**Grants: Department of Education – Higher Education Update**

Funding Competitiveness Conference Webcast: Thursday, February 22, 2018, 10:45 AM-12:00 PM in Academic Complex 220

The US Department of Education’s Office of Postsecondary Education highlights ongoing grant development for fiscal year 2018 and beyond.

Presenter: Adam Kissel, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Higher Education Programs, US Department of Education.

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**Grants: Higher Ed Initiatives at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation**

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One of the largest and most influential private philanthropic foundations in the world, the Gates Foundation works to enhance healthcare, reduce extreme poverty, and expand education access and opportunities for people around the world. Learn about their higher education initiatives and get guidance on applying to and working with the Foundation.

Presenter: Travis Reindl, Senior Communications Officer, Postsecondary Success, USPAC, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

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**Grants: Funding Opportunities in NSF’s Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences**

Funding Competitiveness Conference Webcast: Thursday, February 22, 2018, 2:30 PM-3:30 PM in Academic Complex 220

Learn about the social science research funded by the National Science Foundation into human behavior; social organizations; and social, economic, political, cultural, and environmental forces.

Presenter: Tamera Schneider, Deputy Division Director, Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences, NSF.

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**Grants: NEA Visual Arts Support**

Funding Competitiveness Conference Webcast: Thursday, February 22, 2018, 3:30 PM-4:30 PM in Academic Complex 220

Learn how colleges and universities can collaborate with the National Endowment for the Arts and they support visual and performing arts activities that demonstrate exceptional aesthetic investigation and meaningful community engagement.

Presenters: Meg Brennan, Visual Arts Specialist, and Carol Lanoux Lee, Musical Theater/Theater Specialist, NEA.

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