For information on funding opportunities and other information related to sponsored research, please visit research.cba.ua.edu or contact Deborah Hamilton (8-2952).

**Carl Menconi Ethics Case Writing Competition**

*Institute of Management Accountants, Inc. (IMA)*

The objective of the competition is to develop and distribute cases focusing on business ethics with specific application to management accounting and finance issues. The cases must utilize the IMA’s Statement of Ethical Professional Practice as a guidance tool or reference. The case should be suitable for either undergraduate or graduate classroom use and/or IMA chapter continuing educational programs.

Deadline is January 15.

The winning case will be featured in an IMA publication (*Strategic Finance* or *Management Accounting Quarterly*) and the case author or author team will be recognized at the IMA Annual Conference in Baltimore in June 2010.


**National Science Foundation**

*Economics Program*

The Economics program supports research designed to improve the understanding of the processes and institutions of the U.S. economy and of the world system of which it is a part. This program also strengthens both empirical and theoretical economic analysis as well as the methods for rigorous research on economic behavior. It supports research in almost every area of economics, including econometrics, economic history, environmental economics, finance, industrial organization, international economics, labor economics, macroeconomics, mathematical economics, and public finance.

The Economics program welcomes proposals for individual or multi-investigator research projects, doctoral dissertation improvement awards, conferences, workshops, symposia, experimental research, data collection and dissemination, computer equipment and other instrumentation, and research experience for undergraduates. The program places a high priority on interdisciplinary research. Investigators are encouraged to submit proposals of joint interest to the Economics Program and other NSF programs and NSF initiative areas. The program places a high priority on broadening participation and encourages proposals from junior faculty, women, other underrepresented minorities, Research Undergraduate Institutions, and EPSCoR states.

The program also funds conferences and interdisciplinary research that strengthens links among economics and the other social and behavioral sciences as well as mathematics and statistics.

Deadlines are January 18 and August 18.


**Jim Bulloch Award for Innovations in Management Accounting Education, Institute of Management Accountants, Inc. (IMA)**

IMA sponsors the Bulloch Award, which is administered by the Management Accounting Section of the American Accounting Association. The award honors academicians for an outstanding contribution to the field of management accounting education. The award is conferred on a broad range of criteria. The innovation could be in teaching methods, class materials that promote critical thinking, cases or exercises that enhance communication skills, or any contribution that enhances cost/management accounting education.

Deadline is May 1.

http://aaahq.org/mas/awards/bulloch/award.cfm
2010 Upjohn Institute Grant Program

The Upjohn Institute announces a call for applications for Policy Research Grants and Mini-Grants. Policy Research Grants are open to any interested researcher, while Mini-Grants are restricted to nontenured faculty members. Any proposal related to employment issues will be considered, but the Institute encourages research relevant to labor market issues of the recent/ongoing recession and recovery. A conference on these issues will be held at the Institute in Fall 2010, and successful grantees may be invited to participate. Topics of interest include but are not limited to the following areas:

- vulnerable groups, such as immigrants, older workers, and youths
- "jobless recovery": causes and consequences
- structural change and the cycle
- sectoral adjustments: autos, finance, real estate, etc.
- entrepreneurship, self-employment, and job creation
- workforce programs: challenges and opportunities
- UI extension and consequences
- finance and labor markets
- housing, migration, and regional adjustments
- state and local budgets and employment
- executive compensation

Policy Research Grants

Grantees under this program should produce two distinct products: 1) a Research Paper and 2) a Policy Brief. The Research Paper should be suitable for publication in a peer-reviewed journal and will be included in the Upjohn Institute Working Paper series. The Policy Brief focuses on the policy implications of the analysis presented in the Research Paper and is intended to be accessible to practitioners and policymakers.

Policy Briefs will be posted on the Upjohn Institute Web site and may be distributed in paper copy by the Institute’s Publications Unit. The research findings and policy recommendations may also be summarized in Employment Research, the Institute’s quarterly newsletter. The maximum funding amount is $10,000.

Mini-Grants

The purpose of the Mini-Grant Program, which is reserved for untenured junior faculty within six years of earning their PhD degree, is to provide flexibility to meet special funding needs that, without support, would impede researchers from pursuing the project. Mini-Grant recipients are expected to write a research paper that would be submitted to a peer-reviewed journal, to prepare a synopsis of the research for consideration as an article in the Institute’s newsletter Employment Research, and to enter the paper in the Institute’s Working Paper series. The maximum funding for a Mini-Grant is $5,000.

Deadline is February 1.

http://www.upjohninst.org/grantann.html

International Association for the Study of Insurance Economics (Geneva Association)

The Geneva Association was established for the purpose of promoting economic research in the sector of risk and insurance. The consulting service of the association is at the disposal of professors, researchers, and students who seek advice regarding the definition of subjects for study, who wish to discuss their research programs, contact specialists, or receive assistance with their bibliographical research.

Every year, the association awards the Ernst Meyer Prize for university research work that makes a significant and original contribution to the study of risk and insurance economics.

Deadline is January 31.

http://www.genevaassociation.org/Home/Prizes_and_Grants.aspx