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## Featured News

### NIH to Host 2022 Behavioral and Social Sciences Research Festival

The Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research (OBSSR) within the National Institutes of Health (NIH) will be holding the 2022 NIH Behavioral and Social Sciences Research Festival next month on December 8 and 9. The festival, held annually by OBSSR and the NIH Behavioral and Social Sciences Research Coordinating Committee (BSSR-CC), features panel discussions on recent social science research results, growing areas, and innovations in the field of health-related BSSR. This year, the festival will focus on social connection, mental and emotional health, social determinants of health, and measurement in BSSR. The keynote address will be delivered by Richard Woychik, Ph.D.,

## New from COSSA

### COSSA Featured in Practical Significance Podcast

COSSA Executive Director Wendy Naus was featured in the latest episode of the American Statistical Association (ASA) podcast, [Practical Significance](#) (the ASA is a COSSA governing member). Naus discusses COSSA's efforts to promote the social, behavioral, and statistical sciences to policymakers and ways that researchers can engage in the advocacy process. Check out the episode on the [ASA website](#) or wherever you get your podcasts.

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## Congressional News

### VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!

It's election day in America and the balance of power in the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate is up for grabs, not to mention the countless state and local races that promise to have lasting impact. COSSA is closely monitoring the results of the elections and will be providing an analysis in the coming days, including what the results could mean for funding and policy for social and behavioral science research. In the meantime, COSSA urges all registered voters to exercise their fundamental right and vote!

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## Executive Branch News

### NSF Announces Name Change of Education Directorate

On October 25, the National Science Foundation (NSF) [announced](#) that the Directorate for Education and Human Resources (EHR) had been renamed to the Directorate for STEM Education (EDU) in an effort to more accurately reflect the directorate's portfolio and focus. In addition, the Division of Human Resource Development within the Directorate has been renamed the Division of Equity for Excellence in STEM (EES). The name changes were initially proposed in the President's [FY 2023 budget request](#) to Congress.

The newly named EDU Directorate, which funds education research grants and career development opportunities for scientists, reportedly will not have its portfolio or core programs meaningfully changed. The EES Division will similarly retain its function in broadening participation of historically underrepresented communities in STEM. More information is available in the [NSF announcement](#).

### NSF to Consider Proposals on Reproducibility and Replicability in Science

On October 25, the National Science Foundation (NSF) released a [Dear Colleague Letter](#) reaffirming the agency's commitment to the findings of a 2019 report from the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM) titled [Reproducibility and Replicability in Science](#). This report was aimed at providing clear research practices and guidelines to recreate scientific results through multiple research methods and to identify ways to improve public confidence in scientific findings ([see previous COSSA coverage](#)). In addition, the NSF letter notes that the agency may be interested in funding proposals for research addressing reproducibility and replicability in science. NSF is especially interested in proposals on advancing the science of reproducibility and replicability, research infrastructure for reproducibility and replicability, and educational efforts to build a

scientific culture that supports reproducibility and replicability. More information is available in the [NSF letter](#).

## National Board for Education Sciences Appointments Announced

President Biden has [announced](#) 15 appointments to the National Board for Education Sciences (NBES) within the Institute of Education Sciences (IES). NBES is [responsible](#) for advising the Director of IES to ensure that the institutes priorities are consistent with its mission. NBES is also responsible for strengthening procedures for technical and scientific peer review, presenting recommendations to strengthen education research, soliciting advice and information from the field, and ensuring IES is compliant with the Education Sciences Reform Act. NBES has not held a [meeting](#) since the end of the Obama Administration in 2016. For more information on appointments, please refer to the White House [announcement](#).

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## Science Community News

### DBASSE Celebrates 60 Years and Looks to the Future

On October 13, the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine held a symposium celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education (DBASSE). During the two-day event, presenters revisited some of the Division's most notable activities and reports, such as the [Societal Experts Action Network](#) (SEAN) and the report on [Reproducibility and Replicability in Science](#), to name a few. Later, speakers explored some of the topics that could dominate in the years ahead and how social science can contribute. In the words of former Director of the National Science Foundation Rita Colwell, "This is the age of the social sciences;" she called for better incorporation of the social, behavioral, and economic sciences at the outset of studies in the natural or physical sciences. Other topics identified for future attention include issues of equity, access to and safeguarding of data, global change, trust in and effective communication of science, and technology's impact on the future. A recording of the symposium is available [here](#).

### CNSTAT Nominations for Workshop on Improving Measurement of Death by Suicide of Law Enforcement Officers

The Committee on National Statistics (CNSTAT) within the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Statistics is calling for nominations for members of an organizing committee to create a public workshop on strategies to measure death by suicide of law enforcement and correctional officers. CNSTAT is seeking experts in criminal justice research and statistics, mental health and occupational health, administrative data, and integrating federal, state, tribal, and local government data systems. They are also seeking law enforcement and correctional officers for the event. [Nominations](#) will close on November 10, 2022.

## Resources & Opportunities

### COSSA Letters & Statements

- 10/27/2022: [Coalition for National Science Funding Letter Urging the Administration to Request \\$15.65 billion for the National Science Foundation in FY 2024](#)
- 10/27/2022: [Coalition for National Science Funding Letter to Congress on Finalizing FY 2023 Appropriations for the National Science Foundation](#)

### Nomination Opportunities

- [Golden Goose Award](#) (Closes: December 16, 2022)

- [SAGE-CASBS Award](#) (Closes: December 9, 2022)
- **NEW:** NASEM/CNSTAT: [Call for Nominations: Approaches to Improving the Measurement of Death by Suicide of Law Enforcement Officers in the United States: A Workshop](#) (Closes: November 10, 2022)

## Funding Opportunities

- NSF: [Expanding AI Innovation through Capacity Building and Partnerships](#) (Opens: January 9, 2023) (Closes: March 13, 2023)
- NSF: [Experiential Learning for Emerging and Novel Technologies \(ExLENT\)](#) (Closes: March 2, 2023)
- NSF/SBE: [Biological Anthropology Program Senior Research Awards](#) (Opens: January 16, 2023) (Closes: January 26, 2023)
- NIH/Common Fund: [Community Partnerships to Advance Science for Society \(ComPASS\) Program: Community-Led, Health Equity Structural Intervention Initiative \(OT2\)](#) (Letter of Intent due: November 18, 2022) Closes: January 23, 2023)
- NIH: [HEAL Initiative: Preventing Opioid Misuse and Co-Occurring Conditions by Intervening on Social Determinants \(R01 - Clinical Trials Optional\)](#) (Opens: January 2, 2023) (Closes: February 2, 2023)

## Requests for Comment & Calls for Papers

- **NEW:** OSTP: [Request for Information: Clinical Research Infrastructure and Emergency Clinical Trials](#) (Closes: December 27, 2022)
- MPESA: [Call for Proposals: Annual Conference Subfields, Undergraduate Sections and Working Groups](#) (Closes: December 2, 2022)
- DOC / Census: [Soliciting Input or Suggestions on 2030 Census Preliminary Research](#) (Closes: November 15, 2022)
- NIH/OBSSR: [Request for Information \(RFI\) on the Office of Behavioral and Social Science Research Strategic Plan 2023-2028](#) (Closes: November 14, 2022)

## Notices, Resources, & Reports

- **NEW:** NSF: [Dear Colleague Letter: Reproducibility and Replicability in Science](#)

## Open Positions, Fellowships, & Professional Development Opportunities

- **NEW:** SRCD: [2023-2024 State Policy Post-doctoral Fellowship Program](#) (Closes: January 23, 2023)
- **NEW:** SRCD: [2023-2024 Federal Policy Fellowship Program](#) (Closes: January 4, 2023)
- **NEW:** NSF/TIP: [Apply for Openings at the TIP Directorate](#)
- NSF/TIP: [Activate Fellowship](#) (rolling deadline)
- SRCD: [Director for Policy](#) (rolling deadline)

## Upcoming Events

- [American Evaluation Association Annual Evaluation Conference](#), November 7-13, 2022, New Orleans, LA
- [American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting](#), November 9-13, 2022, Washington, DC
- [NASEM Workshop: Crime Rates during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#), November 10, 2022
- [American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting](#), November 16-19, 2022, Atlanta, GA
- [National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference](#), November 16-19, 2022, Minneapolis, MN
- [COSSA Headlines & Deep Dive on the 2022 Election, November 17, 2022](#)
- [Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference](#), November 17-19, 2022 Washington, DC
- [African Studies Association Annual Meeting](#), November 17-19, 2022, Philadelphia,

PA

- [Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention](#), November 17-20, 2022, New York City, NY
- [National Communication Association Annual Convention](#), November 17-20, 2022, New Orleans, LA
- [History of Science Society Annual Meeting](#), November 17-20, 2022, Chicago, IL
- [NIH Behavioral and Social Sciences Research Festival](#), December 8-9, 2022

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 [bgoodrich@coсса.org](mailto:bgoodrich@coсса.org).

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## COSSA 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  
Law and Society Association  
Linguistic Society of America  
Midwest Political Science 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  
Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies  
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management  
Association of Academic Survey Research Organizations  
Association of American Law Schools  
Association of Research Libraries  
Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences  
Division for Research of the Council for Exceptional Children  
Economic History Association  
History of Science Society  
Midwest Sociological Society  
National Association of Social Workers  
National Communication Association  
National Council on Family Relations  
Rural Sociological Society

### Colleges and Universities

Boston University  
Brown University  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Case Western Reserve University  
Columbia University  
Cornell University  
Duke University  
George Mason University  
Georgetown University  
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Michigan State University  
North Carolina State University  
Northwestern University  
Ohio State University, The  
Pennsylvania State University  
Princeton University  
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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 Pennsylvania  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Texas, Austin  
University of Virginia  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Virginia Tech  
Yale University

### Centers and Institutes

Social Science History Association  
Society for Personality Assessment  
Society for Prevention Research  
Society for Research on Adolescence  
Society for Social Work and Research  
Society for the Psychological Study of  
Social Issues  
Southern Political Science Association  
Southwestern Social Science Association

### **Affiliates**

SAGE Publishing  
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Science  
Center for Advanced Study in the  
Behavioral Sciences  
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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### **About COSSA**

*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  
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and disciplinary associations, scientific  
societies, research centers and institutes,  
and U.S. colleges and universities.*

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