INTRO TO FUNDING DATABASES:
FINDING FUNDING IN GRAD SCHOOL

The GradGrants Center
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“Strategies for Strengthening Grant Proposals”
- Led by Dr. Patricia Mabry
- Focus on grants to the National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- Social Science Research Commons (SSRC)
- February 10, 2017; 2:00-4:00pm

“Fulbright Fridays”
- Info sessions for Fall 2017 Fulbright applications
- Hutton Honors College, Room 108
- 4:00-5:00pm
  - March 31, 2017
  - April 14, 2017
  - April 28, 2017
WHAT ARE GRANTS?

- Grants (or fellowships) are monetary funding given by an organization (i.e., gov. or foundation) for a particular purpose.

- Grants could help you...
  - Build language proficiency
  - Support travel for conference, workshop, research
  - Pay research expenses
  - Sometimes, tuition/stipend...

- Grants also help professionally to...
  - Add lines to CV
  - Develop your professional persona
GRANTS AND YOUR GOALS

- Define what your long-term goals are...
  - M.A. or M.S. → Job
  - M.A. or M.S. → Ph.D.
  - Ph.D. → Job outside academia
  - Ph.D. → Job inside academia

- What kinds of skillsets could help you achieve these goals?
  - Advancing language proficiency
  - Conducting independent fieldwork or translation
  - Gaining professional experience in a foreign setting
  - Gaining teaching experience

- Fellowship and grant programs are stepping stones to reaching your long-term goals!
LEARNING WHAT GRANTS EXIST FOR YOU

- Talk to more advanced students
- Talk to advisor/mentor
- Do research online (like COS Pivot)
- Visit us at the GradGrants Center!
INTERNAL VS EXTERNAL FUNDING

**INTERNAL**
- Departmental/School Funding Awards
- GPSG (Graduate and Professional Student Government)
  - Research Award
  - Travel Award
- COAS (College of Arts and Sciences)
  - Small Research/Travel Grants
  - Dissertation Research and Completion Grants
- OVPIA (Office of the Vice President of International Affairs)
  - Pre-dissertation fieldwork, International Enhancement Grants, etc.
- CAHI (College Arts and Humanities Institute)

**EXTERNAL**
- Grants found in online funding databases!

http://www
What types of funding will you need?

- Conference travel
- Preliminary fieldwork
- Language Acquisition
- Feasibility fieldwork
- Dissertation fieldwork
- Dissertation completion fellowship

Know your research questions!
Guidelines for online database searches:

1) Cast a wide net

2) Consider the priorities of the funder

3) Maintain multiple searches
FUNDING DATABASES

- U of I Fellowship Finder
  - Grad School specific funding
  - grad.illinois.edu/fellowship/
  - Can save relevant results with folder and share with email
Community of Science (COS) Pivot
- Free access as IU student
- Use IU email/Username
- Google: COS Pivot
Help draft/edit grant proposals
- Either in-person or electronically via email or Skype

Schedule an appointment
- Email gradgrnt@indiana.edu
- Provide a draft 48 hours in advance of consultation

External (non-IU) funding opportunities
WEEKLY WALK-IN HOURS

- Tuesdays & Fridays, 12:00pm to 2:00pm
- Wells Library, Room E544 (5th floor, East Tower)
- Internal and external grants, funding searches, general questions
GGC FALL 2016 WORKSHOP SERIES

The Art of Proposal Writing
February 22, 1:00pm-2:00pm

Avoiding Common Application Errors
March 23, 1:00pm-2:00pm

All workshops in Social Science Research Commons, Woodburn 200

Each followed by a Walk-In Hour for individual questions
ANY QUESTIONS?

How to find us:
Wells Library, East Tower, Office 544E

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