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Where to Look for Graduate and Postdoctoral Funding

- <http://sciencecareers.org/funding> Run by *Science* magazine, ScienceCareers.org has separate funding and jobs pages. The funding site—also known as GrantsNet—includes links to international grants and fellowships. The advanced search requires you to enter your level of training and type of application (individual) and then you can specify field and due-date range. There is also a GrantDoctor to answer questions: grantdoctor@aaas.org.
- http://spin2000.infoed.org/new_spin/spinmain.asp The Sponsored Programs Information Network (SPIN) funding database is available to members of the Brown community. I recommend attending a training class because SPIN is finicky about how keywords and other search limits are entered. *First-time users should enter through the Office of Sponsored Projects' (OSP's) Web site* (<http://research.brown.edu/rschadmin/spin.php>).
- <http://chronicle.com/search/jobs/> Though primarily for jobs, *The Chronicle of Higher Education's* jobs page includes listings for graduate and postdoctoral fellowships. Searchable by keyword, field, position type, region, state, zip-code radius, or international.
- <http://higherjobs.com/> HigherEdJobs.com includes postdoctoral listings. Searchable by keyword, field/category, institution type, and state/province, or international.
- <http://grants.gov/> often referred to as Grants.gov may also be useful if you search under the key terms 'predoctoral' or 'postdoctoral'. If you perform a general search, most opportunities will be for agencies, institutions, faculty and independent researchers above the postdoctoral level.
- Other key term searches could utilize terms specific to your research such as: dissertation, cancer, epigenetic, population dynamics, and proteomics. Some funding opportunities include specific research parameters.

N.B.: All of the above sites allow you to create one or more **search agents** (email you receive when a posting meets your saved criteria). Some require free registration to create agents.

- Browse the Web pages of the professional society (ies) in your field. Many have their own jobs/funding/awards listings for everything from awards for travel to the annual conference to full fellowships. You may have to join the society to be eligible for its awards, but they should offer special membership rates for students and you were going to join anyway, right?
- Check the web sites of other student or scientific interest groups that might support your professional development (e.g. American Indian Graduate Center, UNCF, SACNAS, etc.)
- See if your undergraduate institution offers fellowships for alumni/ae doing graduate work.
- Your home state or country may have fellowships for graduate work outside its borders. The US government also offers Fulbright Fellowships for international students to study in the US. However, these awards only cover expenses not covered by the University.
- Google advanced search. Simply googling "dissertation" or "postdoctoral fellowship" plus keywords from your research may be the fastest way to find websites or CVs listing people with funding for research like yours. Then see if those funding sources are still available.
- www.grants.gov/applicants/search_opportunities.jsp You can also sign up for email alerts from NSF (<http://nsf.gov/mynsf>) and Grants.gov (www.grants.gov/applicants/email_subscription.jsp).

See also:

- BioMed Research Administration's funding page <http://bms.brown.edu/bmra/funding.html>
- The Graduate School's funding page <http://gradschool.brown.edu/go/externalfunding>
- The Career Development Center's funding page http://careerdevelopment.brown.edu/grads/succeed_fund.php

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- Harvard's minority funding page <http://biosun1.harvard.edu/diversity/summer/minorityfunding-page.htm>
- Illinois Researcher Information Service (IRIS) <http://iris.library.uiuc.edu/%7Eiris/search.html>
- Cornell's Graduate School's funding database <http://www.gradschool.cornell.edu/?p=132>
- The Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education <http://see.ornl.gov/default.aspx>
- The National Postdoc Association <http://www.nationalpostdoc.org>
- UCR's Graduate Division's funding page <http://www.graddiv.ucr.edu/howfindmoney.html>