Limited Submission Funding Opportunity

William T. Grant Foundation Scholars Program

http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants#apply-wtgrant-scholars

The William T. Grant Scholars Program is for early-career researchers in the social, behavioral, and health sciences. The Foundation encourages Scholars to tackle important questions that will advance theory, policy, and practice for youth. Applicants identify new methods, disciplines, or content they want to learn, and propose five-year research plans that foster their growth in those areas. It is recognized that early-career researchers are rarely given incentives or support to take such risks, so this award includes a mentoring component. Potential Scholars should have a promising track record of conducting high-quality research, but want to pursue a significant shift in their trajectories as researchers.

The focus is on youth ages 5 to 25 in the United States. Research is funded that increases our understanding of:

- Programs, policies, and practices that reduce inequality in youth outcomes; and
- The use of research evidence in policy and practice.

Research is sought that builds stronger theory and empirical evidence in these two areas. The intention is for the research supported to inform change. While it is not expected that any one study will create that change, the research should contribute to a body of useful knowledge to improve the lives of young people.

Four to six William T. Grant Scholars are selected each year, and each receives $350,000 distributed over a five-year period. Awards will be announced in March 2016.

**ELIGIBILITY**

- Applicants must have received their terminal degree within seven years of submitting their application.
- Applicants must be employed in career-ladder positions.
- Applicants of any discipline are eligible.

**LIMIT ON NUMBER OF PROPOSALS PER ORGANIZATION**

Only one applicant may be nominated from each major division (e.g., WCAS, FSM, SESP, SoC) of an institution. If more than one LOI will be received from any given school, the nominee’s selection process will be delegated to the School.

**KEY DATES**

Internal Letter of Intent Due: April 6, 2015 (by midnight)
Sponsor Proposal Due: July 8, 2015 by 3 pm  EST
SUBMITTING A MANDATORY LETTER OF INTENT
Faculty members interested in this funding opportunity are required to submit a letter of intent (LOI). An LOI is required but not binding.

1. Click here to access the LOI form.
2. Name the LOI as follows: “LastName-FirstInitial-LOI-WTG-Scholars”, replacing “LastName” with your last name and “First Initial” with your first initial.
3. Click on the Vault ticket: https://vault2.northwestern.edu/xythoswfs/webui/_xy-e6485421_1-t_2HYkAISj
4. Click the Upload button.
5. Click the Browse button and navigate to your file on your hard drive or network.
6. Click the OK button.

Note: You will get a tiny confirmation message upon upload. If you do not see it, you may contact Karen Cielo k-cielo@northwestern.edu for a confirmation.

COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES
The Office of Research Development offers assistance in identifying and facilitating collaborations, putting together interdisciplinary teams, programmatic and administrative development of large, cross-school proposals, and leveraging institutional resources for outreach and education. Contact Fruma Yehiely (yehiely@northwestern.edu), Director of ORD, for more information.

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