

## **Fellowships and Funding Opportunities for Faculty.**

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In addition to the grants and fellowships that can be obtained through the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the National Science Foundation (NSF), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Department of Defense (DOD, also see DARPA <https://www.darpa.mil/work-with-us/opportunities>), and the Department of Education (Ed.gov), here are a few additional opportunities to consider for faculty:

1. **The Mellon Emerging Faculty Leaders Award** supports tenure-track faculty who have passed their midpoint review. Ten awards of \$17,500 are anticipated this year. Mellon Emerging Faculty Leaders' research focuses on contemporary American history, politics, culture, and society, with emphases including but not limited to African American issues, women's issues, and/or higher education, and their service addresses the need for a more inclusive, responsive academic culture on their campus for peers and students. <https://woodrow.org/>
2. **The HHMI Professors Program** empowers research scientists who can convey the excitement of science to undergraduates. The professors model fundamental reform in the way undergraduate science is taught at research universities through innovative teaching that demonstrates the rigor and value of scientific research. HHMI professors are committed to expanding and enhancing research opportunities for undergraduates and are encouraged to share ideas and collaborate with their peers to improve science education. <https://www.hhmi.org/science-education/programs>
3. **1862/1890/1994 Capacity Building Grants.** USDA/National Institute for Food and Agriculture (NIFA)  
USDA/NIFA provides support for research and extension activities at land-grant institutions through grants to the states on the basis of statutory formulas. Eligibility is limited to the cooperating institutions, most of which are 1862, 1890, and 1994 land-grant institutions.  
<https://nifa.usda.gov/program/capacity-grants>
4. **Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI) Grants**  
NIFA provides AFRI grants to support research, education and extension activities in six Farm Bill priority areas: Plant Health and Production and Plant Products; Animal Health and Production and Animal Products; Food Safety, Nutrition, and Health; Bioenergy,

Natural resources, and Environment <https://nifa.usda.gov/program/agriculture-and-food-research-initiative-grants>

5. **NASA Grants** <https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/solicitations/solicitations.do>

6. **Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Grants. ARC Grants and Contracts**

ARC awards grants to projects that address one or more of the five goals identified by ARC in its 2016–2020 strategic plan and that can demonstrate measurable results.

Typically, ARC project grants are awarded to state and local agencies and governmental entities (such as economic development authorities), local governing boards (such as county councils), and nonprofit organizations (such as schools and organizations that build low-cost housing). <https://www.arc.gov/funding/ARCGrantsandContracts.asp>

7. **Delta Regional Authority (DRA) Grants**

Strong investment in the 252 counties and parishes served by the Delta Regional Authority and its partners over the past 17 years has helped to improve the quality of life and boost economic development opportunities for communities and residents alike. The DRA makes these investments through three established funding programs- States' Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP), Community Infrastructure Fund (CIF) and the Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance (PWEAA) program. [www.dra.gov](http://www.dra.gov)

Faculty should also consider funding via **company and industry partnerships** [ex. Bayer, AstraZeneca (<https://www.astrazeneca-us.com/sustainability/Request-Support.html>), Pfizer (<https://www.pfizer.com/purpose/independent-grants>), Glaxo-Smith-Kline (<https://www.gskgrants.com/RMS/Default.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fRMS%2f>) and foundations (ex. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has two grant sites; <https://www.gatesfoundation.org/How-We-Work/General-Information/Grant-Seeking-Resources>, and <https://www.gatesfoundation.org/How-We-Work/General-Information/Grant-Opportunities>).

A great resource for finding funding from pharmaceutical agencies is the **ACCP Foundation**. *“The ACCP Foundation, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, is the charitable arm of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP). The Foundation's mission is to improve human health by supporting research, scholarship, and practice...ACCP is a member-driven organization committed to excellence in clinical pharmacy practice, research, and education. ACCP's members practice in a variety of settings, including ambulatory care environments, hospitals, colleges of pharmacy and medicine, the pharmaceutical industry, government and long-term care facilities, and managed care organizations.”*

The ACCP searchable database is located at the following website:

<https://www.accpfoundation.org/fundingRegistry/index.aspx>