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Dear Colleagues:

Along with RSF Trustees Claude Steele (Stanford University) and Hiro Yoshikawa (New York University), I am writing to let you know about funding opportunities for your research at the Russell Sage Foundation (RSF).

We are particularly interested in identifying outstanding faculty candidates for our <u>Visiting Scholars Program</u> for the 2020-21 academic year and for future academic years. This program provides a unique opportunity for both junior and senior scholars in the social, economic and behavioral sciences to spend a year in residence at RSF in New York City pursuing writing and scholarship relevant to our signature <u>programs</u>: Behavioral Economics; the Future of Work; Social, Political and Economic Inequality; and Race, Ethnicity and Immigration.

The program has hosted psychologists and other social scientists for almost three decades. Past participants have described the experience as invaluable, productive and stimulating. In recent years, fellows' topics of research have ranged from status, identity and academic outcomes, to racial relations and categorization, to implicit intergroup bias, to automation and perceptions of self, others and work, to child and youth development. Psychologists who have been visiting scholars include Lawrence Aber, Toni Antonucci, Roy Baumeister, Sapna Cheryan, Kay Deaux, Mesmin Destin, Phoebe Ellsworth, Susan Fiske, Phillip Goff, Andrew Ho, James Jackson, Daniel Kahneman, Mona Lynch, Richard Nisbett, Eldar Shafir, Nicole Shelton, James Sidanius, Stacey Sinclair, Philip Tetlock, Linda Tropp, Jay Van Bavel, Kathleen Vohs, Adam Waytz, and Hiro Yoshikawa.

Each year, RSF selects a class of 16 to 18 scholars, from about 100 applications. Groups of two or three scholars who wish to collaborate on a project are welcome to apply as a working group. Applications are externally reviewed, but the application requires only a letter describing the proposed research project and a current CV. (See www.russellsage.org/how-to-apply#scholars). The recommendations of the external reviewers are evaluated by the trustees who select the scholars. The next application deadline for the Visiting Scholars Program is June 27, 2019. The deadline for the 2021-22 academic year is June 29, 2020.

RSF provides fellows with an office, research and library assistance, computer and software resources, and funds up to 50 percent of the fellow's academic year salary (up to a maximum of \$125,000 for the full term, September 1-June 30). Because of the high cost of living in New York City, RSF has established a minimum salary for scholars who are offered a fellowship. Under certain circumstances, RSF may provide a salary supplement to fellows earning less than \$90,000 per year.

Scholars who reside outside the greater NYC area are provided with a partially subsidized apartment near RSF's offices. Child care subsidies are also available. If you have any questions about our Visiting Scholars Program, please contact Program Director James Wilson (james@rsage.org) or email us at programs@rsage.org.

RSF also offers short-term, unpaid fellowships for visits up to five months, between September 1 and June 30, as space permits. <u>Visiting Researchers</u> must be several years beyond the Ph.D. and have a publications record and current research project that is relevant to RSF's program areas. The next deadline, for visits during the 2020-21 academic year, is May 1, 2020.

In addition to our fellowships, RSF makes external grants for social science research in each of our program areas. Information on current funding priorities and application guidelines are available on our website www.russellsage.org. We also have special initiatives on Decision Making and Human Behavior in Context, Computational Social Science, and Immigration and Immigrant Integration.

Publication opportunities are also available through <u>RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences</u>, our peer-reviewed, open-access journal of original empirical research articles. It is designed to promote cross-disciplinary collaborations on timely issues of interest to academics, policymakers, and the public at large. We invite scholars to <u>submit proposals</u> for potential issues.

We hope that you might be interested in these funding opportunities and that you will encourage your colleagues, especially faculty members from groups underrepresented in the social sciences, to apply. Please feel free to circulate this message to your colleagues. Of course, interested faculty may also obtain additional information and application guidelines from our website.

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Regards,

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