FINDING FUNDING: DATABASES AND THE FUNDING SCHEDULES
OUTLINE

- Who are we?
- General Advice
- Funding schedule
- Funding databases
- Demo COS Pivot search
- Common funding sources
- Search and plan
Databases for running searches

Resources for grant-writing

One-on-one consultations
  - Proposal consultation appointments
  - Mapping appointments

Walk-in hours & Workshops in SSRC
  - Internal funding
  - Questions
  - Focused workshops

SAA Vacancies

Twitter page with up-to-date funding opportunities @IUGradGrants

Wells Library, East Tower, 6th floor
Start early
Locate prospective grantors
Use your department’s resources
  • profs, more senior students
Get on relevant listservs
Give yourself enough time for 4-5 proposal drafts
Again, start early...
  • Application cycles often close nine months to a year before the funded period begins
START PLANNING

- Make a funding schedule
  - Built-in deadlines
  - Milestones
  - Structure is your friend
  - Focus on process, not product
What types of funding will you need?

- Conference travel
- Preliminary fieldwork
- Language Acquisition
- Feasibility fieldwork
- Dissertation fieldwork
- Dissertation writing fellowship
INTERNAL FUNDING

- Herman B. Wells Fellowship
- Edwards Fellowship
- GPSO
  - Research Grant
  - Conference Grant
- College of Arts and Sciences
  - Travel Grant
- OVPIA grants
  - Pre-dissertation fieldwork grants
  - International Enhancement Grants
  - Region-specific Grants
- CAHI Travel grants
- Area Studies Centers
- MIIRT International Dissertation Research Fellowships
EXTERNAL FUNDING

- National Science Foundation
  - GRFP
  - DDRIG
- Fulbright IIE
- Fulbright Hays
- Ford Foundation Grants
  - Predoctoral and dissertation grants
- AAUW
- Lewis and Clark Exploration Fund
- Wenner-Gren Foundation Dissertation Fieldwork Grant:
- Social Science Research Council:
  - DPDF
  - IDRF
- Inter-American Foundation Grants
- Boren Awards
- FLAS
- DAAD
- The Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship – New Americans
FUNDING DATABASES:

- Grants Forward
- Foundation Grants for Individuals (FGI)
  - Search by region
  - Good for community service, applied projects in specific regions
  - Unique arts projects
- Community of Science Pivot (COS)
  - Funding opportunities worth an estimated $33 billion!

Some guidelines for database searches:
  - Cast a wide net
  - Consider the spin factor
  - Maintain multiple searches
DATABASE SEARCH EXAMPLE

- COS Pivot
- FGI
- Grant Forward
NEXT TIME

- Proposal writing (October 22)
  - Honing your idea
  - Customizing your proposal
  - The genre of proposal writing
  - Organizing your proposal
  - Proposal-specific writing tips and mechanics
  - More resources

Thank you!
1. List types of funding you will need over the course of your degree (e.g. conference travel, dissertation-writing)
2. Use the funding databases and IU websites