The Office of Sponsored Programs & Research Development is pleased to provide the information below regarding federal funding opportunities available. Funding Announcements 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 UNK.

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Sigma Xi
Grants-in-Aid of Research
https://www.sigmaxi.org/programs/grants-in-aid
Application Deadline: 10/01/2016. Grants of up to $5,000 will be awarded to graduate and undergraduate students for travel expenses or the purchase of non-standard laboratory equipment necessary to complete a specific research project.

Agriculture and Rural Development

NIH
Dual Purpose with Dual Benefit: Research in Biomedicine and Agriculture Using Agriculturally Important Domestic Animal Species (R01)
The purpose of this announcement is to invite the submission of grant applications that utilize agriculturally important domestic animal species to improve human health through the advancement of basic and translational research deemed highly relevant to both agricultural and biomedical research.

Application dates vary. See solicitation for details.
USDA
AFRI - Agriculture and Natural Resources Science for Climate Variability and Change Challenge Area
http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=285990
This AFRI Challenge Area focuses on the priority to mitigate and adapt to climate variability and change. It supports activities that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, increase carbon sequestration in agricultural and forest production systems, and prepare the nation's agriculture and forests to adapt to variable climates. The long-term outcome for this program is to reduce the use of energy, nitrogen fertilizer, and water by ten percent and increase carbon sequestration by 15 percent through resilient agriculture and forest production systems.

Application dates vary. See solicitation for details.

Arts and Humanities

American Council of Learned Societies
The Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation New Professorships in Buddhist Studies
http://www.acls.org/programs/buddhist-studies/#np
Application Deadline: 01/11/2017. These grants are awarded to institutions of higher education to support new teaching positions in Buddhist studies.

National Archives and Records Administration
Access to Historical Records: Major Initiatives
This program supports projects that will significantly improve public discovery and use of all types of major historical records collections. Projects may: (1) digitize historical records collections, or related collections, held by a single institution and make them freely available online, (2) provide access to born-digital records, (3) create new freely-available virtual collections drawn from historical records held by multiple institutions, or (4) create new tools and methods for users to access records.

Preliminary proposals are due by January 19, 2017.

NEA
Research: Art Works
http://arts.gov/grants-organizations/research-art-works
NEA’s Office of Research and Analysis will make awards to support research that investigates the value and/or impact of the arts, either as individual components within the U.S. arts ecology or as they interact with each other and/or with other domains of American life.

Applications require two subsequent submissions to Grants.gov and then to NEA, and the deadline for the first submission - the Grants.gov submission - is October 11, 2016.

Engineering and Technology

Department of Energy
Chain Reaction Innovations Program
https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=cd208b6471a9eeec6de6a079c66fb46d4&tab=core&_cview=0
Application Deadline: 08/12/2016. Chain Reaction Innovations is an energy materials and manufacturing innovation program that serves as a platform for supporting and mentoring entrepreneurial researchers whose early stage innovations are too challenging or technically uncertain to pursue in a venture capital-financed startup. The program embeds innovators within a National Laboratory technology ecosystem for up to two
years, working with innovators as they advance their early stage scientific discoveries to opportunities with commercial potential within a discrete time period.

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**NSF**


This Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) invites applications for supplemental funding requests to support collaborations in graphene and 2D layered materials and devices between the U.S. and international research communities.

Deadlines vary. See the DCL for details.

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**Fellowships, Awards, and Internships**

**American Council of Learned Societies**

ACLS Collaborative Research Fellowships

http://www.acls.org/programs/collaborative/

Application Deadline: 09/28/2016. The aim of this fellowship program is to offer small teams of two or more scholars the opportunity to collaborate intensively on a single, substantive project in the humanities and related social sciences. The fellowship supports projects that produce a tangible research product, such as a joint print or web publication.

**American Council of Learned Societies**

ACLS Fellowship Program

http://www.acls.org/programs/acls/

Application Deadline: 09/28/2016. The ACLS Fellowship program invites research applications in all disciplines of the humanities and related social sciences. The ultimate goal of the project should be a major piece of scholarly work. Fellowships are offered to scholars at the assistant, associate, and full professor level. In addition to these general humanities and social sciences projects, special opportunities are offered to applicants:

- pursuing research and writing on the societies and cultures of Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Latin America and the Caribbean, Eastern Europe, and the former Soviet Union or
- proposing projects that will take advantage of the New York Public Library's Stephen A. Schwarzman Building.

**American Council of Learned Societies**

Frederick Burkhardt Residential Fellowships for Recently Tenured Scholars

http://www.acls.org/programs/burkhardt/

Application Deadline: 09/28/2016. These residential fellowships support long-term, unusually ambitious projects in the humanities and related social sciences. The ultimate goal of the project should be a major piece of scholarly work by the applicant. Fellows will participate in an academic year (nine months) of residence at one of the 13 participating research centers.

**American Council of Learned Societies**

The Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Program in Buddhist Studies

http://www.acls.org/programs/buddhist-studies/

Application Deadline: 11/15/2016. This program offers a set of fellowship and grant competitions that will expand the understanding and interpretation of Buddhist thought in scholarship and society, strengthen
international networks of Buddhist studies, and increase the visibility of innovative currents in those studies. Opportunities are offered to scholars at various stages of their careers.

**Burroughs Wellcome Fund**
Career Awards at the Scientific Interface
[http://www.bwfund.org/grant-programs/interfaces-science/career-awards-scientific-interface](http://www.bwfund.org/grant-programs/interfaces-science/career-awards-scientific-interface)
Application Deadline: 01/09/2017. Career Awards at the Scientific Interface provide $500,000 over five years to bridge advanced postdoctoral training and the first three years of faculty service.

Pre-proposals are due by September 6, 2016.

**DOD**
Epilepsy Research Program: Idea Development Award
Application Deadline: 11/09/2016. This program solicits research to understand the magnitude and underlying mechanisms of post-traumatic epilepsy, especially in Service members, Veterans, and the civilian community. Two levels of funding are offered to support: (1) investigator-initiated research that may be high-risk and/or high-gain or (2) advanced studies that may be multidisciplinary in nature and/or have multiple collaborators.

Pre-applications are due by August 17, 2016.

**DOD**
Parkinson's Research Program: Impact Award
Application Deadline: 11/30/2016. This award encourages applications that support the full spectrum of research projects or ideas related to Parkinson's disease issues which have the potential to make a major impact in preventing or halting the progression of Parkinson's disease or enhancing the well-being of individuals experiencing the impact of the disease.

Pre-applications are due by September 7, 2016.

**DOD**
Peer Reviewed Alzheimer's Research Program: Convergence Science Research Award
Application Deadline: 11/09/2016. This program supports efforts to generate research resources, tools, or novel research efforts for researchers and/or practitioners in health sciences related to the Peer Reviewed Alzheimer's Research Program's mission.

Pre-applications are due by August 17, 2016.

**DOD**
Peer Reviewed Alzheimer's Research Program: Quality of Life Research Award
Application Deadline: 11/09/2016. The intent of this award is to support basic, epidemiological, or quality-of-life research to alleviate or characterize the common symptoms of traumatic brain injury, Alzheimer's disease (AD), and AD-related dementias.

Pre-applications are due by August 17, 2016.

**National Academy of Education and the Spencer Foundation**
Postdoctoral Fellowship Program
[http://www.naeducation.org/NAED_080201.htm](http://www.naeducation.org/NAED_080201.htm)
Application Deadline: 11/03/2016. This non-residential postdoctoral fellowship funds proposals that make
significant scholarly contributions to the field of education. The program also develops the careers of its recipients through professional development activities involving National Academy of Education members.

**National Gallery of Art**  
Senior Fellowship Program  
[http://www.nga.gov/content/ngaweb/research/casva/fellowships/senior-fellowships.html](http://www.nga.gov/content/ngaweb/research/casva/fellowships/senior-fellowships.html)  
Application Deadline: 10/15/2016. Senior Fellowships are for full-time research, and scholars are expected to reside in Washington and participate in the activities of the Center for Advanced Study in the Visual Arts throughout the fellowship period. Fellowships are intended to support research in areas such as: the history, theory, and criticism of the visual arts of any geographical area and of any period; European art before the early 19th century; modern and contemporary art; artifacts; or analysis and criticism of form.

**National Gallery of Art**  
Visiting Senior Fellowship Program  
[http://www.nga.gov/content/ngaweb/research/casva/fellowships/visiting-senior-fellowships.html](http://www.nga.gov/content/ngaweb/research/casva/fellowships/visiting-senior-fellowships.html)  
Visiting Senior Fellowships are for full-time research for periods of up to two months, and scholars are expected to reside in Washington and participate in the activities of the Center for Advanced Study in the Visual Arts. The fellowships support: (1) research in the history, theory, and criticism of the visual arts of any geographical area and of any period or (2) work that examines artifacts or has implications for the analysis and criticism of visual form.

The next two deadlines are **September 21, 2016**, and **March 21, 2017**.

**Winterthur**  
Winterthur Research Fellowship Program  
Application Deadline: 01/15/2017. Academic, independent, and museum scholars, as well as advanced graduate students, are invited to apply for short- and long-term residential research fellowships in many areas of social and cultural history, including material culture, architecture, decorative arts, design, consumer culture, garden and landscape studies, Shaker studies, travel and tourism, the Atlantic World, and objects in literature.

**Funding Opportunities Internal to UNK**

**Office of Sponsored Programs & Research Development**  
Our current two programs focus on interdisciplinary cooperation, aligning our goals with the current climate in federal and non-federal funding. If you would like to apply for one of these programs, but do not know of any collaborators on campus, please contact Richard Mocarski and he will assist you in finding potential collaborators.

**$15 Million Dollar Grant Challenge** – any faculty that applies for a $150,000 grant or more that generates indirects will earn $500 in research development funds. If there are multiple investigators on the proposal, then all investigators are eligible as long as the grant submission grows in proportion to the number of investigators. To see overview and purpose: [15 Million Dollar Challenge](#).

**Life Sciences**

**American Tinnitus Association**  
Tinnitus Research Projects  
Application Deadline: 11/15/2016. The American Tinnitus Association invites proposals for research and development projects on tinnitus that improve the medical understanding of tinnitus, develop new tinnitus management tools, and lay the foundation for future cures.

**Autism Science Foundation**
Research Accelerator Grants
http://autismsciencefoundation.org/what-we-fund/apply-for-a-research-accelerator-grant/
Grants awarded through the Research Accelerator Grants program are designed to expand the scope, speed the progress or increase the efficiency, and improve final product dissemination of active autism research.

The next deadlines are **October 3, 2016** and **April 3, 2017**.

**NIH**
Research Infrastructure Development for Interdisciplinary Aging Studies (R21/R33)
This announcement invites applications that propose to develop novel research infrastructure that will advance the science of aging in specific areas requiring interdisciplinary partnerships or collaborations. Specifically, this announcement will use the NIH Phased Innovation Award mechanism to provide up to two years of R21 support for initial developmental activities, and up to three years of R33 support for expanded activities. Through this award, investigators will develop a sustainable research infrastructure to support projects that address key interdisciplinary aging research questions.

Standard application dates apply. See solicitation for details.

**Limited Submissions**

**CEC ArtsLink**
ArtsLink Projects
http://www.cecartslink.org/grants/artslink_projects/
Application Deadline: 01/16/2017. ArtsLink Projects provide support for projects in eligible foreign countries. Applicants must be working with an artist or organization in the chosen region, and projects should be designed to benefit participants and audiences in both the United States and the host country. This deadline is for visual and media arts projects.

An applicant may not submit more than one ArtsLink Projects application per year.
If you are interested in developing a proposal in response to this funding opportunity, please visit with Richard Mocarski.

**Department of Labor**
America's Promise Job Driven Grant Program
Application Deadline: 08/25/2016. This grant program is designed to create or expand regional partnerships between employers, economic development, workforce development, community colleges, training programs, K-12 education systems, and community-based organizations that make a commitment -- or a "promise" -- to provide a pipeline of workers to fill existing job openings, meet existing employer needs for expansion, fuel the talent needs of entrepreneurs, and attract more jobs from overseas. These funds will be used to cover tuition and the costs of training-related activities on a first-dollar basis ensuring that training and education are free to individuals.

Only one application per organization is allowed.
If you are interested in developing a proposal in response to this funding opportunity, please visit with Richard Mocarski.
Japan Foundation
Performing Arts Japan
http://www.jfny.org/arts_and_culture/paj.html
Application Deadline: 10/31/2016. This program is designed to provide financial assistance for non-profit organizations that aim to introduce Japanese performing arts to local audiences.

Organizations may submit only one application.
If you are interested in developing a proposal in response to this funding opportunity, please visit with Richard Mocarski.

Mathematics and Physical Sciences

DOD
Fundamental Research in Atomic, Molecular, and Quantum Physics
http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=286169
Application Deadline: 10/28/2016. This program seeks applications that push the boundaries of science and technology in the area of atomic, molecular, and quantum physics. Innovative proposals that address cooling and trapping techniques, fundamental developments in atomic clocks and inertial sensors, or metrologically relevant quantum states, both theoretical and experimental, are encouraged.

Social Sciences

American Psychological Foundation
David H. and Beverly A. Barlow Grant
Application Deadline: 09/15/2016. The David H. and Beverly A. Barlow Grant supports innovative basic and clinical research on anxiety and anxiety-related disorders conducted by graduate students and early career researchers.

Searching for External Funding

UNK subscribes to the Grant Forward 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 you new funding opportunities according to key words that you identify. For this service, you will need to set up an account. Contact Sponsored Programs for assistance.

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