:** http://www.grahamfoundation.org/grant_programs?mode=organization  
**Funding Opportunity Number:** N/A  
**Application Deadline:** 25-Feb-2018  
The Graham Foundation offers Production, Presentation and Publication Support Grants to organizations. These grants assist organizations with the production-related expenses that are necessary to take a project from conceptualization to realization and public presentation. These projects include, but are not limited to, publications, exhibitions, installations, films, new media projects, conferences/lectures, and other public programs.
**Program Title:** NEA Literature Fellowships: Creative Writing, FY2019 (Poetry)  
**Sponsor:** National Endowment for the Arts/National Fndn. on the Arts & Humanities  
**Funding Opportunity Number:** 2018NEA03LFCW  
**Application Deadline:** 26-Feb-2018  
The National Endowment for the Arts Literature Fellowships program offers $25,000 grants in poetry to published creative writers that enable recipients to set aside time for writing, research, travel, and general career advancement. Applications are reviewed through an anonymous process in which the only criteria for review are artistic excellence and artistic merit.

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<td>The Library Company of Philadelphia and The Historical Society of Pennsylvania will jointly award approximately twenty-five one-month fellowships for research in residence in either or both collections during the academic year 2017-2018. These two independent research libraries, adjacent to each other in Center City Philadelphia, have complementary collections capable of supporting research in a variety of fields and disciplines relating to the history of America and the Atlantic world from the 17th through the 19th centuries, as well as Mid-Atlantic regional history to the present.</td>
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<td>Through an annual series of Course Development Grants, SPAM supports the course development by educators at the college level in the history of public and private support for the arts in the United States.</td>
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### New Opportunity

**Program Title:** [NEH Infrastructure and Capacity Building Challenge Grants](https://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/infrastructure-and-capacity-building-challenge-grants)  
**Sponsor:** National Endowment for the Humanities/Natl. Fndn. on the Arts & Humanities  
**Program URL:** https://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/infrastructure-and-capacity-building-challenge-grants  
**Funding Opportunity Number:** 20180315-CHA  
**Application Deadline:** 15-Mar-2018; The staff recommends that (optional) draft proposals be submitted four to six weeks in advance.

Through these grants organizations can increase their humanities capacity with spend-down funds that generate expendable earnings to support and enhance ongoing program activities. Eligible activities include the documentation of cultural heritage materials that are lost or imperiled; the preservation and conservation of humanities materials; and the sustaining of digital scholarly infrastructure. Challenge grants may also provide capital directly supporting the purchase of equipment and software; the design, purchase, construction, restoration, or renovation of facilities needed for humanities activities; and collections sharing. Such direct expenditures bring long-term benefits to the institution and to the humanities more broadly. Grantee institutions may also expend up to 10 percent of total grant funds (federal funds plus matching funds) to defray costs of fundraising to meet the NEH challenge. Challenge grant funds (both federal and nonfederal together) must enhance the humanities in the long term. Challenge grant funds should not merely replace funds already being expended, but instead should reflect careful strategic planning to strengthen and enrich an institution’s humanities activities. Institutions may use challenge grant funds to meet both ongoing and onetime humanities-related costs, provided that the long-term benefit of the expenditure can be demonstrated.

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### New Opportunity

**Program Title:** [Division 17 Counseling Psychology Grants](http://www.apa.org/apf/funding/counseling.aspx?tab=1)  
**Sponsor:** American Psychological Foundation  
**Program URL:** http://www.apa.org/apf/funding/counseling.aspx?tab=1  
**Application Deadline:** 1-Apr-2018  

These grants support not-for-profit activities to enhance the science and practice of counseling psychology. In particular, it aims to support research on the implementation of innovative counseling programs and models.

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### New Opportunity

**Program Title:** [NEH Fellowships](https://www.neh.gov/grants/humanities/scholarships)  
**Sponsor:** National Endowment for the Humanities  
**Program URL:** Click the Program Title link; there is no SPIN link for this program.  
**Funding Opportunity Number:** Will be updated at least two months before the deadline  
**Application Deadline:** 11-Apr-2018  

Fellowships support individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to humanities scholars, general audiences, or both. Recipients usually produce articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly resources in the humanities.
New Opportunity

Program Title: NEH-Mellon Fellowships for Digital Publication
Sponsor: National Endowment for the Humanities
Program URL: Click the Program Title link; there is no SPIN link for this program.
Funding Opportunity Number: Will be updated at least two months before the deadline
Application Deadline: 11-Apr-2018

Through NEH-Mellon Fellowships for Digital Publication, the National Endowment for the Humanities and The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation jointly support individual scholars pursuing interpretive research projects that require digital expression and digital publication. To be eligible for this special opportunity, an applicant’s plans for digital publication must be essential to the project’s research goals. That is, the project must be conceived as digital because the nature of the research and the topics being addressed demand presentation beyond traditional print publication. Successful projects will likely incorporate visual, audio, and/or other multimedia materials or flexible reading pathways that could not be included in traditionally published books, as well as an active distribution plan.

All projects must be interpretive. That is, projects must advance a scholarly argument through digital means and tools. Stand-alone databases and other projects that lack an interpretive argument are not eligible.

Program Title: Texas History Program
Sponsor: Summerlee Foundation
Program URL: http://summerlee.org/texas-history-program/
Application Deadline: N/A

The Texas History Program has embraced a broad and diverse group of projects from all regions of Texas. These projects have included the disciplines of archaeology, archives, libraries, media, middle and secondary schools, higher education, preservation, publications and scholarly research.

Business Administration

Program Title: Grants Program (Economic Literacy)
Sponsor: Kazanjian (Calvin K.) Economics Foundation, Inc.
Program URL: http://www.kazanjian.org/grants/apply
Application Deadline: 15-Feb-2018

The Kazanjian Foundation will support programs that raise various public’s participation in economic education and/or create a demand for greater economic literacy. The application of new strategies for teaching economics including on-line and web-based instruction is of interest to the Foundation. Projects, policy studies, or programs that encourage measurement of economic understanding more often and/or more effectively are of specific interest, and the large number of students at risk of leaving school, and hence never effectively participating in the nation’s economic system are of concern to the Foundation. Programs that help otherwise disenfranchised youth and/or young adults with children learn to participate in the economic system are very important to the Foundation.
**Program Title:** Research Grants Program (Accounting)  
**Sponsor:** National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA)  
**Program URL:** [https://nasba.org/education/researchgrants/](https://nasba.org/education/researchgrants/)  
**Funding Opportunity Number:** N/A  
**Application Date:** 01-Apr-2018

Research grants are available for faculty and postdoctoral researchers at institutions of higher education. The grants are competitive. Research in areas helping NASBA and the State Boards of Accountancy protect the public and be better resources to the public accounting profession are given preference when making the research awards. NASBA will work with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), the American Accounting Associations (AAA), and other organizations to present and publish results of the funded research.

**Program Title:** Economic Development Assistance Programs  
**Sponsor:** Economic Development Assistance Administration/Department of Commerce  
**Program URL:** [https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=290874](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=290874)  
**Application Deadline:** N/A

The Foundation believes that policy makers face a series of challenges that need to be met if the United States is going to continue to prosper and provide opportunity to all of its citizens. Even as public finances begin to recover in the wake of the financial crisis and recession, officials are confronting difficult choices that will have to be made in order to restore long-term fiscal balances while maintaining essential public services. These choices will include decisions regarding how best to raise revenues while also creating an environment conducive to economic growth.

**Program Title:** Domestic Public Policy Program  
**Sponsor:** Richardson (Smith) Foundation, Inc.  
**Program URL:** [https://www.srf.org/apply-now/](https://www.srf.org/apply-now/)  
**Application Deadline:** Each applicant must submit a concept paper for review before the formal application process.

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**Program Title:** Finance Research Projects  
**Sponsor:** Society of Actuaries  
**Program URL:** [https://www.soa.org/research-opps/Finance-Research-Projects/](https://www.soa.org/research-opps/Finance-Research-Projects/)  
**Application Deadline:** N/A

The Society of Actuaries' Committee on Finance Research (CFR) is seeking proposals for research projects that will produce information, data, theoretical models and/or empirical tools useful to actuaries practicing in investment and other finance-related areas.
Program Title: **Economics Grants**

**Sponsor:** Sloan (Alfred P.) Foundation  
**Program URL:** [https://sloan.org/programs/economics/](https://sloan.org/programs/economics/)

**Application Deadline:** N/A

The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation believes that a theory-based, empirically-tested understanding of the U.S. economy is essential to improving the American quality of life. The Foundation funds grants for high-quality original research that promise to broaden that understanding or use it to improve American institutions. Grants in the Economic Performance and Quality of Life program have expanded our knowledge of how particular industries function, encouraged better communication and cooperation between citizens and their local governments, and focused scholarly and public attention on the issues and challenges faced by contemporary working families.

**Note:** A second Sloan Foundation opportunity involving economic research titled “**Energy and Environment Grants**” can be found in this bulletin under **Interdisciplinary Opportunities.**

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**Education**

**Program Title:** National Center for Education Research (NCSER)--Low-Cost, Short-Duration evaluation of Special Education Interventions-2  
**Sponsor:** Institute of Education Sciences/Department of Education  
**Program URL:** [https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=294184](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=294184)

**Funding Opportunity Number:** ED-GRANTS-053017-009  
**Application Deadline:** 01-Mar-2018

The Institute’s purpose in awarding these grants is to provide national leadership in expanding fundamental knowledge and understanding of (1) developmental and school readiness outcomes for infants and toddlers with or at risk for a disability, and (2) education outcomes for all students from early childhood education through postsecondary and adult education. The Institute's research grant programs are designed to provide interested individuals and the general public with reliable and valid information about education practices that support learning and improve academic achievement and access to education opportunities for all students.

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**New Opportunity**

**Program Title:** Literacy Grants  
**Sponsor:** Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi  
**Program URL:** [http://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/literacy#.WlvcEainHDc](http://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/literacy#.WlvcEainHDc)

**Application Deadline:** 1-Apr-2018

The Literacy Grants program was initiated to mobilize members and resources of Phi Kappa Phi and the higher education community to champion literacy initiatives. Grants of up to $2,500 are available to Phi Kappa Phi chapters and individual members to fund ongoing literacy projects or to create new initiatives.
Program Title: Academic Enrichment Grants
Sponsor: McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation
Program URL: http://mccartheydressman.org/academic-enrichment-grants/
Application Deadline: 15-Apr-2018
The McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation offers Academic Enrichment Grants designed to develop in-class and extra-curricular programs that improve student learning. The Foundation considers proposals that foster understanding, deepen students’ knowledge, and provide opportunities to expand awareness of the world around them.

Program Title: Strategic Initiatives: The New Civics--Small Grants
Sponsor: Spencer Foundation
Program URL: https://www.spencer.org/the-new-civics
Application Deadline: 01-May-2018
This area represents the broader Foundation belief that cultivating knowledge and new ideas about civic education will ultimately improve students’ lives and enrich society. The designation “new” refers to an expanded understanding of civic education and its relationship to civic action. Thus, proposals with this focus would deepen understanding of influences on civic action, attend to social inequalities in civic education, and have the potential to shape future research and practice in these fields.

Health Sciences and Human Services

Program Title: Diet and Physical Activity Assessment Methodology (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)
Sponsor: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases/NIH/DHHS
Funding Opportunity Number: PAR-18-112
Application Deadline: 17-May-2018 [LOI/Pre-App]; 16-Jun-2018 [Full]
NIH invites applications for innovative research to enhance the quality of measurements of dietary intake and physical activity. Applications are encouraged to include development of: novel assessment approaches; better methods to evaluate instruments; assessment tools for culturally diverse populations or various age groups, including children and older adults; improved technology or applications of existing technology; statistical methods/modeling to improve assessment and/or to correct for measurement errors or biases; methods to investigate the multidimensionality of diet and physical activity behavior through pattern analysis; or integrated measurement of diet and physical activity along with the environmental context of such behaviors.
New Opportunity

Program Title: **Education and Health: New Frontiers (R21) Clinical Trial Optional**

Sponsor: Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research/NIH/DHHS


Funding Opportunity Number: PAR-18-362

Application Deadline: 16-Jun-2018

National Institutes of Health (NIH) invites applications for research that will further elucidate the pathways involved in the relationship between education and health outcomes and in doing so to carefully identify the specific aspects and qualities of education that are responsible for this relationship and what the mediating factors are that affect the nature of the causal relationship. A better scientific understanding of the mechanisms linking education and health could lead to additional and improved prevention and therapeutic intervention strategies for important health problems. It is strongly encouraged that an application involve new teams of multidisciplinary researchers with expertise in both health and education domains.

**Note:** There is also an R03 Small Grant Program award for this FOA. You can find the SPIN link here.

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New Opportunity

Program Title: **Methodology and Measurement in the Behavioral and Social Sciences**

Sponsor: Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research/NIH/DHHS


Funding Opportunity Number: PAR-18-352

Application Deadline: 16-Jun-2018

The behavioral and social sciences offer significant fundamental insights into the comprehensive understanding of human health, including disease etiology, prevention, treatment, and the promotion of health and well-being. To advance the investigation of behavioral and social factors in health and disease, and enhance the rigor and reproducibility of study results, the participating Institutes and Centers (ICs) invite qualified researchers to submit research grant applications on methodology and measurement in the behavioral and social sciences relevant to the missions of the NIH ICs. Applicants are encouraged but not required to address methodologic issues related to:

- interdisciplinary, multimethod, and multilevel approaches in behavioral and social science research, including broadly applicable approaches that foster integration with biomedical, physical, or computational science research or engineering.
- integrating, mining and modeling behavioral and social science data in combination with genetic, epigenetic, biomarker and imaging data.
- research in diverse populations that are distinctive by virtue of demographics, cultural or linguistic characteristics, sexual orientation or gender identity, health system, mental or physical abilities, underrepresentation in research or other factors, where the outcome would have a significant impact on improving health in that population.
- the study of sensitive health-related behaviors in the context of healthcare, the social environment, and local/state/national policies.
- ethics in research.
Program Title: Population Health Interventions: Integrating Individual and Group Level Evidence (R21) –Clinical Trial Not Allowed
Sponsor: Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research/NIH/DHHS
Funding Opportunity Number: PA-18-406
Application Deadline: 16-Jun-2018

National Institutes of Health (NIH) and its participating Institutes and Centers invite applications for multilevel, transdisciplinary population health interventions that target underlying social, economic, and environmental conditions in an effort to improve health outcomes. This funding announcement promotes research that utilizes interventions targeting multiple levels, including the individual level (behavioral, familial) and clinical/community level (including the health care system at both the regional and national level). Population health studies focus on the "upstream" level determinants of health – those basic and primary social factors that are fundamental to group level differences in health outcomes. Population health interventions (PHI) provide a way to advance health by linking research at a variety of different levels and allows for the consideration of scale in accounting for human interaction and environmental factors simultaneously. Applicants are strongly encouraged to build multidisciplinary teams comprised of researchers from multiple social and behavioral science fields as well as basic health science and clinical researchers.

Science and Mathematics

Program Title: Monarch Garden Grants
Sponsor: Native Plant Society of Texas
Program URL: http://npsot.org/wp/monarchs/
Application Deadline: 15-Feb-2018

The Native Plant Society of Texas awards small grants to nature centers, schools, educational groups and others to help fund development of Monarch demonstration gardens or Waystations on public sites in their immediate areas. This program was started to educate members and the public about Monarch conservation and to encourage restoration of Monarch habitats throughout the Texas migration flyway.

Program Title: Enhancing Communication and Use of Information in Engineering
Sponsor: Engineering Information Foundation
Program URL: http://www.eifgrants.org/info/infostmt.html
Application Deadline: 28-Feb-2018

Educational and research programs that advance the more effective use of information in engineering and applied science, with special emphasis on learning communication skills are eligible. Support for curriculum development is limited to this program area only. Grants range to a maximum of $25,000.
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<td>A well-educated science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) workforce is a significant contributor to maintaining the competitiveness of the U.S. in the global economy. The National Science Foundation (NSF) Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (S-STEM) program addresses the need for a high quality STEM workforce in STEM disciplines supported by the program and for the increased success of low-income academically talented students with demonstrated financial need who are pursuing associate, baccalaureate, or graduate degrees in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Recognizing that financial aid alone cannot increase retention and graduation in STEM, the program provides awards to Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) to fund scholarships and to advance the adaptation, implementation, and study of effective evidence-based curricular and co-curricular activities that support recruitment, retention, transfer (if appropriate), student success, academic/career pathways, and graduation in STEM. The S-STEM program encourages collaborations among different types of partners: Partnerships among different types of institutions; collaborations of STEM faculty and institutional, educational, and social science researchers; and partnerships among institutions of higher education and local business and industry, if appropriate.</td>
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<td>The Cyberinfrastructure for Sustained Scientific Innovation (CSSI) umbrella program encompasses the long-running Data Infrastructure Building Blocks (DIBBs) and Software Infrastructure for Sustained Innovation (SI2) programs, as NSF seeks to enable funding opportunities that are flexible and responsive to the evolving and emerging needs in data and software cyberinfrastructure.</td>
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Program Title: Cyberinfrastructure for Emerging Science and Engineering Research (CESER)
Sponsor: Directorate for Computer and Information Sciences and Engineering/NSF
Program URL: https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505385
Funding Opportunity Number: PD-17-7684
Application Deadline: N/A; before developing a proposal intended for this program, investigators are strongly encouraged to discuss their ideas with the cognizant program officer associated with the CESER program.

The overall goal of the Cyberinfrastructure for Emerging Science and Engineering Research (CESER) program is to foster the development of innovative cyberinfrastructure (CI) technologies and new means of leveraging existing CI resources to catalyze emerging areas of potentially transformative science and engineering research, including NSF priority areas, national strategic initiatives, and international collaborative research.

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New Opportunity

Program Title: Research Grants (Academic Advising)
Sponsor: National Academic Advising Association
Program URL: http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Resources/Research-Related/ResearchGrant.aspx
Application Date: 15-Mar-2018

NACADA research support is intended to facilitate research related to academic advising. Quantitative, qualitative, or mixed methodologies are welcome, as is research from a variety of disciplinary perspectives. Program assessment is not funded. Successful proposals will clearly describe the development, implementation, analysis, and reporting of rigorous inquiry that investigates academic advising’s impact, context, or theoretical basis.

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New Opportunity

Program Title: Wells Fargo Charitable Contributions: Texas
Sponsor: Wells Fargo
Program URL: https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/charitable/tx_guidelines
Application Date: Varies by funding area

Wells Fargo makes contributions in areas that they believe are important to the future of our nation's vitality and success. The first priority is to support programs and organizations whose chief purpose is to benefit low-and moderate-income individuals and families. They look for projects that keep communities strong, diverse, and vibrant. Wells Fargo focuses their giving in several areas: Community Development, Education, Human Services, Arts and Culture, Civic Education and the Environment. The sponsor also considers request from organizations that help enhance a community's quality of life through arts and culture or civic projects.

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**Interdisciplinary**

Program Title: Energy and Environment Grants  
Sponsor: Sloan (Alfred P.) Foundation  
Program URL: https://sloan.org/programs/energy-and-environment  
Application Deadline: N/A  
Grantmaking in this small interdisciplinary program looks for unique opportunities to expand our understanding of the economic, technological, organizational, regulatory, national security, and environmental consequences of energy production and consumption.

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Program Title: Grants Program (Public Welfare)  
Sponsor: Public Welfare Foundation  
Program URL: http://www.publicwelfare.org/grants-process/apply-for-a-grant/  
Funding Opportunity Number: N/A  
Application Deadline: LOIs are accepted on a rolling basis. If, after review, a full proposal is invited, applicants will be assigned a deadline for the proposal submission.  
The Public Welfare Foundation supports efforts to ensure fundamental rights and opportunities for people in need. The sponsor looks for carefully defined points where their funds can make a difference in bringing about systemic changes that can improve lives. The sponsor focuses on three program areas: Criminal Justice, Youth Justice and Workers’ Rights.

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**Student Opportunities**

Program Title: Mickey Leland Environmental Internship Program  
Sponsor: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Program URL: http://www.tceq.texas.gov/adminservices/employ/mickeyleland/index.html  
Application Deadline: 9-Mar-2018  
The program provides summer internship opportunities for college students to learn about environmental issues and gain professional experience. These paid, full-time summer internships, are held either at the TCEQ or in the private sector.

Program Title: Ann Miller Gonzalez Research Grants: Graduate Students  
Sponsor: Native Plant Society of Texas  
Program URL: http://npsot.org/wp/education/research-grants/  
Application Deadline: 18-Mar-2018  
The Native Plant Society of Texas (NPSOT) will award research grants to university graduate students for academic research related to Texas native plants and/or to conservation and restoration of native-plant habitats of Texas.
### INROADS Internship Program

**Sponsor:** INROADS, inc.  
**Program URL:** [https://inroads.org/internships/apply/](https://inroads.org/internships/apply/)  
**Application Deadline:** 31-Mar-2018

INROADS seeks high performing students for internship opportunities with some of the nation's largest companies. Qualifications are as follows: must be pursuing first undergraduate degree at an accredited college or university; be a full-time undergraduate college student with at least one summer or 27 credit hours remaining before graduating college; maintain a 3.0 or higher GPA; and have a major or career interest in Business, Finance, Accounting, Economics, Engineering (STEM), Supply Chain Management, Computer Science/MIS, Healthcare, Retail Management and Liberal Arts.

### Mathematics Advanced Study Seminars (MASS) Program

**Sponsor:** Pennsylvania State University  
**Program URL:** [https://www.math.psu.edu/mass/content/mass-poster](https://www.math.psu.edu/mass/content/mass-poster)  
**Application Deadline:** 15-Apr-2018

The Mathematics Advanced Study Semesters (MASS) program started in the Fall of 1996 and is held during the Fall semester of each year. The program combines advanced learning with research initiation and provides a highly charged interactive environment among a critical mass of talented and motivated students and a committed group of strong research faculty and top graduate students.

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Searching for External Funders

Quick link: http://infoedglobal.com/InfoEd-SPIN the Worlds #1 Funding Opportunities Database. A tool for funding opportunity searches and matching is now available.

MSU subscribes to InfoEd-SPIN database to help faculty and staff find external funding programs. Within the funding database, you can choose to actively search for funding agencies, or you can establish a weekly alert service that will send new funding opportunities according to key words that you identify. For this service, you will need to set up an account. Contact the Office of Sponsored Programs and Research for assistance.

We will come to your office to demonstrate SPIN or set up your account. We are also available to conduct searches for you.

OSPR Contact Information:
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Ph: 940-397-4714
sponsoredprograms@mwsu.edu

Other Resources and Forms for the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Institute of Health (NIH)

*Please click the link above and you will be directed to the Office of Sponsored Program’s forms site with examples of budget templates, biosketch forms and formats for reference letters. Please note that these are only examples, and you should always consult the grant application package for the proper form.

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