# Finding Funding Opportunities

Office of Grants & Contracts
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# How do I search for funding opportunities?

# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- Create a profile in SPIN (Sponsored Projects Information Network) though InfoEd
- Visit the Falvey Library Guide
- Grants.gov Basic Search
- Check sponsor websites and sign up for communications from sponsors
- Consult with your Mentor, Chair, and Dean!
- How are your Peers funded?
- Use Agency specific reporting sites

# Create a SPIN profile through InfoEd

# SPIN at InfoEd

- Go to OG&C Website:
- https://www1.villanova.edu/villanova/provost/research-administration/grants-contracts.html
- Click on "Find Research Opportunities" on the left
- Click on "go to InfoEd"
- Click on "CLIENT LOGIN TO: SPIN"
- If you are logged into VU's web server, clicking SPIN will bring you to the SPIN grant search engine.

# SPIN SAMPLE

- In the search field, type ECONOMICS. Click "Locate Funding".
  - This will yield over 1,000 opportunities.
  - Scroll through the list to see the opportunities
- To add filters to the search criteria, under the search field, click on "Click here to edit them."
  - Click on Applicant Type
  - Click the arrow next to Organization Applicant
    - Academic or Educational Organization
    - Higher Education
    - College or University move this to filter box
  - Click "Save and Exit"
- Click "Back to Previous Page"
  - Search results reduced to just over 700 opportunities.

# SPIN SAMPLE - continued

- To add filters to the search criteria, under the search field, click on "Click here to edit them."
  - Click on Application Location
  - Click the arrow next to Americas
    - Northern America
    - United States move this to the filter box
  - Click "Save and Exit"
- Click "Back to Previous Page"
  - Search results reduced to just over 600 opportunities
- In the search field, type ECONOMICS and ENVIRONMENT. Click "Locate Funding".
  - Search results reduced to just over 200 opportunities



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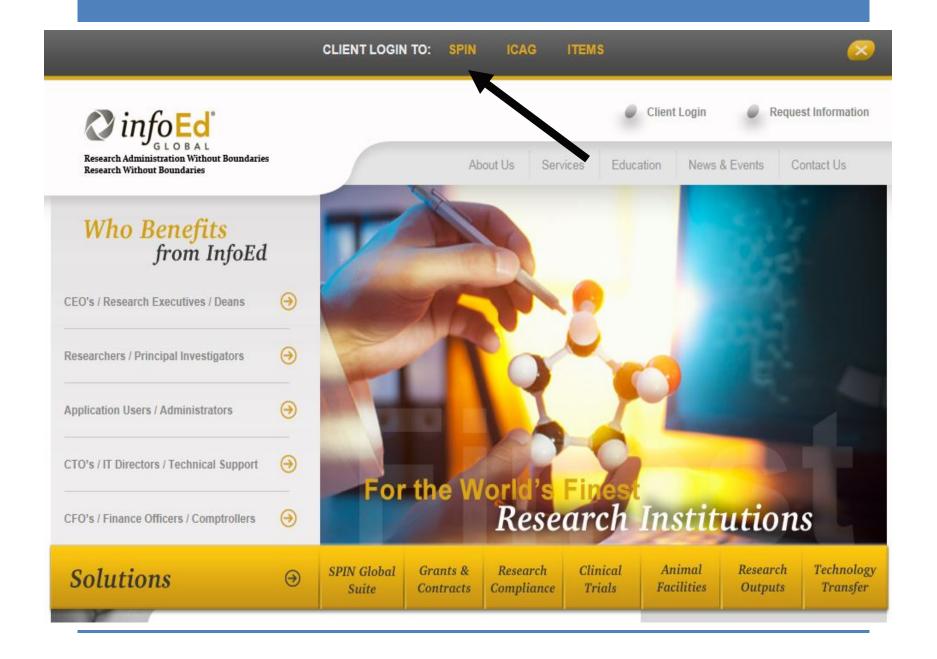
#### SPIN: VU's Grant Search Engine

The Office of Grants and Contracts of a faculty access to SPIN (Sponsored Projects Information Network), a powerful grant search engine for use by experienced faculty and newcomers alike.

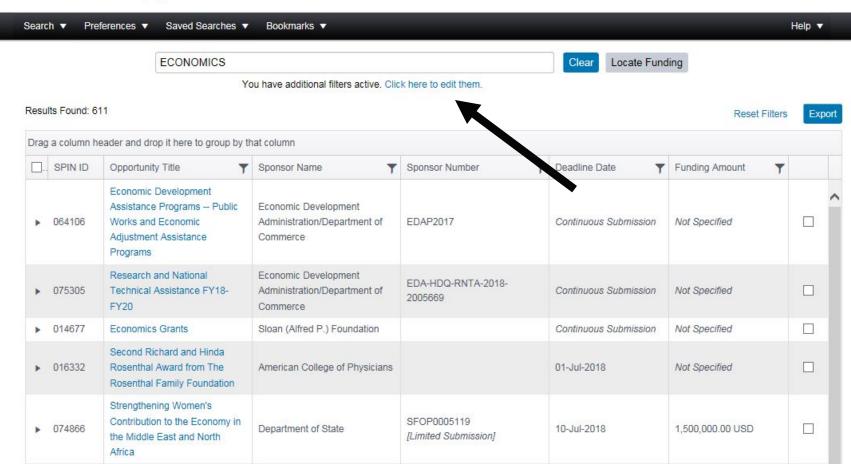
To access SPIN, go to InfoEd and look toward the top of the page where it reads "Client Login." If you are logged into VU's web server, clicking SPIN will bring you to the SPIN grant search engine.

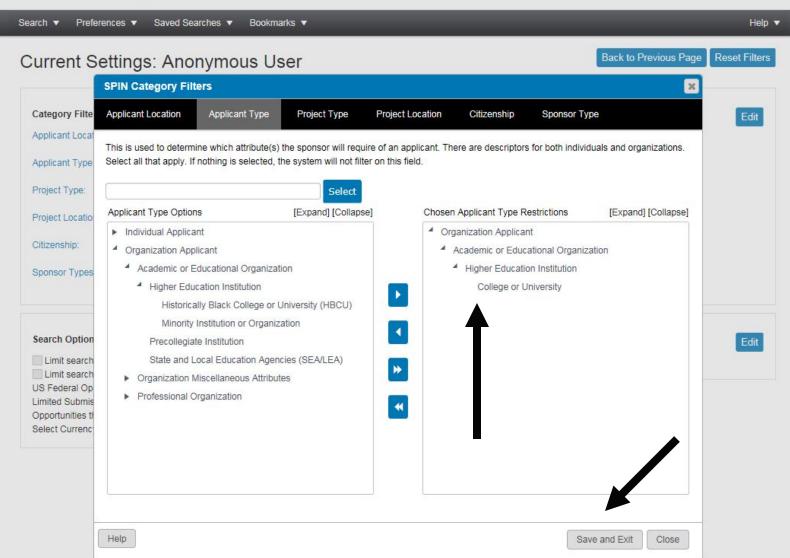
SPIN works like any other web search engine, using keywords to search a database, in this case a diverse database of grant opportunities pulled from federal/state agencies and private foundations. We recommend using the advanced search options to narrow down to your discipline. Also remember that some grant announcements are presented to a general audience, and may be no more specific than requesting proposals for STEM related projects!

If you require assistance in using this tool, please contact the Office of Grants and Contracts

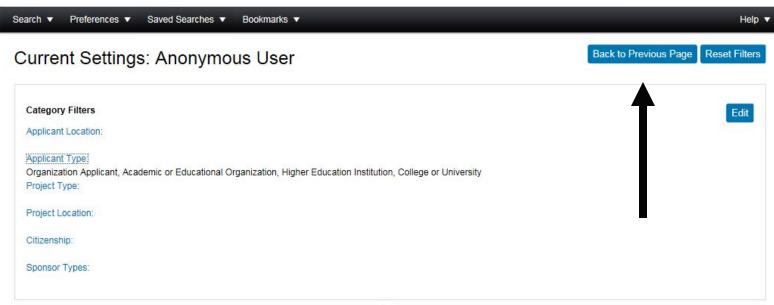


World's Largest Database of Sponsored Funding Opportunities









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You have additional filters active. Click here to edit them.

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Reset Filters Export

<u> </u>	SPIN ID	Opportunity Title	Sponsor Name	Sponsor Number	Deadline Date	Funding Amount	
•	017371	Economic Development Initiative	Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario		Continuous Submission	Not Specified	
٠	049068	Building Resilient Economies Grant Programme	Friends Provident Foundation		02-Jul-2018	Not Specified	
•	064106	Economic Development Assistance Programs Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs	Economic Development Administration/Department of Commerce	EDAP2017	Continuous Submission	Not Specified	
۰	075305	Research and National Technical Assistance FY18- FY20	Economic Development Administration/Department of Commerce	EDA-HDQ-RNTA-2018- 2005669	Continuous Submission	Not Specified	
	014677	Economics Grants	Sloan (Alfred P.) Foundation		Continuous Submission	Not Specified	П

### Visit the Falvey Library Guide:

## Nonprofits and Philanthropies

https://library.villanova.edu/research/subject-guides/graduate-business/nonprofits-and-philanthropies



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#### NONPROFITS AND PHILANT

#### **BEST PLACES TO START**

Chronicle of Philanthropy The leading trade publication for charitiable organizations. Turn to this publication to find job postings, sector statistics and reports and analysis. Read it or search it to find out about trends and developments. Subscription content only available to Villanova community members.

Urban Institute Nonprofits Nonpartisan research, evaulation and assistance organization.

National Center for Charitable Statistics Generate statistical tables on public charities and private fundations.

#### DIRECTORIES

Use these directories to identify sources for grants dentify foundations and verify public charities status.

Foundation Directory Online Professional The key resource for grant seekers and information about foundations. It offers subscribers the best search engine for grants and grantmakers. Non-profit literature is also indexed and many reports written by Foundation Center experts are included. Use it to find out about employment opportunities as well.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Provides detailed information on over 2000 federal assistance programs open to local and state governments, organizations both profit and non-profit as well as individuals.

State Grant Sites Index to state web sites for grants.

IRS Publication 78, Cumulative List of [Charitable] Organizations Us this to find out of an organization is a federal charity qualited to accept tax deductable donation.

Charity Navigator Organization devoted to making balanced evaluations of charitable organizations freely available.

Grants.gov Portal for finding and applying for federal grants.



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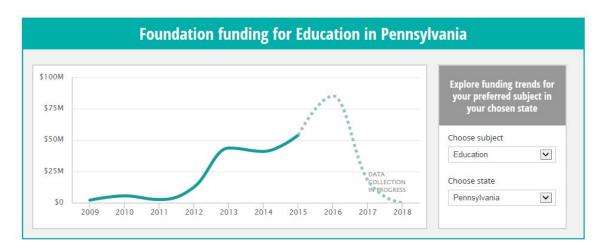
#### Who funds organizations like mine?

FIND OUT NOW WITH PATHWAYS!

### Diversify your funding sources by exploring federal grants.

NOW AVAILABLE IN FDO PROFESSIONAL!





#### Search Tutorials and Help

Need a refresher or some help getting started with your searches? The FDO Help section includes brief search tutorials to get you oriented with index menus, Boolean searches, and more. Check these out along with the basic and advanced search guides and video guided tours.

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Eye on FDO is the official blog of Foundation Directory Online. Visit often to stay current on everything FDO.

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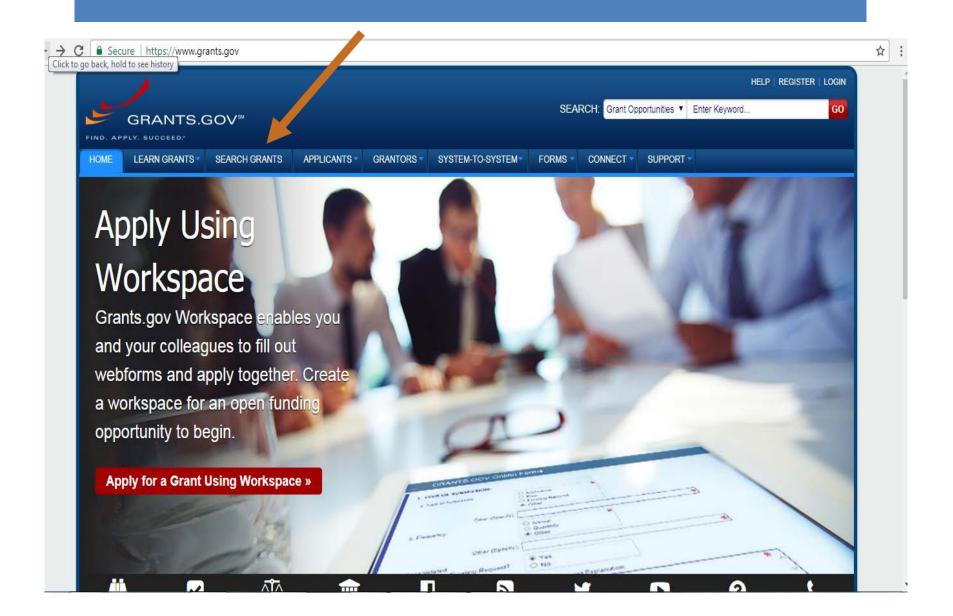
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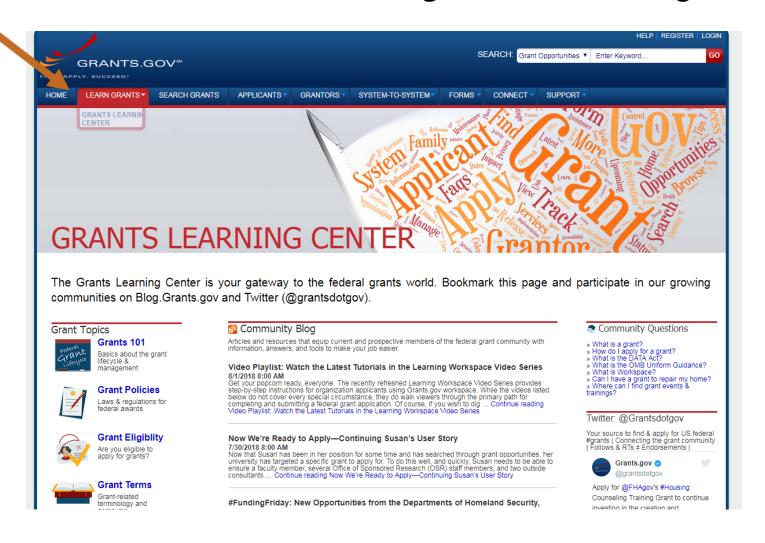
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☐ Business and Commerce (20)	SAU90018CA0001	Young Transatlantic Leader Exchange: Entrepreneurship and Innovation	DOS-AUT	Posted	06/06/2018	07/15/2018
	G18AS00060	Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit Southern	DOI-USGS1	Posted	06/06/2018	06/20/2018

#### Check out the Grants Learning Center at Grants.gov!



# Check sponsor websites and sign up for communications from sponsors

# **SPONSORS**

Sponsor and Funder websites offer a lot of helpful information about:

- Goals and specific funding priorities
- Eligibility criteria
- Opportunities to apply
- Due dates
- Funding limits
- Guidelines and instructions
- Awards already made
- Contact information

All helpful information when narrowing your search! Contact sponsors to make sure your project aligns with their opportunities.

Search for specific sponsors, check out their websites, and sign up for their listservs.

Some sponsors/funders have very general opportunities AND opportunities for a much more narrowly defined area. When looking at sponsor websites look at both opportunities.

#### For example:

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) have different types of opportunities:

- Requests for Applications (RFAs)
  - Solicit applications in a well-defined scientific area to accomplish specific program objectives
  - Indicate the amount of set-aside funds and anticipated number of awards
- Program Announcements (PAs)
  - Encourages applications for a new or ongoing extramural activity or program
  - Formerly termed "unsolicited" applications
  - PAS PA with set-aside funds
  - PAR PA with special receipt, referral and/or review considerations

Your mentor, Chair, Dean can help you determine which might be the most appropriate. Reaching out to the program officer is usually recommended, as well.

Here are some examples of specific funder websites and opportunities to sign up for regular communications:

- National Institutes of Health (NIH)
  - electronic Research Administration (eRA)
     https://era.nih.gov/about\_era/get\_connected.cfm
  - NIH Extramural Nexus listserv <a href="https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/subscribe/">https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/subscribe/</a>
  - Weekly NIH Funding Opportunities and Notices (Guide TOC Table of Contents) https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/listserv.htm
- National Science Foundation (NSF)
  - https://service.govdelivery.com/accounts/USNSF/subscriber/new
- US Department of Agriculture
  - https://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/listservs-blogs-and-mobile-apps
- Environmental Protection Agency
  - https://www.epa.gov/research-grants/research-grants-fellowship-and-sbir-listserv

# Talk to your Mentor, Chair, Dean, and Peers!

Check sponsor websites for their funding history!

#### **University Leadership:**

Schedule time to talk to your Mentor, Chair, and Dean. They have a deeper understanding of your research interests and can guide you towards other resources.

These discussions will help investigators understand the department/college's research vision and mission so that grant efforts are strategically aligned.

#### **Searching your Peers' Activity:**

Identify your peers in your research area and find out how their activities are funded (see funding acknowledgements in publications and poster presentations).

#### **Agency and Sponsor Websites:**

Some federal funding agencies have sites where you can search for your peers' funded awards.





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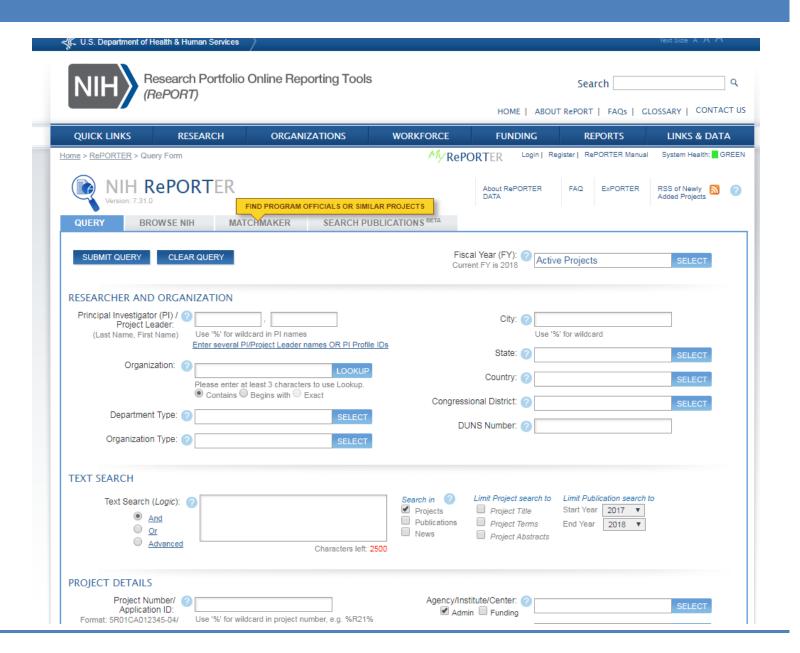
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# TIPS FROM THE PROS

- Invest the time into finding the right funding source and opportunity.
- Do not artificially force your project/research into a funding opportunity.
   Make sure it is a good fit for the program objectives.
- More narrowly defined opportunities may be the better option, but make sure your project aligns with the opportunity.
- Follow the instructions! Some proposals go through an administrative review before getting to the reviewers. The proposal may be rejected if it does not conform to the instructions.
- When looking at funders' websites, look at past awards/awardees to see what kinds of activities they support.
- A key collaboration may open additional funding opportunities for you.
   Engage your colleagues and collaborators EARLY!
- When reading peers' publications, check the acknowledgment section.
   What funding supported this project?
- Look at peers' websites. What kind of funding do they get?

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