Agency Announcement:

NEW! NSF proposal submissions – automated compliance checks. Please see attached.

W&M INTERNAL PROGRAMS:

Community of Scholars Fund, no deadline; http://www.wm.edu/as/charlescenter/scholars/communityfund/index.php:
Mini-grants from the Community of Scholars Fund are available to faculty, staff, and students to encourage intellectual interaction between faculty and students outside the classroom. Possible uses for this funding include book or film discussion groups; or trips to lectures, museums, performances, laboratories, or field sites, including associated travel and/or meal expenses.

Distinguished Lectures in International Studies, rolling deadline, http://www.wm.edu/offices/revescenter/funding/facultyfunding/lectures/index.php:
The Reves Center for International Studies is pleased to help support internationally-focused public lectures and performances. Funding is available to William & Mary faculty who wish to host distinguished scholars, artists, and practitioners whose public events and visits will contribute to international education at the university.

Grants for On-Campus Conferences on International Topics, rolling deadline; http://www.wm.edu/offices/revescenter/funding/facultyfunding/oncampus/index.php:
Funding is available to support William & Mary faculty who are hosting on-campus professional conferences that will contribute to international education at the College. Proposals making use of the university’s Washington, D.C. Office are also welcome.

ARTS & HUMANITIES:

Millard Meiss Publication Fund Grant, College Art Association, deadlines: March 15, September 15; http://www.collegeart.org/meiss/.

Resident Scholars, School for Advanced Research (SAR), deadline: 11/7/16; http://sarweb.org/index.php?resident_scholars.


SOCIAL SCIENCES:


All-India Road Show on Women’s Economic Empowerment through Entrepreneurship, US Embassy New Delhi, deadline: 9/2/16; http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=285624.


Resident Scholars, School for Advanced Research (SAR), deadline: 11/7/16; http://sarweb.org/index.php?resident_scholars.


**SCIENCE & RESEARCH/FEDERAL:**


Research Training Program for College and University Students, EPA, deadline: 8/16/16; [https://www.epa.gov/research-grants/research-training-program-college-and-university-students](https://www.epa.gov/research-grants/research-training-program-college-and-university-students).


**FOUNDATION:**


Grants, The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts, deadlines: March 1, September 1; [http://warholfoundation.org/grant/overview.html](http://warholfoundation.org/grant/overview.html).


Beckman Young Investigator (BYI) Program, Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation, deadline: LOI 8/15/16; [http://www.beckman-foundation.org/beckman-young-investigators](http://www.beckman-foundation.org/beckman-young-investigators): **If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Luiza Newlin-Lukowicz, W&M Development, [cfr@wm.edu](mailto:cfr@wm.edu) or 1-1036, to coordinate efforts prior to contacting the Foundation.**


Simons Fellows Programs in Mathematics and Theoretical Physics, The Simons Foundation, deadline: 9/29/16; [https://www.simonsfoundation.org/funding/funding-opportunities/mathematics-physical-sciences/simons-fellow-program/](https://www.simonsfoundation.org/funding/funding-opportunities/mathematics-physical-sciences/simons-fellow-program/).


(The Foundation funds projects in biological and physical sciences. Particular areas of interest include innovative medical investigations, endangered species and ecosystems in the U.S. and abroad, and climate change.)

**OTHER:**


Dear Colleagues:

NSF continues to focus on the automated compliance checks of proposals in order to decrease the burden on both the research community and NSF staff. Effective July 25, 2016, all proposals will be subject to a new series of automated compliance validation checks to ensure proposals comply with requirements outlined in Chapter II.C.2. of the Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG).

The new set of automated compliance checks will trigger error messages for each of the following rules:

- Biographical Sketch(es) and Current and Pending Support files are required for each Senior Personnel associated with a proposal; and
- Biographical Sketch(es) can only be uploaded as a file, must not exceed two pages and can no longer be entered as text.

Note About Proposal File Update (PFU): Proposers should be aware should that if a proposal was received prior to July 25 and contained only one Biographical Sketch and/or Current & Pending Support file (rather than individual files for each senior personnel), a PFU addressing any section of the proposal will result in the proposal not being accepted if it does not comply with these new compliance checks. The checks will be run on all sections of the proposal regardless of which section was updated during the PFU.

Note About Grants.gov: Proposers should also be aware that Grants.gov will allow a proposal to be submitted, even if it does not comply with these proposal preparation requirements. Should NSF receive a proposal from Grants.gov that is not compliant, it will be returned without review.

Please note that the new set of compliance checks are in addition to the compliance checks that currently exist in FastLane. You can view a complete list of FastLane auto-compliance checks, including these checks, by clicking here. The list specifies which checks are run depending on funding opportunity type (GPG, Program Description, Program Announcement, or Program Solicitation) and type of proposal (Research, RAPID, EAGER, Ideas Lab, Conference, Equipment, International Travel, Facility/Center, or Fellowship). It also specifies whether the check triggers a “warning” or “error” message for non-compliant proposals.

We encourage you to share this information with your colleagues. For system-related questions, please contact the NSF Help Desk at 1-800-381-1532 or Rgov@nsf.gov. Policy-related questions should be directed to policy@nsf.gov.

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