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NRC AWARDS NUCLEAR EDUCATION GRANTS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has awarded nearly \$20 million to 70 institutions to boost nuclear education and expand the workforce in nuclear and nuclear-related disciplines. Congress provided the NRC funding for a \$5 million Educational Curriculum program and an additional \$15 million to supplement the NRC's grant program for scholarships and fellowships, faculty development, trade schools, and community colleges, with \$5 million of this amount designated for the Integrated University Program. The Integrated University Program funds are coordinated and awarded through the NRC, Department of Energy, and National Nuclear Security Administration to support multi-year research projects that do not align with programmatic missions but are critical to maintaining nuclear engineering and science.

“As directed by the Congress, this funding provides broad benefits to the nuclear sector rather than solely benefitting the NRC. These grants help develop a workforce capable of the design, construction, operation and regulation of nuclear facilities and the safe handling of nuclear materials,” said NRC Chairman Gregory B. Jaczko. “This year the agency expanded the number of institutions receiving grants from 60 to 70, and increased the number of grants to minority serving institutions by 67 percent.”

The NRC awarded 102 grants for scholarships (2.9 million) fellowships (\$5.4 million), faculty development (\$4.8 million), trade and community college scholarships (\$1.8 million) and nuclear education and curriculum development (\$4.8 million). Recipients are located in 29 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Grant proposals were reviewed against specific criteria by a panel comprised of senior NRC staff and qualified outside reviewers. The panel composition was diverse with most reviewers having both experience reviewing proposals for government agencies and advanced credentials in nuclear engineering, health physics, radiochemistry and related disciplines. Each panelist had to certify that they did not have any conflicts of interest for the proposals they evaluated.

The contacts for more information on these grants are as follows: Technical questions should be directed to either John Gutteridge, at 301-492-2313, for the \$15 million program or Randi Neff, at 301-492-2301, for the \$5 million program. Both are in the Office of Human Resources. Administrative questions should be directed to Kathleen Shino, at 301-492-3636, in the Division of Contracts.

The list of grants follows; additional details will be posted on the NRC's Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/grants/awards.html>. In addition, a copy of the NRC Grant Award documents will be made available publicly in the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) through the NRC's Web site at www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. Help in using ADAMS is available from the NRC Public Document Room at 301-415-4737 or 1-800-397-4209.

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NRC GRANT AWARDS RECOMMENDED FISCAL YEAR 2009

Scholarship Grants

Alcorn State University Alcorn State, Mississippi	\$198,720
Bloomsburg University, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania	\$ 34,560
City University of New York City College, New York City, New York	\$200,000
Colorado School of Mines, Golden, Colorado	\$ 86,400
Francis Marion University Florence, South Carolina	\$152,833
Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia	\$200,000
Idaho State University, Pocatello, Idaho	\$178,673
Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana	\$200,000
North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina	\$179,268
Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon	\$129,600
Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana	\$194,400
South Carolina State University, Orangeburg, South Carolina	\$199,853
Texas A&M University – Kingsville, Kingsville, Texas	\$198,772
University of Illinois-Champaign-Urbana, Urbana, Illinois	\$200,000
University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico	\$198,952
University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina	\$ 59,826
University of Texas-Austin, Austin, Texas	\$ 97,498
Utah State University, Logan, Utah	<u>\$199,341</u>

TOTAL **\$2,908,696**

Fellowship Grants

Curators of the University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri	\$394,060
Duke University, Durham, North Carolina	\$ 59,144
North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina	\$381,436
Regents of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan	\$400,000
Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas	\$376,609
The Ohio State Research Foundation, Columbus, Ohio	\$308,709
The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania	\$400,000
The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee	\$400,000
University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland	\$399,107
University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico	\$375,969
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	\$400,000
University of Texas-Austin, Austin, Texas	\$388,118
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin	\$361,998
University Politecnica de Puerto Rico, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico	\$399,660
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, Blacksburg, Virginia	<u>\$399,948</u>

TOTAL **\$5,444,758**

Faculty Development Grants

City University of New York City College, New York City, New York	\$448,978
Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon	\$406,523
Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania	\$450,000
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York	\$450,000
University of California-Berkeley, Berkeley, California	\$450,000
University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida	\$450,000
University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland	\$345,000
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan	\$449,888
University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee	\$449,766
Utah State University, Logan, Utah	\$449,574
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia	\$450,000
TOTAL	\$4,799,729

Trade School and Community College Scholarships

Aiken Technical College, Graniteville, South Carolina	\$ 95,000
Brazosport College, Lake Jackson, Texas	\$102,000
Central Florida Community College, Ocala, Florida	\$ 67,000
Central Virginia Community College, Lynchburg, Virginia	\$149,830
Columbia Basin College, Pasco, Washington	\$120,000
Florence-Darlington Technical College, Florence, South Carolina	\$150,000
Idaho State University, Pocatello, Idaho	\$148,389
Lake Michigan College, Benton Harbor, Michigan	\$ 36,485
Lakeshore Technical College, Cleveland, Wisconsin	\$147,312
Linn State Technical College, Linn, Missouri	\$135,000
New Mexico Junior College, Hobbs, New Mexico	\$120,000
North Georgia Technical College, Clarksville, Georgia	\$119,000
Texas State Technical College, McLennan, Texas	\$149,688
Victoria County Junior College, Victoria, Texas	\$135,000
Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, Texas	\$150,000
TOTAL	\$1,824,704

Nuclear Education and Curriculum Development – Initial Grant

Alabama A&M University, Normal, Alabama	\$100,000
Clemson University, Clemson, South Carolina	\$ 89,151
Florence-Darlington Technical College, Florence, South Carolina	\$125,000
Florida Memorial University, Miami Gardens, Florida	\$110,000
Francis Marion University, Florence, South Carolina	\$103,211
Howard University, Washington, District of Columbia	\$125,000
Indian River State College, Fort Pierce, Florida	\$150,000
Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana	\$150,000
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts	\$125,000
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York	\$140,000
Roger Williams University, Bristol, Rhode Island	\$124,296
Texas A&M University-College Station, College Station, Texas	\$123,371
Texas State Technical College-Waco, Waco, Texas	\$ 93,456
The City College of New York, New York City, New York	\$145,000
The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania	\$ 90,000
University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio	\$150,000

University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, Missouri	\$105,294
University of Nevada-Las Vegas, Las Vegas, Nevada	\$144,962
University of Texas of the Permian Basin, Odessa, Texas	\$100,000
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin	\$140,000
Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Massachusetts	<u>\$124,903</u>
TOTAL	\$2,558,644

Nuclear Education and Curriculum Development – Second Year Funding

Catholic University, Washington, District of Columbia	\$120,000
Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia	\$100,000
Polytechnic Institute of New York University, New York City, New York	\$ 94,995
Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, New York	\$124,000
Texas A&M University-College Station, College Station, Texas	\$125,000
Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, Alabama	\$ 70,000
University of Puerto Rico-Mayaguez, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico	\$109,986
University of Rhode Island, Providence, Rhode Island	\$120,000
University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee	\$100,000
University of Texas-Austin, Austin, Texas	\$120,000
Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, Virginia	\$120,000
Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio	<u>\$120,000</u>
TOTAL	\$1,323,981

Nuclear Education and Curriculum Development – Third Year Funding

Alcorn State University, Alcorn State, Mississippi	\$100,000
Duke University, Durham, North Carolina	\$ 79,192
New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, New Mexico	\$100,000
Rutgers University, Newark, New Jersey	\$100,000
Southern Polytechnic State University, Marietta, Georgia	\$ 99,999
Texas Southern University, Houston, Texas	\$100,000
University of California-Berkeley, Berkeley, California	\$ 32,273
University of Denver, Denver, Colorado	\$ 50,000
University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois	\$ 75,000
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	<u>\$100,000</u>
TOTAL	\$836,464