

# Searching for Funders

There are many sources of funding for University research, teaching, and scholarship. At the federal level, Adelphi faculty have received grant awards from the U.S. Department of Education ([www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov)), the National Science Foundation ([www.nsf.gov](http://www.nsf.gov)), the National Institutes of Health ([www.nih.gov](http://www.nih.gov)), and the Department of Energy ([www.doe.gov](http://www.doe.gov)). In addition, faculty have received grants from the New York City Department of Education, the New York State Education Department, the Nassau County Department of Social Services, and several foundations, including the New York Community Trust and Helene Fuld Foundation. These various grants have funded research, curriculum innovations, training, and direct services. Training projects involve preparing or training students in a special manner or for a specific purpose, i.e., certification for bilingual special education teachers. At the doctoral and postdoctoral levels, several candidates from the Derner Institute of Advanced Psychological Studies have been awarded fellowships from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), specifically the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA).

The Foundation Center ([fdncenter.org](http://fdncenter.org)), a private nonprofit located in Manhattan, is **the source** for information about foundations. They maintain an excellent library and computer center that are open to the public. In addition, the Foundation Center offers proposal writing workshops (fee-based) as well as introductory miniworkshops at no cost. Several of their publications are available at the Swirbul Library.

Grants and contracts, regardless of the funding source, are always awarded to the institution, and ultimately, the University and the principal investigator or project director (PI/PD) are responsible for the fiscal and programmatic management of the award. Therefore, it is important that your dean, the director of Sponsored Programs, the grants accountant, and the provost are aware of your proposal. The faculty member should discuss his/her proposal with the dean of the school, and the director of Sponsored Programs. The director of Sponsored Programs, the grants accountant, and the PI/PD will draft a budget; the grants accountant then provides this budget information to the Controller's Office. For a grant proposal to reflect our best work, and for everyone involved to have sufficient time to understand the proposal, the grant narrative and budget must be delivered to the Office of Sponsored Programs **seven working days** prior to the agency deadline for final approval by the Provost.