We're here to assist you!

The Office of Corporate and Foundation Relations (CFR) assists UMass faculty and staff with non-governmental, institutional grant opportunities. For more information on the types of assistance we provide, please visit the Services page on our website.

For all grant opportunities requiring a 501(c)3 submission, we will arrange applying through the University of Massachusetts Foundation. This 501(c)3 process has strict timelines; please contact our office as early as possible to assure that the funder's deadline can be met.

To request an addition to or removal from this notice and for general questions, please contact CFR staff at cfr@adm.umass.edu. For additional assistance and referrals, contact Director Liz Smith, or Director Michael Stein. Please share widely.

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I. Engineering, Science & Medical
1. American Academy of Family Physicians
Joint Grant Awards Program (JGAP)
Deadline: January 9, 2018
Amount: Up to $50,000 over 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: The principal investigator must be a Family Medicine researcher (a clinician or PhD). The principal investigator or one of the co-investigators must be a member of the AAFP. Priority is given to new researchers or those who mentor new investigators on the research team. The following may apply:

- Individual family physicians
- Family Medicine organizations or associations
- Family Medicine residency programs
- Department of Family Medicine
- Education and health care institutions or organizations that will use the JGAP support exclusively for research projects directly involving and impacting Family Medicine

The JGAP provides support to research projects that have significant relevancy to Family Medicine. Interests include:

- Research of value to the practicing family physician
- Projects of one- or two-years duration
- Proposals that are for a separate and unique project
- Pilot Studies

2. Angelman Syndrome Foundation (ASF)
Research Grants
Deadline: October 15, 2017
Amount: Up to $200,000 over 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: 5-6
Eligibility: Researchers from all countries are encouraged to apply.

Highest priority will be given to pilot projects to test new ideas about pathogenesis and therapeutics of Angelman syndrome, translational research and clinical research studies. Of particular interest to the ASF are studies related to communication, behavioral issues and identification of issues and treatments that impact the daily life of people with Angelman syndrome and their families.

3. AT Children's Project
Research Grant
Deadline (LOI): August 1, 2017
Amount: Up to $150,000 over 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: 5-10
Eligibility: Proposals from young investigators, established principal investigators and clinicians, scientists from other disciplines, and individuals with innovative new ideas for A-T research are encouraged, from academia as well as industry. Scientists from the US and around the globe are welcome to apply for funding.

The Foundation's greatest interest is in funding translational and clinical research projects, particularly those projects focused on the neurological problems faced by all patients with A-T. Particular interest is in disease-modifying strategies that would prevent, slow, or stop the progression of the disease as well as symptom-improving strategies that address neural circuit function, immune system health and lung function.

4. International Myeloma Foundation (IMF)
Brian D. Novis Junior Research Grant
Deadline: August 1, 2017
Amount: $50,000
Number of Grants/Year: Up to 5
Eligibility: The qualifications for a candidate for the Brian D. Novis Junior Research Award include the following:
• Completed postdoctoral studies or clinical fellowships no later than August 1 of the application year.
• Ability to devote a minimum of 50% of his or her time to the research project during the Award year.
• Ability to provide a completed application with evidence of a meritorious research project.
• NIH, other foundations or similar funding agencies.

These awards go to researchers doing work in the field of multiple myeloma and related disorders including smoldering myeloma, MGUS (monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance) as well as immunoglobulin derived amyloidosis.

Brian D. Novis Senior Research Grant
Deadline: August 1, 2017
Amount: $80,000
Number of Grants/Year: Up to 5
Eligibility: The qualifications for a candidate for the Brian D. Novis Senior Research Award include the following:

• Ability to provide a completed application with evidence of a meritorious research project.
• NIH, other foundations or similar funding agencies.

These awards are targeted to established investigators with a track record in myeloma or related disorders, and are designed for projects which represent a different focus, direction, or area of research from those in which they are currently funded. In most cases, these awards will be for pilot projects to obtain sufficient funding for larger applications from NIH or similar larger funding agencies.

5. JDRF Foundation
Strategic Research Agreements
Deadline: August 1, 2017
Amount: $600,000 per year for up to 3 years
Number of Grants/Year: 30-50
Eligibility: Applicants must hold an MD, DMD, DVM, PhD, or equivalent and have a faculty position or equivalent at a college, university, medical school, company, or other research facility. Applications may be submitted by domestic and foreign non-profit organizations, public and private, such as colleges, universities, hospitals, laboratories, units of state and local governments, and eligible agencies of the federal government. There are no citizenship requirements for this program.

JDRF's Strategic Research Agreements provide research funding for single or multiple investigators to address critical gaps and challenges and potential breakthroughs in Type 1 diabetes research. The Strategic Research Agreement is a partnership between Investigator(s) and JDRF Scientists to help address roadblocks and accelerate JDRF's mission through support of cutting-edge scientific investigation. Further, this mechanism embodies cooperative development of a research plan, interim quarterly reporting on milestones and interaction with JDRF scientists prior to and during the award period.

6. Mesothelioma Applied Research Foundation
Grants for Mesothelioma Research
Deadline: August 5, 2017
Amount: Up to $100,000 over 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: Up to 5
Eligibility: Eligible projects may relate to benchwork, translational or clinical research that is not presently funded and may be conducted through any not-for-profit academic, medical or research institution. We encourage all levels and degrees of scientists to apply.

Encouraged projects include, but are not limited to:

• Strategies for early detection and prevention of mesothelioma;
• Definition of targetable differences between normal and transformed mesothelium and development of novel strategies for treatment taking advantage of these targets;
• Determination of clinical/molecular determinants for prognosis Therapeutic intervention, including but not limited to:
  ○ Immune Response Targeted Therapy
  ○ Novel chemotherapeutic compounds
  ○ Novel radiation or surgical techniques

7. National Ataxia Foundation (NAF)
Pioneer Spinocerebellar Ataxias (SCA) Translational Research Award
Deadline (LOI): August 15, 2017
Amount: $100,000 over 1 year
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Applications will be accepted from for-profit organizations, non-profit organizations, public or private institutions, and institutions both inside and outside the United States.

Focusing on research investigations that will facilitate the development of treatments for the Spinocerebellar Ataxias (SCAs).

8. National Foundation for Cancer Research
Szent-Gyorgyi Prize for Progress in Cancer Research
Deadline: September 3, 2017
Amount: $25,000
Number of Grants/Year: 1
Eligibility: Nominations for the Prize may be made by individuals from the research community, industry, government, or other organizations who are sufficiently familiar with the research accomplishments and contributions of the nominee. Self-nominations will not be accepted. Candidates must have made an original discovery or breakthrough in scientific understanding that has led to better prevention, earlier diagnosis, or new treatments for patients with cancer.

Candidates will be reviewed and evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. Seminal discovery or a body of work that has resulted in, or led toward, notable contributions to cancer prevention, diagnosis, or treatment
2. The discovery has had a lasting impact on the cancer field with a high direct impact of saving people’s lives.

The annual prize, named in honor of Albert Szent-Györgyi, Nobel Laureate and co-founder of NFCR, is awarded to an outstanding researcher whose scientific achievements have expanded our understanding of cancer and whose discoveries have made possible new approaches to preventing, diagnosing, and/or treating cancer.

9. Pioneer Valley Life Sciences Institute (PVLSI)
Breast Cancer Research
Deadline: August 4, 2017
Amount: Up to $25,000 for 1-2 years
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Faculty at Baystate Medical Center, UMass Amherst and UMass Medical School are eligible to apply.

Submissions addressing two broad categories of research are encouraged. Mechanistic studies are needed to identify how to intervene to prevent and treat breast cancer more effectively. Behavioral studies are equally important as they have the potential to improve the lives of breast cancer survivors as well as identify links to mechanisms driving susceptibility and carcinogenesis. Studies examining how environmental/lifestyle exposures alter cellular metabolism, inflammation, epigenetic changes that promote malignancy are of keen interest as the results can guide lifestyle choices and clinical decisions. Studies that utilize the patient-derived cells and tissues curated by the Biospecimen Resources and Molecular Analysis Core at the PVLSI are a priority as these may more accurately reflect the diversity of the disease in women.
More fundamental studies will also be considered where they fill a gap in knowledge or address technical advances that presently limit research. Projects designed to improve care and outcomes for breast cancer patients may include modifications of diets or exercise to speed recovery for after treatment. Collaborative studies among investigators using a common set of resources (patients or tissues) to examine multiple endpoints would be an especially productive use of the grant funds that are available. Therefore, investigators with complementary interests are especially encouraged to submit shared projects or note the overlap among independent submissions.

II. Nursing & Public Health

10. Genentech
Healthcare Related Charitable Support Grants
Deadline: Rolling (application must be submitted 60 days prior to start of project)
Amount: Up to $500,000
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Applicant’s organization must be recognized by the IRS as a tax exempt, public charity under sections 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code and be located in the United States (or have W8-BEN status if not located in the United States); or be a US governmental organization (such as public schools, public colleges and universities, public hospitals and federally recognized Indian tribal governments).

Funding Priorities:
- Patient Services
- Patient Outreach
- Patient Education
- Disease Education
- Fundraisers
- Health screenings
- Scientific/Medical Meetings, Conferences, Seminars and Symposia

The Healthcare Related Charitable Support Grants are given to support programs that are open to a broad audience, and that benefit patients, the scientific or medical community, and/or public health. These support requests must be healthcare-related and consistent with a therapeutic or technological area in which Genentech or Roche is active.

11. The Kresge Foundation
Health Grants
Deadline: Rolling
Amount: $100,000 over 1-3 years
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: U.S. 501(c)(3) organizations with audited financial statements that are not classified as private foundations. Audits must be independently prepared following Generally Accepted Accounting Principles or Government Auditing Standards. Financial statements prepared on a cash, modified cash, compilation or review basis do not qualify.

- Government entities in the United States.

Innovative Population Health Programs and Policies
Proposals are welcome from organizations that:
- Take advantage of the opportunities within health reform to employ new models of shared resources and accountability for improving population health.
- Systematically incentivize and reward primary prevention - for example, by reinvesting downstream health care savings in effective community prevention.
- Share and use data from multiple sectors to inform strategies, measure progress and refine interventions.
- Have the potential to inform practice and policy more broadly.
- Demonstrate community engagement and health equity.
Healthy Housing and Neighborhoods Initiative
This is an open grant opportunity for organizations working to address:

- Policies, systems change and communication to connect health and housing.
- Policies that promote healthy housing and mitigate the impacts of substandard housing.
- Innovative investments that connect community development, health and housing.

### III. Education, Humanities, and Social & Behavioral Sciences

#### 12. American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP)
**Focus Grant: Reaching 20% by 2025**
**Deadline (LOI):** August 1, 2017  
**Amount:** Up to $1,500,000 over 3 years  
**Number of Grants/Year:** N/A

**Eligibility:** Investigators from all academic disciplines are eligible to apply, and both basic science and applied research projects will be considered, provided that the proposed study has an essential focus on suicide or suicide prevention.

This Focus Grant RFA seeks applications that address potential biological, psychological, social and/or environmental pathways and interventions that can significantly reduce the national suicide rate if ultimately implemented on a large scale.

Requirements are as follows:

- The study rationale must address feasibility to measurably reduce U.S. suicide rates with widespread implementation.
- Consistent with AFSP grant policies, the study must include measurement of suicide or nonlethal suicide attempts at baseline and follow-up assessments. However, in a study of this size, a change in suicidal behavior may not be robust enough to detect. In addition, therefore, investigators may use a conceptual logic model linking a measurable proxy behavior (such as adherence to the intervention) to suicide in order to demonstrate that the intervention could have an effect on suicide if widely disseminated.
- A conceptual model and quantitative analysis demonstrating the potential impact on U.S. suicide rates if the study were implemented broadly are requested. Important considerations include population based attributable risk, acceptability, feasibility, and ease of dissemination.
- The study must be based in the U.S.
- Evidence of feasibility to conduct the study must be provided.

**Focus Grant: Short-term Risk for Suicide**
**Deadline (LOI):** August 1, 2017  
**Amount:** Up to $1,500,000 over 3 years  
**Number of Grants/Year:** N/A

**Eligibility:** Investigators from all academic disciplines are eligible to apply, and both basic science and applied research projects will be considered, provided that the proposed study has an essential focus on suicide or suicide prevention.

The Focus Grant for Short-Term Risk is open to innovative, potentially high-yield proposals that focus on short-term risk for suicide. The goal is to develop identification and/or intervention strategies for short-term suicide risk that can be implemented in clinical settings. Requirements are as follows:

- The outcome measures for baseline and follow-up must include suicidal behavior.
- The assessments should include multi-modal, clinically relevant measures.
- The study must be based in the U.S.
- Evidence for the feasibility of data collection must be provided.
13. College Art Association (CAA)
Millard Meiss Publication Fund
Deadline: September 15, 2017
Amount: None
Number of Grants/Year: 14
Eligibility: Books eligible for a Meiss grant must currently be under contract with a publisher and be on a subject in the arts or art history. Awards are open to publishers of all nations. Commercial, university, and museum presses are all eligible. Applicant authors and presses must be institutional CAA members. University presses can be eligible under the CAA membership of the university. Self-published manuscripts are not eligible for this grant. While all periods and all areas of art history and visual studies may be considered, eligibility does not embrace excavation or other technical reports, articles, previously published works (including collections of previously published essays), or congress proceedings. Within a calendar year, a press may submit the same manuscript for a Meiss Grant and a Wyeth Grant, but a book that wins one CAA publishing grant is ineligible to receive another CAA-administered grant and will be removed from consideration for the other grant. A project that has been rejected for a grant may not be resubmitted to the same grant, except in a rare case where substantial revision has been made to the material, and the publisher has so noted in the application. At its discretion, the jury may decline to review the resubmitted application. Publishers are encouraged to submit no more than two or three books for consideration in any one grant period, except in extraordinary circumstances.

Twice a year, CAA awards grants through the Millard Meiss Publication Fund to support book-length scholarly manuscripts in the history of art, visual studies, and related subjects that have been accepted by a publisher on their merits, but cannot be published in the most desirable form without a subsidy. Thanks to the generous bequest of the late Prof. Millard Meiss, CAA began awarding these publishing grants in 1975.

14. College Art Association (CAA)
Terra Foundation for American Art International Publication Grant
Deadline (LOI): September 15, 2017
Amount: Up to $15,000
Number of Grants/Year: 5-10
Eligibility: Eligibility is limited to book-length scholarly manuscripts in the history of American art, visual studies, and related subjects that are under contract with a nonprofit or commercial publisher. Self-published manuscripts are not eligible for this grant. Applications must be submitted by the publisher for the US and non-US book grants; publishers and authors/translator can apply for the translation grant. Exhibition and collection catalogues, books on architecture (including urban design and landscape design), popular film or mainstream cinema, and catalogues raisonné are not eligible for an award. Scholarly books in print or digital formats from commercial and nonprofit presses are eligible for an award. Publishers are encouraged to submit no more than two books for consideration in any one grant period. Applications that propose enhancing the visual component of the study through the inclusion of color plates or an expanded component of black-and-white illustrations will be eligible for grants, as would exceptional design requirements (maps, line drawings, charts, and tables).

Grants support book-length scholarly manuscripts in the history of American art, visual studies, and related subjects that are under contract with a publisher. For this grant program, "American art" is defined as art (circa 1500-1980) of what is now the geographic United States. Awards are made in three categories:

- Grants to US publishers for manuscripts considering American art in an international context
- Grants to non-US publishers for manuscripts on topics in American art
- Grants for the translation of books on topics in American art to or from English.

15. GRAMMY Museum
Scientific Research Projects
Deadline (LOI): October 1, 2017
This initiative falls under RSF’s Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration Program and...

The GRAMMY Museum Grant Program awards grants to organizations and individuals to support research on the impact of music on the human condition. Examples might include the study of the effects of music on mood, cognition and healing, as well as the medical and occupational well-being of music professionals and the creative process underlying music. Priority is given to projects with strong methodological design as well those addressing an important research question.

Archiving and Preservation Projects
Deadline (LOI): October 1, 2017
Amount: Up to $20,000 for up to 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: 10-20
Eligibility: The GRAMMY Museum Grant Program awards grants to organizations and individuals in North America to support efforts in research that study the links between music and early childhood education, treatments for illnesses and injuries common to musicians, and the impact of music therapy on populations from infants to the elderly.

The GRAMMY Museum Grant Program awards grants to organizations and individuals to support efforts that advance the archiving and preservation of the music and recorded sound heritage of the Americas.

16. National Center for Responsible Gaming (NCRG)
Seed Grant for Research on Gambling Disorders
Deadline: August 1, 2017
Amount: $30,000 over 1 year
Number of Grants/Year: Up to 10
Eligibility: Domestic or international public or private, non-profit or for-profit organizations are eligible to apply for NCRG funding. The Principal Investigator must have a PhD, MD or other terminal degree.

Seed Grants support a variety of research activities, exploring the etiology, prevention, and treatment of gambling disorder, such as:

- Pilot and feasibility studies
- Secondary analysis of existing data
- Small, self-contained research projects
- Development of research methodology
- Development of new research technology

17. Russell Sage Foundation
Immigration and Immigrant Integration
Deadline (LOI): August 21, 2017
Amount: Up to $150,000 over up to 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: All applicants (both PIs and Co-PIs) must have a Ph.D. or comparable terminal degree, or a strong career background that establishes their ability to conduct high-level, peer-reviewed scholarly research. RSF particularly encourages early career scholars to apply for Presidential awards. All nationalities are eligible to apply and applicants do not have to reside in the U.S. RSF does not accept applications for Project and Presidential Awards from doctoral or other graduate students, unless specified in a special RFP.

The Russell Sage Foundation/Carnegie Corporation Initiative on Immigration and Immigrant Integration seeks to support innovative research on the effects of race, citizenship, legal status and politics, political culture and public policy on outcomes for immigrants and for the native-born of different racial and ethnic groups and generations. This initiative falls under RSF’s Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration Program and
represents a special area of interest within the core program, which continues to encourage proposals on a broader set of issues.

The Foundation is especially interested in novel uses of under-utilized data and the development of new methods for analyzing these data. Proposals to conduct laboratory or field experiments, in-depth qualitative interviews, and ethnographies are also encouraged. Smaller projects might include exploratory fieldwork, a pilot study, or the analysis of existing data. RSF encourages methodological variety and inter-disciplinary collaboration. Proposals for comparative, cross-national work will be considered only if they have strong implications for U.S.-centered issues.

**18. Spencer Foundation**

**Small Research Grants**

**Deadline:** August 1, 2017  
**Amount:** Up to $50,000  
**Number of Grants/Year:** Up to 100 (Avg. 70)

**Eligibility:**

- Principal Investigators (PIs) and Co-PIs applying for a research grant must have an earned doctorate in an academic discipline or professional field, or appropriate experience in an education research-related profession.  
- The PI must be affiliated with a college, university, school district, non-profit research facility, or non-profit cultural institution that is willing to serve as the fiscal agent if the grant is awarded. The Spencer Foundation does not award grants directly to individuals.  
- Proposals are accepted from the U.S. and internationally, however all proposals must be submitted in English and budgets must be proposed in U.S. Dollars.

The program aims to fund academic work that will contribute to the improvement of education, broadly conceived. Examples of historically funded topics and disciplines include:

- **Field-Initiated:** Proposals in this area are those that fall under the Spencer Foundation's general mission of funding research on education, but don't appear to fit in one of the areas mentioned below. Although the areas below are broad, there are many projects that don't have a strong focus in any of them; those should be tagged with Field-Initiated as the research area in the online application.  
- **The Relation between Education and Social Opportunity:** This area would include projects that seek to shed light on the role education can play in reducing economic and social inequalities -- as well as, sometimes, reinforcing them -- and to find ways to more fully realize education's potential to promote more equal opportunity. Proposals where the primary aim is to examine the ways in which differences in social and educational experiences (such as quality and character of schooling or the number of years in school) translate into differences including employment, earnings, and civic and academic outcomes would be included in this area.  
- **Teaching, Learning, and Instructional Resources:** Studies in this area would be those that will lead to better understanding and improvements in the intellectual, material, and organizational resources that contribute to successful teaching and learning. They may investigate questions that are grounded directly in teaching practice, as well as research about important aspects of child and adult learning processes and contexts that hold promise for guiding informed policymaking.  
- **The New Civics:** 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 our 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.  
- **Organizational Learning in Schools, School Systems, and Higher Education Systems:** Research in this area would contribute to strengthening the capacity of schools and education systems to operate as learning organizations. Because the capacity and motivation for organizational learning depend as well on the larger institutional structures within which schools and systems operate,
research on, among other things, the roles of school boards, governments and unions; the role of markets and competition in the funding of schools; and the perceptions, concerns, and opportunities for voice among parents and the broader public would fall under this area.

- Purposes and Values of Education: Proposals in this area would be interested in advancing analytical, historical, and empirical work that probes effectively and creatively into deeply challenging and permanently important issues which can contribute toward social decision-making that moves education along constructive paths.

19. Sociological Initiatives Foundation (SIF)

Project Grants

**Deadline:** August 15, 2017

**Amount:** $10,000-$20,000 over up to 2 years

**Number of Grants/Year:** 5-10

**Eligibility:**

- Preference is given to providing support in areas that tend to be under-funded and for projects of a size where a Sociological Initiatives Foundation grant can make a difference.
- For nonprofits, grants are restricted to organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code and classified as "not a private foundation" under section 509(a).
- The Sociological Initiatives Foundation does not make grants directly to individuals for any purposes.
- SIF also welcomes applications from academic institutions and other qualified organizations wishing to sponsor research projects by individual scholars or practitioners.
- No awards are made for dissertation research, honoraria or political purposes.
- The Foundation does not provide operating support or capital grants.
- Grant sizes normally range from $10,000 to $20,000.
- The geographic focus is limited to the United States and its territories.

The Foundation specifically supports research that focuses on impacting:

- Social policy
- Educational policies and practices
- Linguistic issues (e.g. literacy, language loss and maintenance, language policy, language and national security, bilingualism, language and gender, language law, language disabilities, language and health, language and education, different language cultures)
- Community capacity and the organization of previously unorganized groups

The Foundation supports projects that address institutional rather than individual or behavioral change. It seeks to fund research and initiatives that provide insight into sociological and linguistic issues that can be useful to specific groups and or communities.

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**IV. Fellowships**

Please note: CFR cannot assist with fellowships that are not funneled through OGCA.

20. Notre Dame Institute for Advanced Study (NDIAS)

**Residential Fellowships**

**Deadline:** October 16, 2017

**Amount:** Up to $60,000 over 1 year

**Number of Grants/Year:** 5-15

**Eligibility:** The Institute welcomes applications from faculty, scholars, public intellectuals, fellows from other institutes, and professional researchers in all disciplines, including the arts, engineering, the humanities, law, and the formal, natural, and social sciences with projects that are creative, innovative, or align with the intellectual orientation of the Notre Dame Institute for Advanced Study. The Institute
also welcomes those who are beginning their careers with promise and have appropriate projects. Scholars from other institutions, researchers at national laboratories, fellows from other institutes, as well as faculty from Notre Dame are invited to apply. Applicants who are members of traditionally under-represented groups are encouraged to apply. There are no citizenship requirements for fellowships; non-U.S. nationals are welcome to apply.

The Institute seeks applicants with:

- Excellent records of scholarly, artistic, or research accomplishment in their field(s);
- Projects that touch on normative, integrative, or ultimate questions, especially as they engage the Catholic intellectual tradition;
- Projects characterized by clarity of thought, coherence, and impact;
- The ability to interact with other fellows and to engage in collegial discussions of research presentations; and
- A willingness to contribute to a cooperative community of scholars.

The NDIAS is dedicated to fostering and supporting integrative scholarship addressing ultimate questions at the intersection of the arts, engineering, the humanities, law, and the formal, natural, and social sciences, especially those that transcend disciplinary boundaries. The NDIAS encourages scholars to include questions of values in their analyses, to integrate diverse disciplines, and to ask how their findings advance civilization. The Institute offers its fellows the opportunity to engage not only in analysis but also in evaluating what should be done, to analyze the world in substantive and collaborative ways, and to think through the implications of present behavior for the future of the world.

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The [CFR Support Request Form](#) is organized to reflect the order and type of information that most foundations look for in their grant applications. It can help you better frame your ideas and create a more consistent structure for your letter of intent (LOI) or funding request. Follow the link and get started today!

**Tips for Grant Writing!**

Please read "[100 Words That Kill Your Proposal](#)" by Bob Lohfeld. This article will help you avoid some of the most common mistakes that weaken a proposal.

Look at "[Why Academics Have a Hard Time Writing Good Grant Proposals](#)" to better understand the contrast between traditional academic writing and grant proposals.

Also check out "[How to Fail at Grant Writing](#)", an article in The Chronicle of Higher Education, written by UMass faculty successful at obtaining grants.

For more help, and a step-by-step walk through, read Texas Instruments' "[Successful Grant Writing Strategies](#)."

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