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ISCE NEWS FLASH

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**Take Note: Applications for the 2021-2022 ISCE Scholars Program
are due in about one month!**

Check out the many webinars and online programs offered in coming weeks, including ISCE's second webinar focused on online methodology to be held February 4th. See below for full details.

Please send any news items to Yancey Crawford
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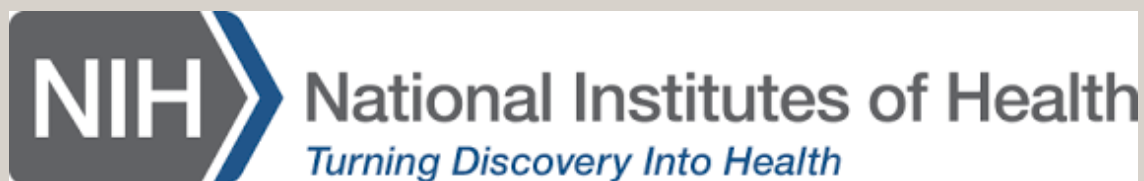
Funding Opportunities



Call for Proposals for 2021-2022 ISCE Scholars

The ISCE Scholars Program provides faculty support for grant proposals in the social sciences, broadly defined, and consistent with ISCE's four thematic areas. Six to eight awards of up to \$30,000 will be awarded for a period of one year, beginning in July 2021. **This year's call encourages team proposals aligned with the University's Transdisciplinary Communities or that address disinformation, inequality or structural racism.** [Click here](#) for the full announcement and application forms. Feel free to contact ISCE with any questions.

Deadline: March 1, 2021



NIH Opportunity Focused On Music & Health

This funding announcement, *Music and Health: Understanding And Developing Music Medicine*, is intended to: (1) increase the understanding of how music affects the brain when it is used therapeutically and/or (2) use that knowledge to better develop evidence-based music interventions to enhance health or treat specific diseases and disorders. **There is an R21 option ([PAR-21-099](#)) and an R01 option ([PAR-21-100](#))** with multiple upcoming deadlines.

Deadlines: February 5, 2021 (R01); February 16, 2021 (R21)



Research and Evaluation on Violence Against Women

The National Institute of Justice is inviting applications for grants to support research and evaluation projects examining the issue of **violence against women, including crimes against elderly women and American Indian and Alaska Native women and girls and to promote more effective criminal justice responses to the problem.** Priority will be given to applications that address challenges in rural communities, that benefit individuals from high-poverty or persistent-poverty counties, and that enhance public safety in economically distressed communities or Opportunity Zones. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: February 8, 2021 (Optional LOI); March 16, 2021 (Proposal)



Upcoming NSF Solicitations that include Social, Behavioral & Economic Dimensions

The two opportunities below have a significant role for social scientists. **If you are interested in pursuing either opportunity, please contact [Yancey Crawford](#).**

- **NSF Future of Work Solicitation Updated for 2021:** NSF encourages researchers across the computational, social, behavioral and economic sciences to submit collaborative proposals to the *Future of Work at the Human-Technology Frontier: Core Research* solicitation. Proposals to this program should describe multi-disciplinary or convergent research that addresses technological, human, and societal dimensions of future work. Proposals that address the impact of large-scale disruptions such as the Covid-19 pandemic on the future of jobs and work are also of interest.

[Click here](#) for the solicitation. **Deadline: March 23, 2021**

- **Designing Accountable Software Systems Solicitation:** The *Designing Accountable Software Systems* (DASS) program aims to bring researchers in computer and information science and engineering together with researchers in law and social, behavioral, and economic sciences to jointly develop rigorous and reproducible methodologies for understanding the drivers of social goals for software and for designing, implementing, and validating accountable software systems. DASS will support well-conceived collaborations between these two groups of researchers. Projects are limited to \$750,000 for up to three years. [Click here](#) for details. **Deadline: April 19, 2021**

AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

Call for Applications for Native American Research

The American Philosophical Society is inviting applications to its Phillips Fund for Native American Research program. **Grants of up to \$3,000 will be awarded in support of research in the areas of Native American linguistics, ethnohistory, and the history of Native Americans studies in the United States or Canada.** Grants are intended to support travel, the cost of tape or film, and consultants' fees. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: March 1, 2021

Previously Posted Opportunities

- **Alfred P. Sloan Foundation** - [Social Science Research on Energy Security](#)
Deadline: February 1, 2021
- **ARDRAF** - [Dementia Research](#)
Deadline: February 4, 2021 (LOI): March 11, 2021 (Proposals)
- **National Science Foundation** - Three Opportunities
 - [Human Networks & Data Science](#); Deadline: February 4, 2021

- [Smart & Connected Communities](#): Deadline: February 24, 2021
- [Future of Work at the Human-Technology Frontier](#): Deadline: March 23, 2021

- **National Collaborative on Gun Violence Research** - [Research on Fair & Effective Gun Policies](#)
Deadline: February 5, 2021

- **National Institutes of Health**: [Research to Address Vaccine Hesitancy, Uptake and Implementation among Populations that Experience Health Disparities](#)
Deadline: February 5, 2021

- **Human Animal Bond Research Institute** - [Research on Human-Animal Interaction](#)
Deadline: February 11, 2021

- **National Science Foundation/National Institutes of Health** - [Smart Health and Biomedical Research in the Era of AI and Advanced Data Science](#)
Deadline: February 16, 2021

- **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** - [Equity-focused Policy Research](#)
February 16, 2021 (brief proposals)

- **Institute of Education Sciences** - Two Opportunities
Deadline: February 25, 2021
 - [Research Networks Focused on Critical Problems of Education Policy](#)
 - [Practice and for Transformative Research in the Education Sciences](#)

- **American Psychological Foundation** - [Research Exploring LGBTQ Issues](#)
Deadline: March 1, 2021

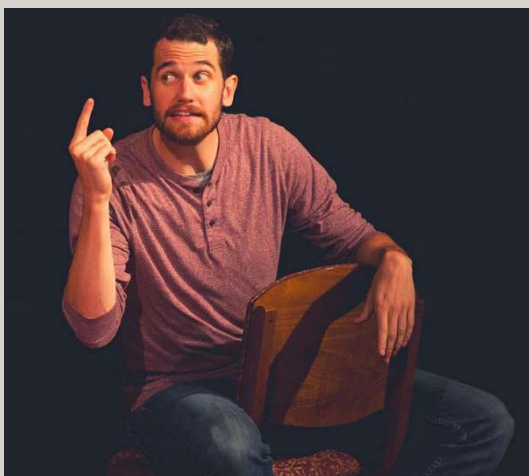
External Funding Success



Center for Gerontology receives \$2.1 million to study extended family caregivers of people with dementia

Karen Roberto and **Tina Savla**, both core faculty members of Virginia Tech's Center for Gerontology, are leading a five-year, \$2.14 million study that will examine the role of extended family caregivers and their service use, needs, and challenges. [Read more...](#)

Conferences, Seminars and Events



Science on Tap - Jan. 28th

The Center for Communicating Science is **hosting its next virtual *Science on Tap* on Thursday, January 28th at 5:30 p.m.** The event will feature Daniel Bird Tobin who will present "Embodying Emotional Connects to Science through Theater." [Click here](#) for details and [here to register](#) for the event.



Webinars focused on Women and Race Offered

The College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences is hosting two webinars for the VT community:

- **Women, Policy and Political Leadership - Regional Perspective:** This webinar showcases a new edited collection that brings together regional perspectives to address the role of women parliamentarians around the world. This webinar will take place **Friday, January 29th from 9:00-10:30**. [Register here](#).
- **Race and Political Violence in the United States: Historical Perspectives:** Four expert speakers will discuss Black abolitionist' debates about the place of physical force in their movement; the political ramifications of slaveholder violence; the repression of Mexican Americans in the early 20th century; and the racially-charged violence that has marked our own era of Black Lives Matter and resurgent white supremacy on **Monday, February 1st from 12:00-1:15 p.m.** [Register here](#).



CLAHS/ISCE Offer NSF CAREER Award Preparation Series

Join ISCE and CLAHS for an initial meeting for a series of workshops focused on preparing social science faculty to submit applications for a National Science Foundation CAREER award. **The first session will be held this Friday, January 29th from 10:00-12:00 p.m. via Zoom.**

NSF CAREER awards support pre-tenure faculty pursuing innovative projects connecting research, instruction, and outreach. CLAHS and ISCE are co-sponsoring the series for faculty whose research focuses on topics relevant to

the Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences directorate. The sessions will help faculty better understand application requirements, provide opportunities to learn from past recipients and receive feedback on drafts as well as assistance with the nuts and bolts of the application process. Eligibility is limited to tenure-track faculty. Proposals are due in July 2021.

Please [click here to register](#) by noon on Wednesday, Jan. 27th to receive the Zoom link. Questions? Contact [Yancey Crawford](#).

Lecture: Framing within Media and Politics

Join Sylvester Johnson, Director, Center for Humanities, and Jim Kuypers, Professor in the School of Communication, for a discussion about framing within media and politics on **Monday, February 1st from 2:00-3:00 p.m.** Kuypers' research efforts are devoted primarily to exploring and understanding how professional politicians and citizens publicly address pressing social and cultural issues as these issues are relayed through the mediating lenses of the press. This event will be presented [live on YouTube](#). Questions? Contact [Dominique Francesca](#).



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Upcoming ISCE Events

- **Online Methodology Webinar - Feb. 4th**
ISCE is offering the webinar: "*Online observational and experimental data collection methods for social sciences*," which will include a moderated panel presentation and discussion with scholars, on Thursday, February 4th from 2:00-3:00 p.m. [Click here for the event flier](#) and [here to register](#). Questions? Contact [Isabel Bradburn](#).
- **Register Now! ISCE NSF Event: February 24, 2021**
In partnership with Virginia State University, **ISCE is hosting a virtual presentation featuring Dr. Kellina Craig-Henderson**, Deputy Assistant Director of the National Science Foundation's Social, Behavioral and Economic (SBE) Sciences directorate, on Wednesday, February 24th. Dr.

Craig-Nelson will discuss future directions for the SBE directorate including new funding opportunities and priorities. [Click here](#) for the event flier and [here](#) for a recent blog post written by Dr. Craig-Henderson entitled, "Why Social Science: Because It Can Help Fight Stereotypes in the World of Science."



Call for Abstracts Extended

The Virginia Humanities Conference is an organization of universities, colleges, and community colleges in Virginia whose purpose it is to promote interest and research in the humanities. **Conference organizers invite proposals for individual papers and panel presentations on any topic that engages with humanities**, with a special focus this year on the theme of "*Democracy, Technology and Social Justice: Humanities in an Unjust World.*" [Click here for more details](#) and to [submit a proposal](#).

Deadline: February 26, 2021



NDACAN Summer Institute Accepting Applications

The National Data Archive on Child Abuse and Neglect (NDACAN) is accepting applications for its 29th annual Summer Research Institute, which will be held

in late May 2021. The institute will provide **an online distance learning experience that promotes the use of Archive datasets and encourages publication of findings for 20 scholars**. NDACAN can support researchers using SPSS, Stata, SAS and R, but not MPlus. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: March 15, 2021



NIH Offering E-Learning Courses on Sex & Gender

The NIH Office of Research on Women's Health is **offering three, free e-learning courses on sex and gender influences on health and disease**.

These courses will be provided on an ongoing basis for a period of time. [Click here](#) for details on each course and how to register.

Announcements and Faculty News



VT set to host 2021 International Science of Team Science Conference

The **12th Annual International Science of Team Science Conference, which will be held entirely online, June 7-11, 2021**, convenes science academics, leaders and members of cross-disciplinary teams, institutional leaders and administrators, and funding agencies to collaboratively rethink how science of team science research and practice may serve as a foundation for positive change and justice. [Read more...](#)

Decoding the hate symbols seen at the Capitol insurrection

Matthew Gabriele, chair of the department of Religion and Culture, is featured in a National Geographic article demystifying the symbols used by individuals at the recent attack on the Capitol. [Read more...](#)



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