Focus on Funding is a newsletter published by the St. Louis Community College Office of Institutional Development (OID). It features external funding opportunities available from federal, state, local and private funding sources, as well as other news. For more information about the OID and services provided by staff, please contact Castella Henderson, Director, at 314/539-5354, or visit the OID web page at: http://www.stlcc.edu/odweb/.

Opportunities

Community College Institutes (U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science)

The Community College Institutes (CCI) program places students from community colleges in paid internships in Science, Engineering and Technology at any of several different locations. Because of the comprehensive nature of this program many of the participants have felt it has had an enormous influence on their careers.

Students work with scientists or engineers on projects related to the laboratories' research programs. They also attend career planning and numerous training/informational sessions. The different laboratories each offer different research opportunities.

The CCI only runs during the summer term. Students who are majoring in any branch of science, math, engineering and technology are encouraged to apply. Students receive a stipend and transportation costs are covered.

Deadline: February 1, 2005 (applications will be accepted after this deadline until April 1, 2005, but may or may not be reviewed.) For more information about this opportunity for community college students, please contact the Office of Institutional Development at 314/539-5354.

Faculty Humanities Workshops (National Endowment for the Humanities)

Grants for Faculty Humanities Workshops support local and regional professional development programs for K-12 teachers and faculty at post-secondary institutions.

Workshops should:

• extend and deepen knowledge of the humanities by fostering collaborative study of significant topics, texts, and issues;

• provide faculty with the opportunity to engage in rigorous intellectual inquiry, including reading, reflection, and discussion;

• involve scholars from outside the institution who are experts in the topic of the workshop;

• use creative formats and programs to engage faculty members; and

• advance the study and teaching of the humanities at the participating institution(s).

Proposals to provide workshops for teachers with limited access to professional development

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in the humanities are encouraged. These workshops may include teachers at charter schools, parents who homeschool, private license school faculty, and community college faculty.

Funds may be used to pay for guest scholars and visiting consultants, books and other materials, logistical support, and appropriate release time for project staff.

Successful applications will be awarded a grant of up to $30,000 in outright funds for projects serving a single institution; regional or multi-institutional programs may receive awards up to $75,000.

**Deadline:** April 7, 2005

For more information about this grant opportunity, please contact the Office of Institutional Development at 314/539-5354.

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**Faculty and Staff Kudos**

A number of faculty and staff members have been awarded grants and contracts over the past few months. Project Directors, sources, grant amounts, and descriptions for recent awards include:

**Jane Boyle,** *St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment,* $173,956.89. A contract to provide employment services to dislocated workers in the City of St. Louis.

**Lorna Finch,** *Alliance for Employee Growth and Development, Inc.*, $15,780. A contract to provide Life Work Planning training services, including a Life Work Planning, Resume Development and Job Search Instruction.

*Congratulations!*