Overview of Foundation Relations at Boston University

Center for Innovation in Social Science Grant Seeking Workshop February 2022
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Philanthropic Income to BU
What FR does: the grant lifecycle

Find Funding

Prepare a Proposal

Proposal Review and Submission

Award Review and Acceptance

Award Set-Up

Conducting Research

Manage an Award

Close Out an Award

Bring to Market
What FR does: a closer look

Identification: targeted RFP distribution; early career roadmaps

Cultivation: leverage alumni connections; info sessions w/ funders

Solicitation: drafting/editing/reviewing; peripheral components; proposal library

https://www.bu.edu/foundations/
We have compiled a library of successful proposals submitted by BU faculty members to external funders. These proposals are available to members of BU's research community to provide insight and ideas regarding level of content, structure, language style, and format for grant-seekers. These proposals are for reference only and should not be distributed beyond the BU community.

Looking for further assistance?
- For foundation funding, contact Foundation Relations.
- For federal funding, contact Federal Relations.

Documents > Private Foundations

- Alfred P. Sloan Foundation
- Andrew W. Mellon Foundation
- Brain & Behavior Research Found...
- BrightFocus Foundation
- Craig H. Nelson Foundation
- Cure Alzheimer’s Fund
- Doris Duke Charitable Foundation

https://bushare.sharepoint.com/sites/Proposal-Library
# Early Career Faculty Roadmaps

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<td>American Academy of Arts and Sciences</td>
<td>Hellman Fellowship in Science and Technology Policy</td>
<td>January 11, 2021</td>
<td>The program provides an opportunity for an early-career professional with training in science or engineering to learn about a career in public policy and administration, while in residence.</td>
<td>up to $67,000 (Starting range $62K - $67K, commensurate with experience plus a full year of US teaching experience)</td>
<td>Applicants must have a Ph.D. in an area of science or engineering and have some experience or a strong commitment to public policy.</td>
<td>Research Grants are available for faculty at institutions of higher education, postdoctoral researchers, and academic partners. Applicants must have a Ph.D. in the last five years.</td>
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<td>American Educational Research Association</td>
<td>Research Grants Program</td>
<td>May 12, 2021</td>
<td>The program supports highly competitive studies using rigorous quantitative methods to examine large-scale, education-related data. This research and training program is designed to advance the field of education research.</td>
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<td>Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences (Kungl. Vetenskapsakademien)</td>
<td>Scholarships: General Announcement for Social Sciences</td>
<td>January 15, 2021</td>
<td>This scholarship provides funding intended for Economics or for other purposes in Social sciences. Examples of projects that may be funded are:</td>
<td>SEK 500,000 (≈$55,870) – postdoctoral research SEK 300,000 (≈$33,100)</td>
<td>Doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers are eligible. Applicants who were awarded a Ph.D. in the last five years.</td>
<td>There is no strict eligibility rule to apply. Any early or mid-career behavioral economist is invited to apply.</td>
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<td>Russell Sage Foundation</td>
<td>Early-Career Behavioral Economics Conference</td>
<td>December 15, 2020</td>
<td>The goal of this conference is to provide a platform for researchers who are early- or mid-career to present their research and receive feedback on their work. The conference seeks to promote the advancement of early-career behavioral economists.</td>
<td>There is no conference fee. Conference meals will be covered for invited participants.</td>
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<td>May 4, 2021 (LOI); August 11, 2021 (Invited proposal)</td>
<td>This program supports innovative research on the causes and consequences of changes in the quality of jobs for less- and moderately-skilled workers and their families. We seek investigator-initiated research proposals on the social, economic, and political effects of changing racial and ethnic composition of the U.S. population, including the transformation of communities and ideas about what it means to be a community. The research should be conducted using rigorous methods to examine large-scale, education-related data.</td>
<td>up to $175,000 over 2 years</td>
<td>No limit on the number of applicants. All applicants (both PIs and Co-PIs) must have a doctorate. The funder particularly encourages applications from early-career researchers.</td>
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<td>The program on Behavioral Economics supports novel research that uses insights and methods from psychology, economics, sociology, political science and other social sciences to examine and improve social and political processes in the United States. The funder seeks proposals that address questions at the intersection of political and social science, including but not limited to: how people think and act in response to political and social stimuli, how these responses shape political and social outcomes, and how these outcomes are distributed among different social groups.</td>
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<td>Pipeline Grants</td>
<td>November 4, 2021</td>
<td>The funder seeks to advance innovative research on economic mobility and access to opportunity in the United States. It is particularly interested in research focused on diagnosing and solving key challenges related to economic mobility.</td>
<td>$30,000-$50,000</td>
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<td>Society of Family Planning</td>
<td>Changemakers in Family Planning</td>
<td>June 17, 2020</td>
<td>The funder seeks to build and support an inclusive, multidisciplinary, skilled, and well-connected community with a shared focus on family planning. Underlying this strategy is the belief that families are central to the future of our nation, and that the success of our families is critical to the success of our communities and our country.</td>
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Early Career Roadmap process

Step 1: Faculty member sends recent CV or biosketch to FR

Step 2: FR coordinates with Federal Relations

Step 3: Individualized roadmap is created

Step 4 (optional): Meet to discuss grant eligibility

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Early Career Foundation Awards Won by BU Faculty (2015-2020)

- 9 Sloan Research Fellowships
- 5 Whitehall Foundation Grants
- 5 NARSAD Young Investigator Grants from the Brain and Behavior Research Foundation
- 4 American Heart Association Career Development Awards
- 2 Breakthrough Prizes New Horizons in Fundamental Physics
- 2 Simons Foundation Investigators

- 2 Smith Family Biomedical Research Awards
- 2 Kinship Foundation Searle Scholars
- 2 Elsa U. Pardee Foundation New Investigators
- 2 Burroughs Wellcome Career Awards at the Scientific Interface
- 2 Klingenstein-Simons Neuroscience Fellows
- 2 Searle Scholar Awards
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