

# Funder Spotlight

This new series highlights public and private funders you may want to learn more about. Sign up for the funder's listserv or newsletter to keep updated on future grant announcements, or create a reminder on your calendar to check back on the funder website.

**Want to search for other grants?** Log into [Atom](#). Access a training on how to use Atom [here](#). Find a tipsheet for getting the most out of Atom [here](#).

**Want to discuss** your project idea or possible funding sources, get feedback on your grant documents, or access other grant seeking support? Contact [Melanie Bauer](#), the NSU Grant Writing Manager.

## Sloan Foundation

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| <b>Type</b>                             | Private foundation  |
| <b>Priorities</b>                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• STEM research (math, physics, economics)</li><li>• Technology &amp; society (AI, data science)</li><li>• Energy &amp; environment</li><li>• Workplace &amp; economic mobility</li><li>• Higher education &amp; career pathways</li></ul>                                |
| <b>Link to Grants</b>                   | <p><i>Two sources of funding:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Long-running funding areas: <a href="https://sloan.org/programs">https://sloan.org/programs</a></li><li>• Specific funding calls: <a href="https://sloan.org/grants/open-calls">https://sloan.org/grants/open-calls</a></li></ul> |
| <b>Fast Facts about Funding History</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Awards 100s of grants annually across its priority funding areas, totaling ~\$80 million</li><li>• Funds both individual investigators and large institutional initiatives, both those research- and education-focused</li></ul>  |

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|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review past awardees by year and program <a href="#">here</a></li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>Notable Grant Opportunity</b></p> | <p><a href="#">Exemplary Pathways to STEM Graduate Education</a></p> <p>Grants \$75,000-\$500,000 to support U.S. higher education institutions and organizations working in partnership to advance access and opportunity in STEM master's and doctoral education. Must focus on addressing systemic barriers to transitioning from undergraduate to graduate programs as well as succeeding in graduate school. Must focus on one or more of the following fields: astronomy, biology, computer science, chemistry, data science, Earth sciences, economics, engineering, marine science, mathematics, physics, and/or statistics.</p> |
| <p><b>Other Things to Know</b></p>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The first step for most programs is to email a 2-page Letter of Inquiry (LOI) about a project idea to program staff; see instructions for how to do so at the bottom of each program page (see <i>exception below</i>)</li> <li>If a deadline is posted for the program, follow the specific instructions for what and how to submit a project idea</li> <li>Access the Sloan Foundation's tips for writing a successful grant proposal <a href="#">here</a></li> </ul>   |

### What Should You Do Next?

- Find more grant opportunities using [Atom](#)
- Reach out to staff in the [Grant Lab](#) to discuss a grant or funder
- Access proposal development [templates and guides](#)
- [Find a collaborator at NSU](#)
- Sign up for grantsmanship [trainings](#) to upgrade your grant seeking skills
- Get more guidance as a [new investigator](#) throughout the research life cycle

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