



El Camino College Grants Office

GRANT\$ NEWSLETTER

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Grants News:

MyECC Grants Office Web page:

The Grants Office is pleased to announce that it has a Web page on the MyECC Web Portal. Faculty and staff interested in developing a grant proposal can use the portal features to work in teams, share documents with team members and grants office personnel, as well as downloading our Grants Newsletter and other documents. Please visit our Web page on the Portal; we are listed under Student Services.

Community College Initiative:

President Obama announced a \$12 billion dollar community college initiative over the summer designed to increase graduation rates, improve facilities and boost online education. For more information about the initiative please visit:

The White House: http://www.whitehouse.gov/the_press_office/Excerpts-of-the-Presidents-remarks-in-Warren-Michigan-and-fact-sheet-on-the-American-Graduation-Initiative/

The Wall Street Journal: <http://online.wsj.com/article/SB124753606193236373.html>

Recently Funded Grants:

Career Technical Education – Teacher Preparation Pipeline \$225,000

Child Care Access Means Parents in School Program \$75,000

Economic and Workforce Development/Career Pathway Projects \$170,000

Los Angeles Unified School District – GEAR UP \$120,000

U.S. Dept. of Education – Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad \$ 72,797

U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services – Head Start Innovation & Improvement Projects Grant \$294,148

Grant-funded professional development opportunity for faculty:

ECC and Compton faculty are invited to submit applications to participate in a month-long seminar in Vietnam and Cambodia which will take place in summer 2010. The seminar is funded by the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad (GPA) grant. To find out more, please come to the next information meeting listed below:

Friday, October 2nd – 10:00 to Noon Library 202

The deadline to submit a proposal is October 16, 2009.

Federal Grant Opportunities:

Title:	Fulbright-Hayes Group Projects Abroad
Deadline:	October 06, 2009
Amount:	\$30,000 - \$90,000
Agency:	Office of Post Secondary Education
RFP Link:	http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2009-3/083109a.html
Summary:	The Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad (GPA) Program supports overseas projects in training, research, and curriculum development in modern foreign languages and area studies for groups of teachers, students, and faculty engaged in a common endeavor. Projects are short-term and include seminars, curriculum development, or group research or study.

Title:	Advanced Technological Education (ATE)
Deadline:	October 15, 2009
Amount:	Up to \$300,000 per year for 3 years
Agency:	National Science Foundation
RFP Link:	http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5464&org=NSF&sel_org=NSF&from=fund
Summary:	With an emphasis on two-year colleges, the Advanced Technological Education (ATE) program focuses on the education of technicians for the high-technology fields that drive our nation's economy. The program involves partnerships between academic institutions and employers to promote improvement in the education of science and engineering technicians at the undergraduate and secondary school levels. The ATE program supports curriculum development; professional development of college faculty and secondary school teachers; career pathways to two-year colleges from secondary schools and from two-year colleges to four-year institutions; and other activities. A secondary goal is articulation between two-year and four-year programs for K-12 prospective teachers that focus on technological education. The program also invites proposals focusing on applied research relating to technician education.

Private Foundation Grant Opportunities:

Title:	The Fund for National Projects
Deadline:	November 1 st (letter of inquiry)
Amount:	\$60,000 - \$200,000
Agency:	Doris Duke Charitable Foundation
RFP Link:	http://www.ddcf.org/page.asp?pageId=700
Summary:	Grants up to \$200K to nonprofits and consortia working to strengthen the health of dance, jazz, presenting, or the theater arts.

Title:	Student Achievement Grants
Deadline:	N/A
Amount:	\$5,000
Agency:	The NEA Foundation
RFP Link:	http://www.neafoundation.org/pages/educators/grant-programs/grant-application/student-achievement-grants/
Summary:	The proposed work should engage students in critical thinking and problem solving that deepen their knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work should also improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection. Proposals for work resulting in low-income and minority student success with honors, advanced placement, or other challenging curricula are particularly encouraged.

Title:	Northrop Grumman Foundation Tech Funding
Deadline:	October 15 th
Amount:	Varies
Agency:	Northrop Grumman Foundation
RFP Link:	http://www.northropgrumman.com/corporate-responsibility/corporate-citizenship/foundation.html
Summary:	The Northrop Grumman Foundation's goal is to provide assistance to national-level science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) programs spanning pre-college through collegiate

	<p>levels.</p> <p>Grant requests are accepted throughout the year, but are reviewed late in the calendar year for funding the following year. Organizations may only submit a request for financial assistance one time in a calendar year.</p>
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Title:	Make it Matter
Deadline:	N/A
Amount:	Varies
Agency:	Reader's Digest Foundation
RFP Link:	http://www.rd.com/stories/inspiration/make-it-matter/article54800.html
Summary:	<p>"Make it Matter" is a new initiative of the Reader's Digest Foundation. The Foundation will give away \$1 million to nonprofit organizations based on inspiring stories submitted by the public.</p> <p>Every month for ten months, Reader's Digest will choose one individual whose story of giving back serves as an inspiration to others. For each story, the Reader's Digest Foundation will donate \$100,000 to a nonprofit organization that is associated either with the story or the cause. These individuals and their stories of giving back will appear every month in the new "Make it Matter" column in Reader's Digest and on rd.com, beginning with the April issue.</p>

Title:	Learning & Leadership Grants
Deadline:	October 15 th
Amount:	\$2,000 (individual) / \$5,000 (collegial study)
Agency:	The NEA Foundation
RFP Link:	http://www.neafoundation.org/programs/Learning&Leadership_Guidelines.htm
Summary:	<p>Grants support public school teachers, public education support professionals, and/or faculty and staff in public institutions of higher education for one of the following two purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants to individuals fund participation in high-quality professional development experiences, such as summer institutes or action research. • Grants to groups fund collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson study, or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff new to an assignment. <p>All professional development must improve practice, curriculum, and student achievement. "One-shot" professional growth experiences, such as attending a national conference or engaging a professional speaker, are discouraged. Decisions regarding the content of the professional growth activities must be based upon an assessment of student work undertaken with colleagues, and must be integrated into the institutional planning process. Grant funds may be used for fees, travel expenses, books, or other materials that enable applicants to learn subject matter, instructional approaches, and skills. Recipients are expected to exercise professional leadership by sharing their new learning with their colleagues.</p>

Title:	Challenge Grant
Deadline:	N/A
Amount:	Varies
Agency:	The Kresge Foundation
RFP Link:	http://www.kresge.org/index.php/our_funding_methods/challenge_grant_program/
Summary:	<p>The Kresge Foundation awards facilities capital as a challenge grant to help nonprofit organizations build their base of private financial support as they conduct capital campaigns to build or renovate their facilities.</p> <p>Facilities capital challenge grants are awarded to organizations that cater specifically to the needs of poor, disadvantaged and disenfranchised in six fields of interest: health, the environment, arts and culture, education, human services, and community development.</p>

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Helpful Grant Web sites, Articles

Philanthropy News Digest RFP's: Search the Foundation Center's Web site for Requests for Funding Proposals, or for the more active user, register to receive RFPs and news updates by e-mail daily.

For example, read the [Education Funding Watch](#) newsletter for free.

[Articles](#) that may assist you in your grantsmanship efforts.

El Camino College Grants Office Web page: Contains a sample funded proposal for GETT, The Global Education Through Technology Program; the GETT & China Project Web pages; Funding Sources/Links to helpful sites; Planning Process diagrams for submitting proposals, and more.