

# Fund Times

GRANTS OFFICE

THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

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## Call for Proposals – R&PD

The R&PD fund for research and creative work makes available \$195,000 to be awarded for FY15. An additional \$100,000 will again be available to support course releases/overloads but new for FY15 – requests can be for either Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 semesters.

Proposals may request course release/overload and/or funds depending on what the project needs to be successful. Faculty requesting course releases are encouraged to work directly with Program Coordinators, Directors, Deans and/or Assistant Deans to request a schedule that best meets the needs of the project.

We invite proposals which have the potential to lead to significant outside funding, creative work in the arts, pedagogical studies, and publication in any field of learning. Projects aligned with the 2020 themes are welcomed.

Proposals are due by 5:00pm on February 14, 2014. Please submit an electronic/scanned copy of the entire application package to the Grants Office at [grants@stockton.edu](mailto:grants@stockton.edu) as well as one original hard copy with signatures to E-226.

[Guidelines](#) \* [Application](#)



## FY 14 Appropriations: Arts and Humanities Funding Endure Modest Cuts



The arts and humanities bounce back from sequestration despite partisan [efforts](#) to slash funding beyond the \$7 million cut during sequestration. [FY14 funding](#) for the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) will remain consistent with pre-sequestration levels. Each agency will be funded at just over \$146 million in FY14, a decrease of about \$250,000 from pre-sequestration FY13 levels.

Additionally, the Institute of Museum and Library Services will experience a modest decrease in funding from \$232 million in FY13 (pre-sequestration) to \$226.86 million in FY14. Americans for the Arts has produced a useful [chart](#) showing the changes in federal arts and humanities funding from FY13 to FY14.



You are invited to attend the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Day of Scholarship scheduled over two days this year! During this Wednesday and Thursday event presenters will share their scholarly work and provide listeners with opportunities to engage in Stockton's academic community.

Mark the dates on your syllabus! Presentations are opportunities for student learning.

For additional information, see the [Grants Office website](#).

## Many State Higher Ed Budgets Slowly Recovering

According to [Inside Higher Ed](#), funding for higher education increased in 40 states last year, but not in New Jersey. However, funding levels for public institutions remain below pre-recession levels in a majority of states. The article draws on data from the annual Grapevine report produced by the Center for the Study of Education Policy at Illinois State University and the State Higher Education Executive Officers (SHEEO). The funding landscape for public education remains challenging as states wrestle with increasing liabilities and declining revenues, but funding should improve as the economy improves. New Jersey, however, had a 5.5% **decline** in appropriations between FY2012 and FY2013, according to the report.



## White House Releases Call to Action on College Opportunity

The White House has released a document, "[Increasing College Opportunity for Low-Income Students](#)," which includes steps toward increasing college affordability and graduation rates. The document also includes commitments from colleges and universities, organizations, foundations, and businesses to actions toward greater college opportunity.

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