Rockefeller Brothers Fund Refocuses its Western Balkans Program Guidelines

The Rockefeller Brothers Fund makes about $28 million in grants each year, ranging from $30,000 to more than $1 million, to organizations around the world, in three program areas: Democratic Practice (focused on government transparency), Peacebuilding (focused on policy and civil society organizations), and Sustainable Development (focused on climate change).

The Fund also focuses grantmaking on two pivotal places: Southern China and the Western Balkans. RBF's new Western Balkans grantmaking guidelines stress supporting the successful integration of the Western Balkans into the European Union and strengthening relationships among the program's core countries, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, and Serbia. >>Read more

JPMorgan Chase Awards $13.8 Million for Veterans Institute at Syracuse University

JPMorgan Chase announced a $13.8 million grant to Syracuse University that renews its support for the university's Institute for Veterans and Military Families (IVMF) through 2020. JPMorgan Chase co-founded the IVMF at Syracuse five years ago. The grant supports the institute's mission of advancing the post-service lives of America’s service members, veterans and their families through programs, research and policy analysis. >>Read more

Announcing NEH-Mellon Fellowships for Digital Publication

The National Endowment for the Humanities and the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation are partnering to encourage more scholars to pursue digital-first research projects. The NEH-Mellon Fellowships for Digital Publication are intended to encourage scholars engaged in humanities research that will lead to a digital publication, and support continuous full-time work for a period of six to 12 months. Successful applicants receive a stipend of $4,200 per month, with a maximum stipend of $50,400 for a 12-month period. The application deadline for the initial cycle is April 28. >>Read more

George Washington University Health Workforce Institute Receives $5.5 Million Grant from Atlantic Philanthropies

Researchers at the George Washington University's Health Workforce Institute recently announced a $5.5 million grant from The Atlantic Philanthropies to promote health workforce equity by identifying, connecting and preparing leaders in the field to advance the social mission in health professions education. The five-year project will focus on making sure communities of different economic statuses, especially those in the D.C. area, are receiving equal levels of health care, and will also provide mentorship for D.C. students pursuing health care careers. >>Read more

Templeton Foundation Funds Human Origins Research

The Stone Age Institute -- in partnership with Indiana University's Cognitive Science Program and prehistoric archaeological research projects in Tanzania, the Republic of Georgia and China -- has received a $3.2 million, three-year grant from the John Templeton Foundation, one of the largest ever awarded for human origins research. The funded project, titled “What Drives Human Cognitive Evolution?” will critically examine and explore the prehistoric evidence for fossil human brain expansion; the associated behavioral, technological and adaptive patterns in the archaeological record; and the implications for how cognition evolved. >>Read more

Human Frontier Science Program Announces Latest Round of Life Sciences Research Grants

At its March board meeting, HFSP awarded about $34 million to 32 international teams. The Strasbourg-based Human Frontier Science Program Organization is funded by member governments (including EU and G7 countries) to promote international scientific collaboration. >>Read more

Highlighted Funding Opportunity

Pre-proposals for the Research Corporation for Scientific Advancement's Cottrell Scholar Award are due on May 16. Eligible applicants are tenure-track faculty members who started their first tenure-track appointment in CY13 and whose primary appointment is in the department of astronomy, chemistry or physics. Cottrell Scholar Awards are for three-year projects in the amount of $100,000 for the entire project. >>Read more

GrantForward Tip Of The Month

The GrantForward Researcher Welcome Guide (PDF) will help you through the basics of using GrantForward by reviewing making accounts, searching for funding opportunities, and creating GrantForward Researcher Profiles. Once you learn the basics of GrantForward, you'll be moving your research forward in no time. >>Read more

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