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Information about how to apply for external project awards or for Visiting Scholar positions is available upon request, or can be found at our website www.russellsage.org.

The Foundation's website posts all current requests for proposals, which define active competitions for external project support. RFPs include descriptions of the research topics of interest, specifications for proposals, and deadlines for submission.

Applications that fall outside current RFPs are considered throughout the year and should generally be preceded by a brief letter of inquiry to determine whether the Foundation's present interests and funds permit consideration of a proposal for research. Letters of inquiry concerning research projects should summarize the project's objectives, the work plan, the qualifications of persons engaged in the research, and an estimated budget.

Application forms for Visiting Scholar positions can be obtained from the Foundation's website or by writing to the Foundation. Visiting Scholar applications should include a brief description of the project to be undertaken in residence at the Foundation and a current curriculum vitae. Visiting Scholar applications received by September 30 will be considered for the subsequent academic year beginning September 1.

Awards are not made for the support of undergraduate or graduate degree work, nor for institutional support. Grantees and Visiting Scholars are generally expected to offer the Foundation the right to publish any book-length manuscript resulting from Foundation support.

All correspondence concerning application to the Foundation should be addressed to:

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Visiting Scholars

At its headquarters in New York City, the Russell Sage Foundation has established a center where Visiting Scholars can pursue their writing and research. The Foundation particularly welcomes groups of scholars who wish to collaborate on a specific project during their residence at Russell Sage. While Visiting Scholars typically work on projects related to the Foundation's current programs, a number of scholars whose research falls outside the Foundation's active programs also participate.

The following social scientists have been selected as Russell Sage Foundation Visiting Scholars during the 2011–2012 academic year:

Robert A. Aronowitz, M.D., University of Pennsylvania (history)

Delia S. Baldassarri, Princeton University (sociology)

Annette D. Bernhardt, National Employment Law Project
(sociology)

Alan S. Blinder, Princeton University (economics)

Dan Clawson, University of Massachusetts (sociology)

Paul J. DiMaggio, Princeton University (sociology)

Naomi R. Gerstel, University of Massachusetts (sociology)

Eric D. Hilt, Wellesley College (economics)

David S. Johnson, U.S. Census Bureau (economics)

Rucker C. Johnson, University of California, Berkeley
(economics)

Jennifer Lee, University of California, Irvine (sociology)

Maria Victoria Murillo, Columbia University (political science)

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(political science)

Ricardo A. M. R. Reis, Columbia University (economics)

Natalia Sarkisian, Boston College (sociology)

Jessica M. Vasquez, University of Kansas (sociology)

Publications

The Foundation publishes the results of the research it supports through its book publishing program. Since 1907, the Foundation has published more than 500 books, including such recent titles as:

Good Jobs America: Making Work Better for Everyone

Paul Osterman and Beth Shulman

*Whither Opportunity? Rising Inequality, Schools,
and Children's Life Chances*

Greg J. Duncan and Richard J. Murnane, editors

*Just Neighbors? Research on African American and Latino Relations
in the United States*

Edward Telles, Mark Q. Sawyer, and Gaspar Rivera-Salgado,
editors

*Persistence, Privilege, and Parenting: The Comparative Study
of Intergenerational Mobility*

Timothy Smeeding, Robert Erikson, and Markus Jäntti, editors

*Reaching for a New Deal: Ambitious Governance, Economic Meltdown,
and Polarized Politics in Obama's First Two Years*

Theda Skocpol and Lawrence R. Jacobs, editors

Envy Up, Scorn Down: How Status Divides Us

Susan T. Fiske

*Where Are All the Good Jobs Going? What National and Local
Job Quality and Dynamics Mean for U.S. Workers*

Harry J. Holzer, Julia I. Lane,

David B. Rosenblum, and Fredrik Andersson

*Counted Out: Same Sex Relations and Americans' Definitions
of Family*

Brian Powell, Catherine Bolzendahl,

Claudia Geist, Lala Carr Steelman

*Brokered Boundaries: Creating Immigrant Identity
in Anti-Immigrant Times*

Douglas S. Massey and Magaly Sánchez R.

*The Diversity Paradox: Immigration and the Color Line
in Twenty-First Century America*

Jennifer Lee and Frank D. Bean

*Street-Level Bureaucracy: Dilemmas of the Individual
in Public Services, 30th Anniversary Expanded Edition*
Michael Lipsky

Inheriting the City: The Children of Immigrants Come of Age

Philip Kasinitz, John H. Mollenkopf,

Mary C. Waters, and Jennifer Holdaway

Changing Poverty, Changing Policies

Maria Cancian and Sheldon Danziger, editors

Low-Wage Work in the Wealthy World

Jérôme Gautié and John Schmitt, editors

A complete catalog of titles is available from the Russell Sage Publications Department or on the web at www.russellsage.org/publications.

Foundation Headquarters

The Russell Sage Foundation building is an architecturally distinguished seven-story structure originally designed by Philip Johnson. A recently renovated adjacent townhouse provides additional scholar offices. Together, the buildings provide excellent facilities for individual research and collegial activities. Services include computer and library facilities, conference rooms, and a dining area. Each Visiting Scholar has an individual office with administrative and other support services. Subsidized housing near the Foundation is also provided for scholars from outside the New York area.

Located on East 64th Street in Manhattan, between Park and Lexington Avenues, the Foundation is near a variety of educational, research, and philanthropic institutions. Hunter College of the City University of New York is four blocks north of Russell Sage and the Rockefeller University four blocks east. Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts and the Manhattan campus of Fordham University are directly across Central Park.

The Russell Sage Foundation is the principal American foundation devoted exclusively to research in the social sciences. Located in New York City, it is a research center, a funding source for studies by scholars at other academic and research institutions, and an active member of the nation's social science community. The Foundation also publishes, under its own imprint, the books that derive from the work of its grantees and Visiting Scholars.

One of the oldest American foundations, the Russell Sage Foundation was established by Mrs. Margaret Olivia Sage in 1907 for "the improvement of social and living conditions in the United States." In its early years the Foundation undertook major projects in low-income housing, urban planning, social work, and labor reform. The Foundation now dedicates itself exclusively to strengthening the methods, data, and theoretical core of the social sciences as a means of diagnosing social problems and improving social policies.

The Foundation currently pursues five principal programs:

- A program of research on the future of work concerned principally with the causes and consequences of changes in the quality of low-wage work in the United States and other advanced economies.
- A program of research on current U.S. immigration aimed at discovering how well immigrants and their children are adapting socially, politically, and economically to life in the United States, particularly as they move beyond the traditional immigrant gateway cities.
- A program on cultural contact concerned with understanding and improving relations between racial and ethnic groups in schools, workplaces, neighborhoods, and other key institutional settings.
- A program on social inequality, focused on the social effects of rising economic inequality, with particular attention to the ways in which the U.S. political and educational systems have responded to growing economic disparities.
- A program on behavioral economics that incorporates the insights of psychology and other social sciences into the study of economic decisionmaking.

In addition to these programs, the Foundation also supports:

- A website that reports on the social and economic condition of the country as revealed by the decennial census and related national surveys.
- A special project to track and analyze the social consequences of the Great Recession.
- A special project investigating new ways of collecting social science data from the public in order to counter the growing problem of non-response to social surveys.

While the Foundation remains open to initiatives outside its current programs, most external awards are made to projects that are clearly linked to the Foundation's current objectives.

For more information, please visit the Foundation's homepage at www.russellsage.org.