Grant Opportunities
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In an effort to better inform faculty and staff about grant opportunities, this report will be updated monthly providing a high-level glimpse at funding possibilities for which projects could be developed that are consistent with BCTC's strategic plan and annual priorities.

Title: Women in STEM Scholarship
Sponsor: Universities.com
Due Date: November 1, 2017
Maximum Funding Amount and Duration: $2,000 annually
Special Notes: Must be applied for by the student
Brief Description:

The annual Universities.com Women in STEM Scholarship is open to qualified women who are pursuing an associate, bachelor's, graduate, or professional degree at an accredited college or university. The scholarship is available to women who best describe why a STEM education is important to them.

The Women in STEM Scholarship is open to qualified women who are pursuing an associate, bachelor's, graduate, or professional degree at an accredited college or university, and have a GPA of 2.5 or higher (over the last two years). An entrant must be a legal resident of the United States, or an international student with a valid visa, and be 18 years of age or older at the time she submits her application. Students are responsible for verifying their eligibility.

Title: Digital Humanities Advancement Grants (DHAG)
Sponsor: National Endowment for the Humanities – Office of Digital Humanities
Due Date: January 16, 2018 for Projects beginning September 2018
Maximum Funding Amount and Duration: Dependent upon level of grant, application awards can range from $5,000 to $75,000. Duration is 3 years.
Brief Description:

Digital Humanities Advancement Grants (DHAG) support digital projects throughout their lifecycles, from early start-up phases through implementation and long-term sustainability. Experimentation, reuse, and extensibility are hallmarks of this grant category, leading to innovative work that can scale to enhance research, teaching, and public programming in the humanities.

This program combines the former Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants and Digital Humanities Implementation Grants programs; the combined program is offered twice per year. Proposals are welcome for digital initiatives in any area of the humanities.

Through a special partnership, the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) anticipates providing additional funding to this program to encourage innovative collaborations between museum or library professionals and humanities professionals to advance preservation of, access to, use of, and engagement with digital collections and services. Through this partnership, IMLS and NEH may jointly fund some DHAG projects that involve collaborations with museums and/or libraries.
Cost sharing is not required.

Title: CyberCorps® Scholarship for Services (SFS)
Sponsor: National Science Foundation
Due Date: For Capacity Track Full Proposal Window November 17 - December 5, 2017
Maximum Funding Amount and Duration: up to $500,000 over 3 years
Brief Description:

This program provides educational opportunities for Undergraduate Students and Graduate Students. This program provides indirect funding for students at this level or focuses on educational developments for this group such as curricula development, training or retention.

The *Capacity Track* seeks innovative proposals leading to an increase in the ability of the United States higher education enterprise to produce cybersecurity professionals. Proposals are encouraged that contribute to the expansion of existing educational opportunities and resources in cybersecurity and focus on efforts such as research on the teaching and learning of cybersecurity, including research on materials, methods and interventions; curricula recommendations for new courses, degree programs, and educational pathways with plans for wide adoption nationally; teaching and learning effectiveness of cybersecurity curricular programs and courses; integration of cybersecurity topics into computer science, data science, information technology, engineering and other existing degree programs with plans for pervasive adoption; and partnerships between institutions of higher education, government, and relevant employment sectors leading to improved models for the integration of applied research experiences into cybersecurity degree programs.

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Title: NSF Cyberlearning for Work at the Human Technology Frontier
Sponsor: National Science Foundation
Due Date: Jan 8, 2018
Maximum Funding Amount and Duration: up to $750,000 over 2 to 3 years
Brief Description:

The National Science Foundation (NSF) Cyberlearning for Work at the Human-Technology Frontier program supports learning technology or research that integrates both learning and technological goals to enable radical improvements in learning within educational and work environments. This research should be multidisciplinary and include: education and learning sciences, computer and information science and engineering, and cognitive, behavioral and social sciences. **Projects should be exploratory and experimental in nature, exploring proof-of-concept or feasibility of a novel or innovative learning technology.** Per the RFP, "Projects that are **NOT** a fit for this program include those:
- That simply focus on making teaching easier;
- That aim simply to implement and evaluate a software application or technology in support of a specific course;
- That are primarily technology-enabled teaching or technology-enabled research on learning;
- Where students learn to use technology; and
- That are primarily about educational impact in the here and now (implementation projects)."

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Title: Early Childhood Grants (Early Childhood Welfare, Early Childhood Education, Parenting Education)*
Sponsor: Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood
Due Date: Letter of Inquiry Due January 31, 2017
Maximum Funding Amount and Duration: Award amount is unspecified, but many awards ranged from $20k to $50K.
Special Notes:
Policy on Funding Indirect Expenses for Grants – "The Foundation will not fund the general allocation of indirect expenditures to a project. The Board will only approve up to 15% of the project's direct expenditures for general and administrative expenses that are required for the successful completion of the project."
Policy Regarding Multiple Year Funding Requests – "Consistent with the Foundation's mission, as an incubator of innovative research and development directed to improving the general welfare of young children, we will not fund more than the first year of multiple year projects."

Brief Description:

The foundation provides grants for innovative, creative projects and programs that will significantly enhance the development, health, safety, education or quality of life of children from infancy through five years of age. The foundation provides funding in Early Childhood Welfare, Early Childhood Education and Play, and Parenting Education. Each grant is made with the expectation that a successful project outcome will be of significant interest to other investigators or developers, within the grantee's field of endeavor, and will be amenable to beneficial application or adaptation elsewhere. In essence, the foundation's goal is to provide seed money for those imaginative endeavors, addressed to the needs of young children, which appear most likely to bear fruit on a national scale.
The foundation will not fund:

- The operation or expansion of existing programs
- The purchase or renovation of capital equipment, existing software or programmatic materials
- Single events
- The creation or acquisition of works of art or literary works
- Organizations that discriminate based on race, color, creed, national origin or sexual orientation
- Individuals or for-profit entities
- Political organizations
- Programs with any religious content
- Organizations headquartered outside the United States

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If you have questions or would like more information about a grant opportunity, contact Brandon Campbell at 859-246-6517 or bcampbell0088@kctcs.edu