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Social Scientists Needed to Secure Cyberspace!

An information session related to the NSF call for interdisciplinary research for [Enabling Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace EAGER](#) funding will be held on **Friday, October 15th from 9:00-10:30**. Applicant teams must include both social and computer/informational scientists. Interested?

See below to register and to complete the interest survey.

Please send any news items to Yancey Crawford
at yanceyc3@vt.edu by Friday each week.

Funding Opportunities



NIA IMPACT
COLLABORATORY
TRANSFORMING DEMENTIA CARE

Call for Demonstration Projects related to Alzheimer's Disease

The National Institute on Aging IMPACT Collaboratory was established to build the nation's capacity to conduct pragmatic clinical trials (ePCTs) of non-pharmacological interventions embedded within health care systems to improve the care of people living with Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias and their care partners. **The IMPACT Collaboratory will fund up to two demonstration projects designed as full-scale, Stage IV effectiveness ePCTs** that test, measure, and evaluate the effect of a care delivery intervention program in a health care system for people living with AD/ADRD and their care partners. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: October 29, 2021 (Required letter of intent)



Wenner-Gren Foundation
supporting anthropology worldwide

Anthropological Research Grants

The Wenner Gren Foundation is inviting applications for its Post-PhD Research Grants program, which will **award grants of up to \$20,000 in support of research that demonstrates a clear link to anthropological theory and debates, and promises to make a solid contribution to advancing these ideas**. There is no preference for any methodology, research location, or subfield. The foundation particularly welcomes proposals that employ a

comparative perspective, can generate innovative approaches or ideas, and/or integrate two or more subfields. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: November 1, 2021



Fellowships in China Studies

The American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) is inviting applications for the Henry Luce Foundation/ACLS Program in China Studies. ACLS will convene scholars at all ranks, higher education leaders, journalists, and other readers of research and writing on China to re-imagine and transform the program to meet the needs of China studies in the twenty-first century.

Fellowships in 2021-22 will support research, writing, and curriculum development. **Both short and long-term fellowships are available. Other restrictions and requirements apply.** [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: November 1, 2021



Apply for a CASBS Fellowship

The Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences (CASBS) **offers a residential fellowship program for scholars working in a diverse range of disciplines that contribute to advancing research and thinking in social science.** Fellows represent the core social and behavioral sciences but also the humanities, education, linguistics, communications, and the biological, natural, health, and computer sciences. For 2022-23, Chinese University of Hong Kong, National University of Singapore, and Stanford-Taiwan Social Science fellowships will be offered through CASBS. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: November 5, 2021



Pakistan RASTA Third Call for Applications

Pakistan Research for Social Transformation and Advancement (RASTA) is **accepting applications for its third round of social science research grants in the areas of Foreign Aid Effectiveness and Trade, Domestic Commerce and Markets**. The call is open to domestic and international applicants interested in economic development and policy in Pakistan, including Pakistani graduate students studying abroad. From 10-20 one-year grants of up to \$24,000 will be awarded (thirty in first two rounds). [Click here](#) for details. Questions can be addressed to [Dr. David Orden](#), a member of the RASTA Research Advisory Committee.

Deadline: November 15, 2021

Healthy Eating Research

COVID-19 and Socioeconomic Recovery Efforts

Healthy Eating Research (HER), a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, has issued a special solicitation, *COVID-19 and Socioeconomic Recovery Efforts*, that **aims to fund research on how COVID-19 related relief and recovery policies and programs impact child health and well-being**. Specifically, HER is interested in understanding how social and economic programs and policies related to poverty reduction—such as financial payments to families, income assistance programs, housing assistance or housing security programs, and increased access to social services—impact child obesity, diet quality, food security, and other relevant child and family health outcomes among lower-income and families of color.

[Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: November 17, 2021 at 3 p.m. ET. (concept papers)



iTHRIV Scholars Program

iTHRIV is a transformational collaboration across colleges at Virginia Tech in partnership with Carilion Clinic, the University of Virginia, and Inova Health System. iTHRIV leverages the latest advances in data science to accelerate innovation in health-related research and facilitate team science. iTHRIV has announced a call for its Scholars program, which facilitates the development of a successful translational and/or clinical biomedical/health science academic research career for highly qualified early career faculty. **Information sessions will take place via Zoom on October 19th at 12:30 pm** (as part of the iTHRIV Scholars Symposium), **November 10th at 12:00 pm**, and **November 18th at 4:00pm**. [Click here](#) for details. Contact [Leanna Blevins](#) with questions or to receive the Zoom links.

Deadline: December 1, 2021 (letter of intent)



Enabling Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace Interdisciplinary Collaborations

The Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace program promotes research on the fundamentals of security, privacy, and trustworthy cyberspace as a multidisciplinary subject that will lead to new knowledge and approaches to design, build, and operate cyber systems, protect persons, organizations, and

existing infrastructure, and motivate and educate individuals about cybersecurity and privacy. NSF is calling for EARly-Concept Grants for Exploratory Research (EAGER) proposals that will foster novel, excellent interdisciplinary research to be carried out in **collaborations between one or more Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) researchers and one or more Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences (SBE) researchers**. NSF anticipates funding up to 10 EAGER awards.

[Click here](#) for details and **see the announcement below for an ISCE co-hosted information session for those interested in this opportunity.**

Deadline: December 10, 2021

Critical Aspects of Sustainability

This NSF Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) is a call to action that encourages the submission of certain types of proposals to appropriate existing NSF core programs to lay the foundation for disciplinary and interdisciplinary research and to answer fundamental questions related to novel approaches and solutions to climate change. One area of interest under this DCL is *Research Addressing Synergistic Topics*. **Proposals addressing cross-cutting topics could focus on technology and workforce development with an emphasis on behavioral and social aspects related to climate mitigation and adaptation.** Prospective PIs must send an email inquiry to cas@nsf.gov prior to submission to ascertain whether the proposal is suitable. [Click here](#) for details



CEUTTS Interdisciplinary Grants Program

The Center for European Union, Transatlantic, and Trans-European Space Studies (CEUTTSS) has issued a RFP for an Interdisciplinary Grant Program which they are offering in 2021-22. Priority will be given to funding proposals that advance the interdisciplinary mission of CEUTTSS, promote collaboration across Departments/Colleges, develop or maintain collaborative relationships between Virginia Tech researchers and EU-based partners, and have the potential to become competitive for extramural support. Preference will be

given to proposals with teams that include at least one faculty member in CLAHS and those with promising impact to areas of research interest of CEUTTSS. **It is anticipated that 2-3 awards up to \$20,000 each will be awarded.** [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: December 18, 2021



Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
Advancing Excellence in Health Care

Making Health Care Safer: Ambulatory Care & Long-Term Care Settings

This AHRQ funding opportunity will fund **large research demonstration and implementation projects that pertain to ambulatory care settings and long-term care facilities** with a focus on implementing evidence-based processes to improve patient safety, especially those involving transitions in care. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: January 25, 2022 (first of multiple)

Previously Posted Opportunities

- **National Science Foundation** - [Research on Emerging Technologies for Teaching and Learning \(RETTL\)](#)
Deadline: October 18, 2021
- **National Library of Medicine** - [Information Resource Grants to Reduce Health Disparities](#)
Deadline: October 22, 2021
- **Fahs-Beck Fund** - [Fahs Beck Fellows](#)
Deadline: November 1, 2021
- **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** - 2 Opportunities:
 - [Health Policy Fellows](#)
Deadline: November 12, 2021

Innovative Research to Advance Racial Equity

Deadline: Rolling

- **FBRI/Center for Health Behaviors Research - [Pilot/Feasibility Studies](#)**
Deadline: December 1, 2021

Conferences, Seminars and Events



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Social scientists needed to secure cyberspace!

Join ISCE, the Virginia Tech National Security Institute and Virginia Tech personnel of the Commonwealth Cyber Initiative for an **information session Friday, October 15th from 9 – 10:30 a.m.**, related to new call for proposals from the National Science Foundation, [Enabling Secure and Trusted Cyberspace \(SaTC\) CISE-SBE Interdisciplinary Collaborations \(EAGER\)](#), due December 10th, 2021. Teams must include both social and computer/informational scientists.

To help us plan and tailor the session, please complete a very short [research interest survey](#). Click here [to register](#) for the session. If you cannot attend the session but would like information, please complete the brief interest survey above.

Climate Change: It's a Relationship Problem

The Virginia Tech community is invited to attend a **presentation by Karen O'Brien, IPCC Co-author and co-recipient of the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize and Web of Science's "One of the World's Most Influential Researchers of the**



Decade," who will present on Monday, October 25th at 4:00 p.m. in Steger Hall, Room 145. [Click here](#) for details and information on COVID precautions and remote options.

Announcements & Faculty News

Middle school students learn the importance of heat resilience in communities

Theo Lim, an affiliate with the Global Change Center and **scholar with the Institute for Society, Culture and Environment**, focuses his research on green infrastructure planning, urban hydrology, water resource planning, and the linkages between land, water, infrastructure, and people. [Read more...](#)



'Spaghetti Western' takes on classic genre with Silly String

Hadley Teaster, who plays a cowboy in the film's starring role, is part of the ensemble behind a prize-winning film, "Spaghetti Western." This nine-



minute movie, a labor of love that includes members of the Virginia Tech community, including **Pamela Teaster, Charles Dye, Justin Perkinson** and **Megan Dolbin-MacNab**, is up to its saddle in film festival awards. [Read more...](#)



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