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## FEATURED NEWS

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### Arthur Lupia to Lead NSF's Social Science Directorate

The National Science Foundation (NSF) has [announced](#) that it has selected Dr. Arthur "Skip" Lupia to serve as the next head of its [Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences Directorate](#) (SBE), following the expiration of Dr. Fay Lomax Cook's term. Dr. Lupia

is currently the Hal R. Varian Collegiate Professor of Political Science at the University of Michigan. He is also the chairman of the board for the Center for Open Science and the chair of the [National Academies Roundtable on the Communication and Use of Social and Behavioral Sciences](#). Dr. Lupia served on COSSA's Board of Directors in 2014 and participated in a panel discussion on "Reestablishing Trust in Social Science and Data" during COSSA's [2018 Science Policy Conference](#). His research interests include voting, elections, persuasion, opinion change, civic education, coalition governance, legislative-bureaucratic relationships, and decision-making under uncertainty.



*Dr. Lupia at COSSA's 2018 Science Policy Conference*

In a press release accompanying the announcement, NSF Director France Córdoba states, "Arthur Lupia takes leadership of a directorate whose research portfolio touches on major challenges our nation faces. Better understanding human behavior is important to improving cyber security and increasing resilience in the face of natural disasters like tornadoes, hurricanes, and broad ecological changes. The social sciences have made a profound contribution to the efficiency of markets, organ donations, and the safety of the skies and our inner cities. Dr. Lupia's outstanding ability as a communicator will be instrumental to making the value of the social sciences widely understood."

Dr. Lupia's term as Assistant Director for SBE will begin on September 1. COSSA congratulates him on his appointment and looks forward to working with him in his new role to continue to advance the social and behavioral sciences.

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## COSSA IN ACTION

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### Wendy Naus Discusses COSSA's Fight for Social Science Research with UK Publication

In an interview with the British publication [Research Features](#), COSSA Executive Director Wendy Naus discusses the current outlook for federal support of social and behavioral science in the U.S. and some of the challenges and opportunities facing advocates for this research. You can read the article [here](#).

### Letters & Statements

- 6/22/2018: [CNSF Statement on FY 2019 Senate CJS Appropriations](#)

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## CONGRESSIONAL NEWS

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### Senate Appropriations Committee Passes FY 2019 Labor, Health Human Services, Education Bill

On June 28, the full Senate Appropriations Committee approved its [fiscal year \(FY\) 2019 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies \(Labor-HHS\) Appropriations Bill](#); the Labor-HHS Subcommittee advanced the bill on June 26. This bill contains annual funding proposals for the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Education (ED), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), and Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), among other federal departments and agencies.

The [House Labor-HHS Subcommittee marked up its version of the bill](#) on June 15 and released

the bill text and accompanying report soon after; however, the full House Appropriations Committee has postponed its markup of the bill indefinitely due to reported disagreements on a number of policy issues in the bill. Therefore, this report simply summarizes the Senate's Labor-HHS proposals and does not make comparisons to the House levels.

### At a Glance...

- **The Senate bill includes a total of \$39.084 billion for NIH in FY 2019**, a \$2 billion increase over the FY 2018 level. If enacted, NIH will have received a total of \$9 billion in increases over the last four years, a 30 percent increase over that period.
- **The bill would allocate \$7.8 billion to the CDC**, a cut of about \$193 million compared to FY 2018, but more than \$2 billion above the amount proposed by the Administration.
- **The Senate bill includes \$334 million for AHRQ**, flat with the FY 2018 enacted level. The bill "does not support" the Administration's proposed consolidation of AHRQ as a new institute within the NIH.
- **Within the Department of Education, the Senate bill would provide \$615.5 million to IES**, which would be a 0.3 percent increase in funding compared to its FY 2018 appropriation and 18 percent above the FY 2019 funding request from the Administration.

The next step for the bill is consideration by the full Senate. It remains to be seen whether or how Senate leadership will proceed with the individual appropriations bills this year. Given the fast-approaching November midterm elections and other legislative priorities, not to mention the need to confirm a new Supreme Court Justice, it is increasingly likely that FY 2019 will begin under a continuing resolution (CR) on October 1, 2018.

[Read on](#) for COSSA's analysis of the Senate Appropriations Committee's proposals for the National Institutes of Health, Department of Education, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, and Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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## FEDERAL AGENCY & ADMINISTRATION NEWS

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### William Bryan Nominated to Lead DHS Science and Technology

William Bryan has been nominated by President Trump to serve as the [Under Secretary for Science and Technology at the Department of Homeland Security](#) (DHS). Bryan is currently the Senior Official Performing the Duties of the Under Secretary for Science and Technology. If confirmed, Bryan will serve as the science and technology advisor to the Secretary of Homeland Security and lead the research, development, innovation, and testing activities to support the department's operations and first responders across the country. Bryan is a U.S. Army veteran who has previously held leadership roles at the Departments of Energy and Defense and served as president of ValueBridge International's Energy Group. He holds a Master of Science in strategic intelligence and a Bachelor of Science in logistics systems management.

### Nomination Opportunities

- **NEW:** EPA: [Science Advisory Board and Standing Committees](#) (Closes: August 8, 2018)
- Census: [National Advisory Committee on Racial, Ethnic, and Other Populations](#) (Closes: August 3, 2018)
- CDC: [Board of Scientific Counselors, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health](#) (Closes: August 1, 2018)

### Funding Opportunities

- NIFA: [AFRI Foundational and Applied Science Program](#) (Closes: September 30, 2018)
- ED/OPE: [Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language Program](#) (Closes: July 26, 2018)

- CDC: [NIOSH Mentored Research Scientist Development Award \(K01\)](#) (Closes: July 19, 2018)
- CDC: [NIOSH Small Research Grant Program \(R03\)](#) (Closes: July 19, 2018)
- CDC: [NIOSH Exploratory/Developmental Grant Program \(R21\)](#) (Closes: July 19, 2018)

## Notices & Requests for Comment

- Census: [Comment Request: 2020 Census](#) (Closes: August 7, 2018)
- NEW: NIH/NIDA: [The HEALing Communities Study: Developing and Testing an Integrated Approach to Address the Opioid Crisis](#) (Closes: July 20, 2018)
- NEW: NIH: [Expiring Appropriations and What it Means for You](#)

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## COMMUNITY NEWS & REPORTS

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### Puerto Rico's Statistical Agency Spared from Reorganization (For Now)

Legislators in Puerto Rico have backed away from a plan to dismantle Puerto Rico's statistical agency, the Puerto Rico Institute of Statistics (PRIS). The proposal had been included in drafts of a government reorganization bill being considered by the commonwealth's Legislative Assembly; it would have moved the independent agency to the Department of Economic Development and Commerce and outsourced many of its activities to the private sector. COSSA joined a [letter](#) led by the American Statistical Association (ASA), a COSSA governing member, to call for PRIS to maintain its independence. The provision was ultimately removed in the final conferenced version of the legislation sent to Puerto Rico's governor for signature. However, the future of the Institute may not yet be secure; the legislature has promised to address issues related to PRIS in a future session. More information is available on [ASA's website](#).

### International Natural and Social Science Bodies Merge to Form "International Science Council"

Two international science organizations, the International Council for Science and the International Social Science Council, have merged to form the [International Science Council](#) (ISC), whose mission is to "act as the global voice for science." ISC's membership consists of international scientific unions and associations and over 140 national and regional scientific organizations (including the U.S. National Academy of Sciences). In an opening address at ISC's [inaugural General Assembly](#) in Paris, Catherine Brechignac, Secretaire Perpetuel of the French Academy of Sciences (a past president of the natural science-focused International Council for Science) said that the merging of the two organizations reflects that "social sciences should be at least as important" as natural sciences in setting the global research agenda. More information about the new organization is available on the [ISC website](#).

### Nomination Opportunities

- NEW: AAAS: [Scientific Freedom and Responsibility Award](#) (Closes: August 1, 2018)
- NEW: AAAS: [Science Diplomacy Award](#) (Closes: August 1, 2018)
- NEW: AAAS: [Award for Public Engagement with Science](#) (Closes: August 1, 2018)
- NEW: AAAS: [Early Career Award for Public Engagement with Science](#) (Closes: August 1, 2018)

### Funding Opportunities

- NEW: WhatsApp: [Research Awards for Social Science and Misinformation](#) (Closes: August 12, 2018)

## Recent Reports

- **NEW:** NASEM: [Returning Individual Research Results to Participants: Guidance for a New Research Paradigm](#)
- **NEW:** NASEM: [The Next Generation of Biomedical and Behavioral Sciences Researchers](#)
- **NEW:** NASEM: [Workforce Development and Intelligence Analysis for National Security Purposes](#)

## Open Positions

- NASEM: [Senior Program Officer \(social sciences\) - Gulf Research Program](#)

## Fellowships & Professional Development

- **NEW:** Research!America: [Bipartisan Candidate Engagement Initiative](#) (Closes: July 13, 2018)
- NASEM: [Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program](#) (Closes: September 7, 2018)

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

- [Momentum Shift: How the Millennial Generation Is Reshaping America](#), July 16, 2018, Washington, DC
- [Joint Statistical Meetings](#), July 28-August 2, 2018, Vancouver, Canada
- [American Psychological Association Annual Convention](#), August 9-12, 2018, San Francisco, CA
- [American Sociological Association Annual Meeting](#), August 11-14, 2018, Philadelphia, PA
- [American Political Science Association Annual Meeting & Exhibition](#), August 31-September 2, 2018, Boston, MA
- [Golden Goose Award Ceremony and Reception](#), September 13, 2018, Washington, DC

A list of COSSA members' annual meetings and other events can be found on the COSSA [events page](#). COSSA members who have an upcoming event they would like to see listed in the Events Calendar and on our website should send an email to [jmilton@coffa.org](mailto:jmilton@coffa.org).

## Consortium of Social Science Associations Members

### Governing Associations

American Anthropological Association  
American Association for Public Opinion Research  
American Economic Association  
American Educational Research Association  
American Political Science Association  
American Psychological Association  
American Society of Criminology  
American Sociological Association  
American Statistical Association  
Association of American Law Schools  
Law and Society Association  
Linguistic Society of America

### Colleges and Universities

Arizona State University  
Boston University  
Brown University  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Columbia University  
Cornell University  
Duke University  
Fielding Graduate University  
George Mason University  
Georgetown University  
Harvard University  
Indiana University  
John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY

Midwest Political Science Association  
National Communication Association  
Population Association of America  
Society for Personality and Social Psychology  
Society for Research in Child Development

## Membership Organizations

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences  
African Studies Association  
American Association of Geographers  
American Council of Learned Societies  
American Evaluation Association  
American Historical Association  
American Psychosomatic Society  
Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies  
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management  
Association of Academic Survey Research Organizations  
Association of Research Libraries  
Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences  
Council on Social Work Education  
Economic History Association  
History of Science Society  
Midwest Sociological Society  
National Association of Social Workers  
National Council on Family Relations  
North American Regional Science Council  
Rural Sociological Society  
Social Science History Association  
Society for Prevention Research  
Society for Research on Adolescence  
Society for Social Work and Research  
Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues  
Society of Behavioral Medicine  
Southern Political Science Association  
Southern Sociological Society  
Southwestern Social Science Association

Johns Hopkins University  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Michigan State University  
New York University  
North Carolina State University  
Northwestern University  
Ohio State University, The  
Pennsylvania State University  
Princeton University  
Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey  
Stanford University  
Texas A&M University  
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University of California, Irvine  
University of California, Los Angeles  
University of California, Santa Barbara  
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University of Georgia  
University of Illinois  
University of Iowa  
University of Maryland  
University of Michigan  
University of Minnesota  
University of Nebraska, Lincoln  
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
University of Oklahoma  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Texas, Austin  
University of Texas, San Antonio  
University of Virginia  
University of Washington  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Virginia Tech  
West Virginia University  
Yale University

## Centers and Institutes

American Academy of Arts and Sciences  
American Academy of Political and Social Science  
Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences  
Cornell Institute for Social and Economic Research  
Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan  
Institute for Social Science Research,  
University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
NORC at the University of Chicago  
RTI International  
Social Science Research Council

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*The Consortium of Social Science Associations (COSSA) is a nonprofit advocacy organization working to promote sustainable federal funding for and widespread use of social and behavioral science research and federal policies that positively impact the conduct of research. COSSA serves as a united voice for a broad, diverse network of organizations, institutions, communities, and stakeholders who care about a successful and vibrant social science research enterprise. The COSSA membership includes professional and disciplinary associations, scientific societies, research centers and institutes, and U.S. colleges and universities.*

