Russell Sage Foundation | Project & Presidential Grants

- Behavioral Economics
- Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration

**Sponsor LOI Deadline: May 24, 2018 (2 pm ET)**

OSR internal deadline: May 23, 2018

Applicant provides appropriate Grants Officer (contact details below) with a copy of the letter of inquiry. Please contact the Grants Officer if you wish an internal review of your LOI.

**Sponsor Full Application Deadline: August 15, 2018 (2 pm ET)**

OSR internal deadline with mandatory OSR checklist: August 14, 2018

**Objective:**

The Russell Sage Foundation's program on Behavioral Economics supports innovative research that uses behavioral insights from psychology and other social sciences to examine and improve social and living conditions in the United States. They seek investigator-initiated research proposals that will broaden the understanding of the social, economic and political consequences of real-life behaviors and decisions that deviate from the neoclassical economic standards of rationality. RSF is especially interested in behavioral economics research that contributes to the understanding of topics of interest under its other programs—Future of Work; Race, Ethnicity and Immigration; Social Inequality.

The Foundation’s program on Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration encourages investigator-initiated research proposals on the social, economic, and political effects of the changing racial and ethnic composition of the U.S. population, including the transformation of communities and ideas about what it means to be American. They are especially interested in innovative research that examines the roles of race, ethnicity, nativity, and legal status in outcomes for immigrants, U.S.-born racial and ethnic minorities, and native-born whites.

The Foundation is especially interested in novel uses of existing data, as well as analyses of new or under-utilized data. Proposals to conduct laboratory or field experiments, in-depth qualitative interviews, and ethnographies are also encouraged. Smaller projects might consist of exploratory fieldwork, a pilot study, or the analysis of existing data.

**Value and Duration:**

Project Award requests should be limited to no more than a two-year period, with a maximum of $150,000 (including overhead – 15%) per project. Presidential Awards, with a maximum budget of $35,000 (no overhead allowed) are also available. Detailed budget guidelines may be found at the following [link](#). Please note that the Foundation guidelines regarding salary support are intended for researchers in the United States who receive salaries for only a portion of the year, so only the direct costs of research should be included in proposed budgets for applications to this program.
**Eligibility:**
The Foundation funds researchers from institutions outside of the United States so long as the subject of their research pertains to the Foundation’s “improvement of social and living conditions in the US” guidelines. If the work contains comparative aspects that include studies of another country in relation to the United States the Foundation may still consider the project. Researchers of all nationalities are eligible to apply.

**Additional Information:**
- Applicants may submit their letters of inquiry and up-to-date abbreviated CV through the Russell Sage Foundation [online application portal].
- Applicants who are invited to submit a proposal should contact OSR in advance, and should provide a complete application and fully-signed [OSR checklist] in advance of the Foundation’s proposal deadline.

**Application guideline:** [http://www.russellsage.org/how-to-apply/project-presidential-awards](http://www.russellsage.org/how-to-apply/project-presidential-awards)

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