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Personnel Vacancy Notice - As of July 1, 2007, no new personnel may be hired without first submitting a Personnel Vacancy Notice and a copy of the PVN along with the Personnel Action Form and other required forms for a new hire. Additional Information is available from our office and from the Research Foundation's Client Services Department at 212-417-8640.

Fringe Benefit Rate Increases – The fringe benefit rate will increase on **January 1**, 2008 to 36.5%.

Indirect Cost Rate Change for 2007
Effective July 1, 2007, the indirect cost rate is 55%.

The Office of Research Compliance - Barbara Lermant and the Office of Research Compliance has moved to Delaney Hall, Room 305. You can still reach the office by calling extension 7-5415.

IACUC Deadlines

January 22, 2008
February 19, 2008
April 1, 2008
April 29, 2008

IRB Deadlines

January 16, 2008
February 13, 2008
March 5, 2008
April 16, 2008
May 14, 2008

Community of Science – Not just for scientists, the Research Foundation has purchased a license for the searchable grants database, Community of Science (COS), for each CUNY campus. Through COS, CUNY researchers including faculty who specialize in the humanities and social sciences, now have an additional resource for locating and applying for funding opportunities from numerous public and private sponsoring agencies and organizations. Resources include: COS Funding Opportunities which provides online access to more than 24,000 currently available funding opportunities offered by 11,000 public and private sponsors on a global basis; COS Funding Alerts that deliver targeted information from COS Funding Opportunities to individual researchers whose profiles are

maintained in the COS database; and COS Funding Opportunities Administrator's Workbench which provides specified Member administrators with access to institution-specific reports, information, and features about the Member's usage of COS Funding Opportunities. Faculty are encouraged to visit COS and take advantage of this service.

To Set up a Profile:

1. Go to <http://www.cos.com/rfcuny.shtml>
2. Click on "New User?"
3. Complete pertinent information in blank fields.
4. Click "Create my account."
5. Click "Create my Profile."

You are now in the COS Workbench.

To Set up Searches:

1. Click on "Add a Search."
2. Create your search in the Funding Opportunities main search screen and click "Do the Search."
3. If you are satisfied with your search results click "Save Search" at the top of the screen.
4. Choose a name for your search and specify if you would like to receive an e-mail about this saved search.
5. Click "save this search."

Grants.gov - Grants.gov is a portal through which nearly all federal grant proposals must be submitted. For example, all investigator-initiated grant proposals to NIH must be submitted electronically through Grants.gov. NSF is starting to require that more grants be submitted through Grants.gov or will give the investigator an option. The Dept of Energy requires submission through grants.gov as well.

Two facts everyone should know by now about Grants.gov is that the deadline day is the wrong day to submit and you do NOT need to register for a DUNS number or in CCR in order to submit your proposal. Queens College is a registered institution and the office of ORSP will submit your proposal on your behalf.

Another thing that might be helpful to know about Grants.gov, is that in addition to being the primary vehicle for submitting grant applications; it is also the central repository for grant announcements. Faculty can sign up to receive funding notices via email at http://www07.grants.gov/applicants/email_subscription.jsp

Recent External Awards ✦ September - November 2007

DEPARTMENT	PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR	AGENCY	TITLE	AMOUNT
ASIAN AMERICAN CENTER	Khandelwal, Madhulika	CITY COUNCIL	Asian American Center Programs	10,000
ASIAN AMERICAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE	Cherukupalli, Nehru	FORD FOUNDATION	The Friday Evening Lecture/Sunset Cinema Series	20,000
BIOLOGY	Boissinot, Stephane	NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION	URM: Mentoring Urban Undergraduate Students in an Integrated Ecological Research Experience	252,185
BIOLOGY	Melendez, Alicia	NIH/RUTGERS UNIVERSITY	Genetic Bases of Sarcopenia and Muscle Healthspan in C.elegans	136,603
CHEMISTRY	Strekas, Thomas	NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION	The Queens Borough Bridge	47,355
CTR BYZANTINE STUDIES	Ioannides, Christos	CITY COUNCIL	Center for Byzantine and Greek Studies	25,000
CTR FOR JEWISH STUDIES	Helmreich, William	CITY COUNCIL	Center for Jewish Studies Program	5,000
ELEMENTARY ED	Bisland, Beverly	NEW YORK CITY DEPT. OF EDUCATION	Learning History Together	141,110
GODWIN TERNBACH MUSEUM	Winter, Amy	LOWER HUDSON CONFERENCE	Conservation of La Joye du Theatre and Recreation Champetre	7,500
GODWIN TERNBACH MUSEUM		N.Y.C. DEPT. CULTURAL AFFAIRS	Cuban Exhibition, African Exhibition and Crossing the Boulevard	12,500
KUPFERBERG CENTER	Charlop, Vivian	KUPFERBERG FOUNDATION	Kupferberg Center Performances	50,000
KUPFERBERG CENTER		MAX & SELMA KUPFERBERG FAMILY FOUNDATION	Kupferberg Center Performances	30,000
KUPFERBERG CENTER		MILTON & SALLY AVERY ARTS FOUNDATION	Revelations	3,000
KUPFERBERG CENTER		N.Y.C. DEPT. CULTURAL AFFAIRS	Arts Education Programming/2007-2008 Season	51,280
LOUIS ARMSTRONG HOUSE & ARCHIVES	Cogswell, Michael	LOUIS ARMSTRONG EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION	Louis Armstrong Bradley Collection	80,000
LOUIS ARMSTRONG HOUSE & ARCHIVES		N.Y.C. DEPT. CULTURAL AFFAIRS	Louis Armstrong House and Archives	52,000
PHYSICS	Lisyansky, Alexander	WYLE LABORATORIES	One-dimensional Resonant Photonic Crystals for Optoelectronic Applications	16,000
PSYCHOLOGY	Brumberg, Joshua	NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH	Barrels XX	10,000
PSYCHOLOGY		NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH	Corticothalamic Neurons in Sensorimotor Cortex	165,200
PSYCHOLOGY	Halperin, Jeffrey	NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH	ADHD: Neural Correlates of Adult Outcomes	21,507

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PSYCHOLOGY	Halperin, Jeffrey	NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH	Predictors of ADHD in Preschool Children	372,189
SEES	Ludman, Allan	CITY COUNCIL	GLOBE: New York Metro Teacher Training Program	25,000
SEES		CON EDISON	2007 Globe New York Metro Support	50,000
SEES	Pekar, Stephen	NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION	Using New Tools to Explore Undiscovered Country: Understanding the Tectonic and Stratigraphic History of Offshore New Harbor, Ross Sea, Antarctica	256,958
SEES		NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION	Developing a High Resolution Lithofacies and Sequence Stratigraphic Framework for the Middle Miocene in South McMurdo Sound	74,040

**National Endowment for the Humanities and Institute of Museum and Library Services
Advancing Knowledge – The IMLS/NEH Digital Partnership**

Deadline: March 18, 2008

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and the National Endowment for Humanities (NEH) invite proposals for innovative, collaborative humanities projects using the latest digital technologies for the benefit of the American public, humanities scholarship, and the nation's cultural institutions. These grants require substantive collaborations among libraries, museums, archives, universities, and other cultural organizations. Grants support projects that explore new ways to share, examine, and interpret humanities collections in a digital environment; that develop new uses and audiences for existing digital resources; or that result in extensible and transferable methodologies or tools.

Eligible projects might:

- ✦ advance the role of cultural repositories in online teaching, learning, and research for public audiences, teachers, students, and scholars;
- ✦ develop collaborative approaches involving the scholarly community and cultural repositories for the creation, preservation, use, and presentation of reusable digital collections and products;
- ✦ use innovative approaches in digital technology to provide new perspectives on humanities resources or offer new interpretive contexts for scholars, students, and public audiences; or
- ✦ examine and coordinate community-based approaches and standards for making resources available online and allowing them to be widely shared.

Successful applicants will be required to create a "lessons learned" white paper, which will be posted on the NEH or IMLS Web sites. This white paper should document the project and present lessons learned in a candid manner so that others can benefit from the project.

Awards normally are for two years and typically range from \$50,000 to a maximum of \$350,000. Successful applicants will be awarded a grant in outright funds, federal matching funds, or a combination of the two, depending on the applicant's preference and the availability of NEH and IMLS funds.

If you have questions about the program, contact:

Division of Preservation and Access; Room 411; National Endowment for the Humanities
1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW; Washington, D.C. 20506
202-606-8570; preservation@neh.gov

National Science Foundation/National Institutes of Health

Computational Neuroscience

Receipt Deadline: February 26th, 2008

Agencies invite proposals that support initiative interdisciplinary research that takes advantage of complementary collaborative expertise to make significant advances in the understanding of the nervous system function, mechanisms underlying nervous system disorders, and computational strategies used by the nervous system.

Two classes of proposals will be considered in response to this solicitation:

- **Research Proposals** describing new collaborative research projects, and
- **Data Sharing Proposals** to enable sharing of data and other resources

This program emphasizes innovative research approaches, encouraging the application and development of state-of-the-art computational tools by theoreticians, computational scientists, mathematicians, and statisticians to tackle dynamic and complex neuroscience problems. The following list of examples illustrates some areas of research that are appropriate under this solicitation:

- Develop explanatory, predictive and informative models and simulations of normal and abnormal functions of the nervous system and related disorders.
- Develop and improve mathematical, statistical and other quantitative analyses of research related to molecular, cellular systems, behavioral and/or cognitive neuroscience.
- Develop theoretical and computational approaches to delineate and understand the functions of neural circuits.
- Develop theoretical and computational approaches that relate nervous system processes to learning algorithms, probabilistic representations, estimation, prediction and inference.
- Develop and improve algorithms for designing experiments and analyzing data related to structural and functional brain mapping technologies, and normal biological rhythms and time courses of pathophysiological processes.
- Develop multiscale models that span across time, space or state-space to understand the predict processes and behavior in neuroscience.
- Develop novel theoretical and computational methods that can have realizable clinical applications in neuroscience.

Assurance of Innovative Collaborative Research Effort Across Scientific Disciplines

The driving principle behind this program solicitation is the recognition that projects crossing traditional academic disciplinary boundaries often bring about increased productivity and creativity when collaborative efforts include participation by scientists and engineers bringing their experience and training from widely varying backgrounds. Such interdisciplinary collaborations are a requirement for this program and must be demonstrated in the proposal; for example, by naming a co-principal investigator with academic credentials and appointment in an area different from that of the principal investigator, or by other means. A typical research collaboration might include a computer scientist and a neurobiologist. Proposals should describe interdisciplinary work to be done. Another emphasis of this program is to encourage the development and utilization of novel and innovative computational approaches.

Funding: 5 million a year for 10 to 15 awards of \$100,000 to \$250,000 a year for three to five years.

Questions regarding this program should be made to:

- Kenneth Whang, CRCND Program Coordinator –NSF: Program Director, Division of Information & Intelligent Systems, NSF, 1125 S, telephone: (703) 292-5149, email: kwhang@nsf.gov.

W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research

The Upjohn Institute invites submission of proposals to conduct policy-relevant research on employment issues under their 2008 Grant Program. They expect to fund research on a variety of issues related to employment policy and economic development. The Institute awards both Research Grants and Mini-Grants. For Research Grants, the maximum funding amount is \$75,000. For Mini-Grants, the maximum funding is \$5,000.

The Institute will consider all employment-related topics. Successful grants in the past have included the following:

- An integrated compilation by an author of a series of published articles on a research area that extends previous findings,
- A thorough analysis of an employment-related policy---historical development, research or evaluation evidence on efficacy and equity, suggested policy improvements or alternatives.
- Use of a new, innovative source of data to analyze an important issue on either the demand or supply side of the labor market.

The following suggest topics that would be of interest; however, applicants should feel free to pursue any topic that fits the general area.

- Social Insurance
- Employment Relationships
- Low Wages and Public Policy
- Workforce and Economic Development Programs

The purpose of the Mini-Grant Program, which is reserved for untenured junior faculty within six years of earning their PhD degree, is to provide flexibility to meet special funding needs that, without support, would prevent researchers from pursuing the project.

Submission Deadlines and Notification Dates:

February 1, 2008	Deadline for 3-page summary applications
February 29, 2008	Research Grant Finalists invited to prepare full 15-page Proposals
April 11, 2008	Full proposals due and Mini-Grant proposals due
May 9, 2008	Announcement of awards

For further information, along with lists of recent grantees and FAQ's, Go to their website <http://www.upjohninstitute.org>

Upcoming Deadlines

For a list of grant deadlines please check out *The Grant Advisor* link from the Office of Research and Sponsored Program's website at <http://qcpages.qc.cuny.edu/ORSP/> or go directly to <http://www.grantadvisor.com/tgaplus/> To use this link, you must be connected to the campus server. If you would like to access *The Grant Advisor* from home, please e-mail Regina.Caulfield@qc.cuny.edu. Faculty may also receive the *Grants Bulletin* as an attachment via e-mail.

