Grant Writing Workshop

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The Concept Paper

Deciding What to Do:

- **Step 1**: Based on your expertise, your interests, your experience, and funding sources available
- **Step 2**: Conceptualizing your project
The Literature Search

- Find and thoroughly examine published research.
- Do the research findings add new information?
- Study the theoretical frameworks, sampling techniques, and research methods used.
- How were the findings discussed in the context of related literature?
- What are the recommendations for further research?
- Use bibliographies to further assist your search.
Grantsmanship

- Grant writing guides on the Internet
- Start researching your project now
- Begin your grant writing
- Watch for agency priorities
- Information grant announcements provide
- Finding the grant announcement
- Thoroughly review the grant announcement
- Increasing your chances of funding success
- Common proposal weaknesses
Funding Resources

- Education and Disability Resources
  - Associations and Organizations
  - National Clearinghouses & Other Centers
  - Federal Government Resources
    US DEPT EDUCATION
    US DEPT HEALTH & HUMAN RESOURCES
    - LISTSERVES & NEWSGROUPS
      Join EdInfo, Listserves, and Newsgroups
Stay Up-to-Date on Grant Opportunities

- US Department of Education (DOE)
- Federal Grant Pages Free E-mail updates
- Foundations
- Other Resources
- Small Grants
Search Sites on CMSE Online

- Search ERIC
- ERIC Digests
- ERIC Wizard
- AERA Publications
- Alta Vista
- Lycos
- Yahoo
- Library of Congress
Minority Resources

- Minority Resources
- African American
- American Indian
- Asian American
- Hispanic/Latin American
- Language Minority
- Other Resources
Databases Online

- US DOE
  - Office of Civil Rights
  - OSERS (Twenty-first Annual Report to Congress)
- Bureau of Labor Statistics
- Census Information
- FEDSTATS