

# Grants Opportunities

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## Greetings from the Grants Office

Welcome to the second edition of the Grants Office Newsletter! Check out the Request for Proposals from the Chancellor's Discretionary Academic Innovation Fund, the Award Spotlight on the Education Department, and upcoming funding opportunities.

## Award Spotlight

Our AUS School of Education recently received a \$10,000 grant from the Jiji Foundation to host an inaugural retreat in 2012 for a Leadership Institute for Sustainable Schools and Communities. The grant will support the first year of a long-term initiative to catalyze new leadership in Environmental and Sustainability Education (ESE) for young people at the elementary and secondary school levels. The retreat will provide ESE training and curriculum tools for K-12 teachers and informal educators, examine alternative visions and strategies to promote dialogue for building leadership capacity across sectors, and explore trends in ESE that are occurring at the government agency, private business, nonprofit, district and school levels.

The Leadership Institute is coordinated by a core team comprised of faculty from our School of Education and Center for Creative Change, and adjunct faculty who are also representatives from two key partner organizations: Friends of the Cedar River Watershed and the EduCulture Project at Global Source Education. The grant from the Jiji Foundation will also provide support for representatives from organizations serving tribes and communities of color to participate as advisors on the Leadership Institute core team.

## Grantwriting 101: Mistakes to Avoid

“The best way to get a grant is to contact the grant maker directly, tailor your application to the grant you’re seeking, and not overpromise results or exaggerate your abilities.”

Check out other grantwriting tips as well as common grant application mistakes from *The Chronicle of Philanthropy* in [this 2-minute video](#).

## Request for Proposals

The Chancellor's Discretionary Academic Innovation Fund supports academic innovation in teaching and learning that builds a distinctive integrated national university with strong regional identities. Two types of proposals are considered: (1) Cross-campus academic programmatic collaborations and/or (2) University academic programs. Proposals must be written by AUS core faculty or administrators and include a narrative and budget. Contact Rebecca McColl, Grants Officer at [rmccoll@antioch.edu](mailto:rmccoll@antioch.edu) for the guidelines and application forms.

**Focus:** Cross-Campus Academic Programmatic Collaborations; University Academic Programs

**Deadline:** Pre-proposal to AUS Grants Office due July 11, 2011

**Funding Range:** No minimum or maximum cap

## Select Upcoming Grants Opportunities

Contact the [Grants Office](#) for information on how to search for grant opportunities, develop a proposal, and submit it to the sponsor on behalf of Antioch University Seattle.

<a href="#">Elizabeth Hurlock Beckman</a> – Education	Aug. 1, 2011
<a href="#">Florence Tyson Foundation</a> – Art Therapy	Aug. 1, 2011
<a href="#">Weyerhaeuser Foundation</a> – Sustainability	Aug. 1, 2011
<a href="#">Foster Foundation</a> – Education/Arts/Culture	Aug. 2011
<a href="#">Ittleson Foundation</a> – Environment	Sept. 1, 2011
<a href="#">Nat'l Oceanic and Atmospheric Admin.</a>	Sept. 11, 2011
<a href="#">Bullitt Foundation</a> - Environment	Sept. 15, 2011
Elizabeth A. Lynn Foundation – Mental Health	Sept. 15, 2011
<a href="#">ING Foundation</a> – Education/Environment	Sept. 15, 2011
<a href="#">Learning Disabilities Foundation</a> – Education	Sept. 15, 2011
<a href="#">Moyer Foundation</a> – Service to children	Sept 2011
<a href="#">Surdna Foundation</a> – Sustainability	Sept, Feb, May

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## Grant Research Databases

The following grant subscription databases are accessible from any Antioch University IP address. Contact the Grants Office for a training session.

### GrantSelect ([www.grantselect.com](http://www.grantselect.com))

From any campus computer, access GrantSelect at [www.grantselect.com](http://www.grantselect.com) and click on the area that says “Institutional Account Users – Enter here.”

### SPINPlus ([www.infoed.org](http://www.infoed.org))

You may access SPINPlus by going to [www.infoed.org](http://www.infoed.org) and clicking on the SPIN and Genius buttons in the upper right hand corner of the homepage.

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