If you would like information about an announcement, please contact Deborah Hamilton (8-2952).

Please visit our web site research.cba.ua.edu. This site has links to searchable databases such as SPIN and IRIS, the UA internal coordination sheet, and the C&BA supplemental compensation approval form.

**American Tax Policy Institute**

The American Tax Policy Institute (ATPI) is a nonpartisan, not-for-profit organization dedicated to improving all aspects of the Nation’s tax system, including federal and state taxes. The Institute is interested in research proposals to further scholarship about tax policy.

ATPI expects grantees to complete projects that provide objective and nonpartisan analysis of specific tax policy issues of current interest. Research topics may cover any type of tax (e.g., income, estate and gift, excise), any U.S. jurisdiction (federal, state, or local), and any aspect of the tax system (e.g., legislative proposals, administrative issues such as collection, or broader policy concern).

ATPI encourages empirical research. All projects must culminate in a research paper of publishable quality. Awards are typically in the $10,000 range. Deadline is May 1.

**Fulbright Distinguished Chairs Program**

Awards in the Fulbright Distinguished Chairs Program are viewed as among the most prestigious appointments in the Fulbright Scholar Program. Candidates should have a prominent record of scholarly accomplishment.

Applicants should submit a letter of interest, a CV, and a sample syllabus by May 1. Following a review during early summer, scholars selected for the short list for each chair will be asked to complete a full application.

**Mott Foundation**

The Mott Foundation’s Pathways Out of Poverty Program supports the following areas:

- Improving Community Education, the purpose is to ensure that community education serves as a pathway out of poverty for children in low-income communities by building a continuum of quality learning opportunities that stretches from the preschool years through preparation for higher education and the work force.

- Expanding Economic Opportunity, the goal is to expand opportunity for those in or at risk of persistent poverty by promoting policies and programs that increase income security, help people connect to the labor market and enable them to advance into better-quality, higher-wage jobs.

- Building Organized Communities, the goal is to enhance the variety, geographical spread, power and effectiveness of the community-organizing field in order to strengthen and sustain the involvement of low-income communities in democratic processes of social engagement.

- Special Initiatives, the goal is to sustain promising practices and promote innovative and multidisciplinary approaches to reduce persistent poverty.

The Foundation is particularly interested in: fresh approaches to solving community problems in the Foundation’s defined programs areas; approaches that, if proven successful, can generate long-term support from other sources and/or that can be replicated in other communities when appropriate; public policy development as well as research and development activities to further existing programs as well as to explore new fields of interest; and approaches and activities that lead to systemic change.

Deadline is May 1.
Policy Research on U.S. Poverty

The Northwestern University/University of Chicago Joint Center for Poverty Research seeks research proposals for research development grants funded by the U.S. Census Bureau for the 2003-04 academic year.

The Census Bureau funding supports a program for research on the following topics using the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) or the Survey of Program Dynamics (SPD): the changing labor market; the well-being of children and families; concentrated urban poverty; effects of recent policy changes, particularly on special populations such as (but not limited to) immigrants, low-skilled workers, persons with disabilities, and persons with substance abuse problems; and teenage and nonmarital childbearing.

Awards will cover a period of performance from September 30, 2003 through September 29, 2004. Grant recipients are required to present their research at a conference in Washington, DC in September 2004.

Funding requests up to $30,000 will be considered. Deadline is May 1.

Methodology and Measurement in the Behavioral and Social Sciences

NIH invites research on methodology and measurement in the behavioral and social sciences. This program encourages research that will improve the quality and scientific power of data collected in the behavioral and social sciences, relevant to the missions of the NIH Institutes and Centers.

This program announcement encourages applications in four general areas of methodology and measurement research in the social and behavioral sciences. These areas, discussed in detail in the program announcement, include the processes that underlie research design, data collection techniques, measurement and data analysis techniques.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the appropriate program that most closely matches their research focus to determine interest in the research topic.

Deadline(s): June 1, October 1, February 1 each year through February 1, 2005