



External Faculty Early Career Awards – Social and Educational Sciences



Agency/Award	Deadline	Synopsis
Alzheimer's Association Research Grant	May 10	This program provides newly independent investigators with funding to develop preliminary or pilot data, test procedures, and develop hypotheses. Each award is limited to \$150,000 for up to three years.
The American Academy of Arts and Sciences Visiting Scholars Program	See website	This program provides residential fellowships for junior faculty members and postdoctoral scholars in the humanities and social sciences. The Academy seeks proposals in the humanities and social sciences relating to American history, culture, and public policy from the founding period to the present.
American Federation for Aging Research New Investigator Awards in Alzheimer's Disease	LOIs due January; Full applications due March	This program supports research in areas in which more scientific investigation is needed to improve the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of Alzheimer's. It is anticipated that up to 3 grants of \$100,000 each will be awarded in 2017.
American Political Science Association Congressional Fellowship Program for Political Scientists	December 1, 2016	Political Science fellows will have completed a PhD in the last 15 years. The program is open to scholars in all fields of study within political science who can show a scholarly interest in Congress and the legislative process. Fellows receive a \$50,000 stipend and small travel allowance for the 9.5-month fellowship period.
Brain and Behavior Research Foundation NARSAD Young Investigator Grant	Varies; program is offered annually	This award provides support for young scientists conducting neurobiological research. Two-year awards up to \$70,000, or \$35,000 per year are provided to enable promising investigators to either extend research fellowship training or begin careers as independent research faculty. Basic and/or clinical investigators are supported, but research must be relevant to serious brain and behavior disorders.

Department of Education – Research Training in Special Education: Early Career Development and Mentoring	LOIs due May 19; full application due August 4	This program is funded through IES and provides support for new investigators in special education and early intervention in order to help train a robust cohort of new researchers in institutions of higher education. The program provides support to early investigators to help develop “methodological, content, and grant writing expertise needed to develop a strong line of research.”
Foundation for Child Development Young Scholars Program	October 19, 2016	The FCD Young Scholars Program (YSP) supports policy and practice-relevant research that is focused on the early learning and development needs of the nation’s children who are growing up under conditions of economic insecurity and social exclusion.
International Life Sciences Institute North America Future Leader Awards	June 17	This award supports new investigators in the areas of experimental nutrition, nutrition and toxicology, and nutrition and food science. Provides \$15,000 per year for two years.
March of Dimes Basil O’Connor Starter Scholar Research Awards	Nominations due March 16	This award is designed to support young scientists just embarking on their independent research careers and is limited to those holding recent faculty appointments. These grants may not exceed \$75,000 per year and are awarded for two years.
March of Dimes General Research Grants	LOI due April 30; full applications due September 15	Applications are invited for research grants directed at the prevention of birth defects, premature birth, and infant mortality, including basic biological processes of development, genetics, clinical studies, studies of reproductive health, environmental toxicology, and studies in social and behavioral sciences that focus on factors contributing to adverse pregnancy outcomes, and on consequences of birth defects and prematurity.
McKnight Foundation Scholar Awards	January 4	Awards encourage neuroscientists in the early stages of their careers to focus on disorders of learning and memory. The Foundation especially seeks applicants working on problems that, if solved, would have immediate and significant impact on clinically relevant issues. Awards are \$75,000 per year for three years.

<p>National Institutes of Health Career Development Awards (K Awards)</p>	<p>February 12, June 12, October 12 (new applications)</p>	<p>The objective of the K Awards Program is to provide institutional research training opportunities (including international) to trainees at the undergraduate, graduate and postdoctoral levels, to provide support to increase the pool of individuals with academic and research expertise to become academic researchers, and to enhance the educational or research capacity at the sponsoring institution. K Awards of relevance to new investigators include: Academic Career Development Award (K07); Career Transition Award (K22).</p>
<p>The Spencer Foundation Small Research Grants</p>	<p>Accepted four times per year: Feb 1, 2017 May 1, 2017 Aug 1, 2017 Nov 1, 2017</p>	<p>The Small Research Grants program is intended to support education research projects with budgets of \$50,000 or less. In keeping with the Spencer Foundation's mission, this program aims to fund academic work that will contribute to the improvement of education, broadly conceived. Historically, the work we have funded through these grants has spanned, a range of topics and disciplines, including education, psychology, sociology, economics, history, and anthropology, and they employ a wide range of research methods.</p>
<p>William T. Grant Foundation Scholars Program</p>	<p>July</p>	<p>The program promotes the development of promising early career researchers from diverse disciplines whose research furthers understanding of the development of adolescents and young adults and the conditions that enable these youth to reach their full potential. Awards are for \$350,000 over five years.</p>