

March 6, 2008

Part 1 is due in class Tuesday, March 11. Part 2 is due in class Thursday, March 13.

### **1. Funding source review**

Using the class website as a template, search the “Research Funding: External Sources” section for external funding opportunities that could potentially be used to fund your research. Bring in with you **three** funding opportunities, and list:

- Title of the award
- Who is giving the award
- What the award will support
- A paragraph or less on how you feel your proposed research could qualify.

### **2. Funding proposal**

One of the toughest parts of getting funding is getting past the “pre-proposal stage,” where you have to make your case that you deserve funding in a very limited space, often just a couple of pages. So, this part of your assignment is to convince me (a reviewer at some agency or organization that has money to give you) that you have a project worth funding. The limit for **all** materials below is 2 pages, with no font smaller than 10-point.

1. Project Title
2. Clearly state the problem to be addressed or the hypothesis to be tested
3. **Why** is this work important? Place the project in a disciplinary and, if appropriate, regional context.
4. Concisely state how you plan to accomplish your investigation, including data analysis. Be specific.
5. Duration of investigation (dates):
6. Budget: **LIST IN ORDER OF PRIORITY**. Justification for funding of laboratory analysis, equipment, technicians, travel, or supplies is necessary for consideration. Grants are made for one year only.
7. Abbreviated resume. List education, major positions held, and significant accomplishments. Provide information relevant to your qualifications to undertake proposed research.
8. **BRIEF** bibliography: References cited in proposal.