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Please note, this is the only July edition of the KU Research Funding Bulletin. The bulletin will be posted on a monthly basis during the summer. Biweekly posting will resume on September 7.

Upcoming Funding Events/News

National Institutes of Health

Pre-Application Webinars for the High-Risk High-Reward Research Program Awards

The NIH Common Fund will hold pre-application interactive Q&A webinars for funding opportunities for the [High-Risk, High-Reward Research program](#). NIH staff will discuss the funding opportunities and answer questions from prospective applicants. Preregistration for the webinar is required, and participants are asked to submit their questions ahead of time to award mailboxes. Participation in the webinars is optional.

NIH Director's Early Independence Award ([RFA-RM-17-008](#)) – July 17, 2017 at 12:00 PM
To join the webinar, [register through WebEx](#) and submit your questions ahead of time to EarlyIndependence@od.nih.gov.

NIH Director's Pioneer Award ([RFA-RM-17-005](#)) – July 17, 2017 at 2:00 PM
To join the webinar, [register through WebEx](#) and submit your questions ahead of time to PioneerAwards@mail.nih.gov.

NIH Director's New Innovator Award ([RFA-RM-17-006](#)) – July 24, 2017 at 12:00 PM
To join the webinar, [register through WebEx](#) and submit your questions ahead of time to NewInnovatorAwards@mail.nih.gov.

NIH Director's Transformative Research Award ([RFA-RM-17-007](#)) – July 24, 2017 at 2:00 PM
To join the webinar, [register through WebEx](#) and submit your questions ahead of time to Transformative_Awards@mail.nih.gov.

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Salary Cap for FY 2017 Finalized

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016, restricts the amount of direct salary to Executive Level II of the Federal Executive pay scale. The Executive Level II salary was previously set at \$185,100, and increased to \$187,000 effective January 8, 2017.

This and other legislative mandates that limit the use of NIH grant funds in FY 2017 can be found at [NOT-OD-17-075](#).

eRA Commons Account Updates

If you have more than one eRA Commons account, look for an email coming your way this summer notifying you of potential duplicate accounts, and providing instructions on how to select your preferred account once you are logged into eRA Commons.

NIH is beginning this effort to support accurate counts of applications and grants, and the proper association of committee service to an investigator. One of the most common reasons for duplicate accounts is when researchers use one login for their peer reviewer role, and another account when submitting an application. The Commons is designed to allow a single account to perform multiple functions, even at more than one organization. For example, a person can have an account with a principal investigator (PI) role at a university, and a PI role at another university or at a small business. The same account may have a trainee role and a PI role, as well.

In late July 2017, NIH will begin sending notifications to individuals who likely have more than one Commons account. For security, these emails will only include instructions on how to determine whether you have duplicate accounts. The process for identifying and selecting the preferred account takes place within eRA Commons, after logging in with your credentials.

For more details, please see the [Extramural Nexus](#).

National Science Foundation

Geospace Science Programs Remove Target Dates

The Division of Atmospheric and Geospace Sciences (AGS) will eliminate target dates for three solicitations in the Geospace Science Section:

- Coupling, Energetics, and Dynamics of Atmospheric Regions (CEDAR);
- Geospace Environment Modeling (GEM);
- Solar, Heliospheric, and INterplanetary Environment (SHINE)

Although these programs traditionally accepted new proposals throughout the latter half of the year, new proposals should only be submitted after October 1, 2017. This date was selected due to relocation of the NSF staff and services to a new headquarters building in Alexandria, VA, and to better align these programs with the fiscal year. The Program Solicitations for each of the programs listed above will be updated to reflect these changes.

Core Solar Terrestrial, Aeronomy, and Magnetosphere programs will continue to accept proposals at any time.

As has been shown in other NSF Programs and Divisions where a no deadline submission process has been instituted, eliminating deadlines can reduce the burden on institutions and the community by

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spreading out the request period over the course of the year, as opposed to having submissions limited to two short time windows.

Supplements, EAGERS, and RAPIDs will continue to be entertained anytime following communication with the cognizant Program Director.

Proposals that have been declined need to be substantially revised to be considered again by the programs. Submissions that have not been changed significantly will be returned without review.

For more information, please see this [Dear Colleague Letter](#).

Geoinformatics Program (GI) Proposal Submission Hiatus

In order to conduct a Geoinformatics program review, there will be a one year hiatus in the acceptance of proposals effective immediately. New project proposals will not be accepted in 2017. Continuing grant increments for active awards will continue to be funded in the interim. Please monitor the [EAR updates](#) web page for information about new funding opportunities for 2018 and beyond.

Current GI awardees should communicate with their cognizant program officers in EAR (GI and/or Disciplinary) for any issues related to their awards. Principal Investigators seeking new funding in the hiatus period should consider programs in the [Computer and Information Science and Engineering \(CISE\) Directorate](#) and/or the [EarthCube Program](#), or contact their disciplinary program directors for guidance. For more information, please see this [Dear Colleague Letter](#).

US Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

The Institute of Education Sciences (IES) is launching a series of on-demand webinars for those who are interested in Fiscal Year 2018 funding opportunities and learning more about IES.

In addition, questions may be submitted on or before July 31 and answers to frequently asked questions will be posted on the webinar website. Applicants are encouraged to e-mail questions specific to their individual project to the program officer for the relevant funding opportunity.

The following pre-recorded webinars are now available:

- IES Basic Overview of Research Grants
- IES Application Process
- IES Grant Writing Workshop
- New Applicants to IES
- NCSER Research Training Programs in Special Education: Early Career Development and Mentoring
- NCSER Research Training Programs in Special Education: Postdoctoral Research Training in Special Education and Early Intervention
- Researcher-Practitioner Partnerships in Education Research Topic – Partnerships and Collaborations Focused on Problems of Practice or Policy Grant Program
- Evaluation of State and Local Education Programs and Policies Topic – Partnerships and Collaborations Focused on Problems of Practice or Policy Grant Program
- Low-Cost, Short-Duration Evaluation of Education and Special Education Interventions

Visit the [IES Funding Opportunities website](#) for more information about these and other research programs.

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Current Top Searches on PIVOT

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Computational and Data-Enabled Science and Engineering (CDS&E)

Deadline: Varies by Directorate/Division

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/138937

United States Department of Energy (DOE)

Advanced Technology Solutions for Unconventional Oil and Gas Development

Deadline: August 15, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/174933

United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

National Priorities: Transdisciplinary Research into Detecting and Controlling Lead in Drinking Water

Deadline: August 15, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/175021

United States Department of Defense (DOD)

Center of Excellence: Trusted Human-Machine Teaming

Deadline: August 18, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/174844

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Integrative Research on Polysubstance Abuse and Addiction (R21/R33) - PAR-16-291

Deadline: October 16, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/167154

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Highlighted Funding Opportunities

Department of Defense (DOD)

Parkinson's Research Program - Investigator-Initiated Research - W81XWH-17-PRP-IIRA

Deadline: LOI: August 17, 2017

<http://cdmrp.army.mil/funding/pa/FY17-PRP-IIRA.pdf>

Concern Foundation

CONquer canCER Now Award

Deadline: September 7, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/31331

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Centers for Chemical Innovation (CCI) - NSF 17-564

Deadline: Pre-Application (required): September 12, 2017; Full Proposal: October 11, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/112448

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Joint DMS/NIGMS Initiative to Support Research at the Interface of the Biological and Mathematical Sciences (DMS/NIGMS) - NSF 17-569

Deadline: September 18, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/63301

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Advanced Technological Education (ATE) - NSF 17-568

Deadline: October 5, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/76539

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Socioeconomic Disparities in Health and Mortality at Older Ages (R01)

Deadline: October 20, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/174518

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New Faculty/New Investigator

National Ataxia Foundation (NAF)

Young Investigator (YI) Award and Young Investigator (YI-SCA) Award for SCA Research

Deadline: LOI: August 1, 2017 (Full Proposal: September 1, 2017)

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/70541

American Association for Cancer Research (AACR)

AACR NextGen Grants for Transformative Cancer Research

Deadline: LOI: September 12, 2017 (Full Proposal: December 19, 2017)

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/160413

Alliance for Cancer Gene Therapy (ACGT)

Young Investigator Award

Deadline: LOI: September 20, 2017 (Full Proposal: October 25, 2017)

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/79864

American Venous Forum (AVF) Foundation

BSN-JOBST Research Grant

Deadline: September 21, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/172466

American Academy of Neurology (AAN)

Career Development Award

Deadline: October 1, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/168935

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Maximizing Investigators' Research Award for Early Stage Investigators (R35) - PAR-17-094

Deadline: October 3, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/159781

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Limited Submissions

<http://policy.ku.edu/research/institutional-endorsement>

National Science Foundation

Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Pathways into Geoscience (IUSE:GEOPATHS)

Internal NOI Deadline: July 21, 2017

Sponsor Deadlines: LOI, August 18, 2017; Full Proposal, October 10, 2017

https://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/156797

Additional Limited Submissions

The internal deadline has passed for the following opportunities.

If interested in submitting, please contact kureslimitedsubs@ku.edu as soon as possible.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

Sloan Research Fellowships

Sponsor Deadline: September 15, 2017

<http://research.ku.edu/lso/1397>

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Director's Early Independence Awards (DP5)

Sponsor Deadline: September 22, 2017

<http://research.ku.edu/lso/1396>