

Subscribe

Past Issues

Translate ▼

RSS

If you are having trouble viewing this email, [view it in your preferred browser.](#)



**VIRGINIA
TECH.**



ISCE NEWS FLASH

October 5, 2021



Interested in issues around cybersecurity?

Check out the announcement below about an ISCE co-hosted information session on an NSF call for interdisciplinary research for Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace funding and [complete the interest survey](#). See the **Conferences, Seminars and Events** section.

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

Funding Opportunities



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



ACLS American Council of Learned Societies
ADVANCING THE HUMANITIES

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



Call for Mental Health Research Projects

Grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded in support of the development, refinement, evaluation, and/or dissemination of innovative interventions designed to prevent or ameliorate major social, psychological, behavioral, or public health problems affecting children, adults, couples, families, or communities. **Community-engaged research is highly valued.** [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: November 2, 2021



Call for Health Policy Fellows

The RWJF Health Policy Fellows program **seeks outstanding midcareer health professionals, behavioral/social scientists, and others** with an interest in health and health care who possess the skills and commitment to use the fellowship experience to provide leadership in improving health, health care, and health policy at the national, state, or local level. Fellows actively participate in the formulation of national health policies in congressional or executive branch offices, and accelerate their careers as leaders in health policy. The fellowship requires a full-time commitment with a minimum 12-month residence in Washington, D.C. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: November 12, 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)

FRALIN BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE AT VTC

Funds for Pilot Feasibility Studies of Health Behavior Change

The Fralin Biomedical Research Institute's Center for Health Behaviors Research will **fund up to three health behavior related pilot/feasibility studies up to \$20,000/year that demonstrate a high likelihood of future extramural funding**. Areas of interest include behavioral/neurobiological contributors to health decisions; molecular and clinical studies of metabolism; implementation/dissemination of evidence-based programming; and health policy. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: December 1, 2021 (letters 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

Human-Environment & Geographical Sciences Program

The National Science Foundation has released its updated solicitation for the Human-Environment & Geographical Sciences Program (HEGS). The objective of this program is to support basic scientific research about the nature, causes and/or consequences of the spatial distribution of human activity and/or environmental processes across a range of scales. HEGS is situated in the Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences Division of the Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences Directorate; therefore, **it is critical that proposed research projects illustrate how the research questions engage human dimensions relevant and important to people and societies.** [Click here](#) for details. **Deadline: January 18, 2022**

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)



Advancing Understanding of the Internet

The Internet Society Foundation's Research Program supports global research collaborations that advance understanding of the Internet and its value for all. The program is intended for research that is applied and open, meaning the research seeks to answer a real-world question and should be openly published and made available to the scientific community at no cost. **Topics of interest include: 1) Greening the Internet; The Internet Economy; A Trustworthy Internet; and Decolonizing the Internet.** Funding up to \$200,000 for up to two years will be awarded. [Click here](#) for details.

Deadline: Rolling

Previously Posted Opportunities

- **Arnold Ventures** - [Building Evidence of Effective Student Support Strategies](#)
Deadline: October 11, 2021
- **American Cancer Society** - [Role of Health Policy and Insurance in Improving Access to Cancer Services](#)
Deadline: October 15, 2021
- **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
- **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** - [Innovative Research to Advance Racial Equity](#)
Deadline: Rolling

Conferences, Seminars and Events



INSTITUTE FOR SOCIETY,
CULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT
VIRGINIA TECH™

ISCE to Co-Host Session for NSF Call for Secure & Trustworthy Cyberspace Funding

The National Science Foundation announced a new call for interdisciplinary research through the [Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace mechanism](#). NSF is encouraging "the submission of EARly-Concept Grants for Exploratory Research (EAGER) proposals that will foster novel, excellent interdisciplinary research in the SaTC domain 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."

ISCE, in collaboration with the National Security Institute, and Virginia Tech personnel from the Commonwealth Cyber Initiative, will host an informational session (date and time coming soon). **If interested in participating or learning more, please complete [a brief interest survey](#) to help guide the session.**

The Center for Biostatistics & Health Data Science Can Help You!

ISCE and Fralin Life Sciences Institute are co-hosting a presentation by Alexandra Hanlon, director of the VT Center for Biostatistics and Health Data Science, who will showcase the Center's work, services and access to health data. Her presentation will be offered virtually on **Friday, November 5th at 10:00 a.m.** and be followed by Q&A. [Click here](#) to register.

Missed the ISCE Event about Restricted Microdata?

If you missed the recent ISCE event on how to gain access to restricted federal microdata through the [Georgetown Federal Statistical Research Data Center](#) (FSRDC), no worries! Interested faculty can contact [Isabel Bradburn](#) to view the video and ask questions. In the session, Amy O'Hara, the Georgetown FSRDC

director, outlined the types of data available as well as the approval process to access the data.



Webinar: “How Europe (Mis)Understands Black America”

In this Jean Monnet Center Distinguished Lecture, **to be held Thursday, October 7th at 11:30 a.m.**, Gary Younge, Professor of Sociology, University of Manchester, will discuss how Europe’s views on Black America are informed by a range of contradictory tendencies and an often fraught geo-political relationship with the U.S. itself. [Click here](#) to register.



Virtual Workshop on Climate Change & Equity

The NASEM is hosting a webinar, *Communities, Climate Change and Health Equity - A New Vision*, on **October 12th from 11:00-4:00 and October 14th from 12:00-4:00**. This two-day virtual workshop will bring together people with lived experience, environmental health experts, resilience practitioners, and climate scientists to outline the disproportionate impact that climate change has on communities experiencing health disparities and environmental injustice. The workshop is the first in a four-part series. [Click here](#) to register.

Webinar: University Diversity Projects and the Inclusivity Challenge

Join **Sarah Ovink**, department of Sociology, Ocqua Gerlyn Murrell, co-

author, and Sylvester Johnson, Director of the Center for Humanities, at webinar on **Thursday, October 14th from 2:00-3:00 p.m.**, as they discuss the growing numbers of women; Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC); and low-income/first-in-family students who are attending U.S. colleges. [Click here](#) to register.



Announcements & Faculty News



Institutional Review Board (IRB)

HRPP Releases New SBE Template

In response to feedback from researchers about the protocol template required for IRB submissions not being applicable to social, behavioral, and education (SBE) research, the Human Research Protection Program has developed a new template (HRP-503a) that aligns better with SBE projects. **The template is designed for research that involves surveys and questionnaires, focus groups, interviews, or educational tests and still meets all of the regulatory requirements**, but excludes sections that are only applicable to biomedical or intervention research. The new template is available for downloading in the [IRB Protocol Management System](#) and the [HRPP website](#) along with some tips for its use.

**Data-Driven Research Accelerator
Workshop jump-starts social
science research**



The Policy Destination Area and University Libraries collaborated to offer a **research accelerator workshop in July to help social scientists refocus their research efforts** after a year affected by the pandemic. [Read more...](#)

Barbara Lockee and colleagues were awarded the APEX 2021 Award for Publication Excellence in the COVID-19 Media category for their article, "[The Difference between Emergency Remote Teaching and Online Learning.](#)" The article has been downloaded more than 500,000 times and has been cited more than 2,000 times since its publication in the EDUCAUSE Review on March 20, 2020.



**INSTITUTE FOR SOCIETY,
CULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT**
VIRGINIA TECH™

Copyright © 2021 Institute for Society, Culture and Environment, Virginia Tech, All rights reserved.

Our mailing address is:

Institute for Society, Culture and Environment, Virginia Tech
230 Grove Lane
MC 0555
Blacksburg, Va 24061

[Add us to your address book](#)

Questions? Contact Yancey Crawford at yanceyc3@vt.edu.

You can [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe from this list](#).

