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## **NSF REPORT SHOWS FEDERAL FUNDING FOR ACADEMIC RESEARCH DECLINING**

A new report from the National Science Foundation indicates that federal spending for academic science and engineering research and development, after adjusting for inflation, declined for the second year in a row. According to the NSF announcement, "a two-year decline in federal funding in constant dollars is unprecedented for this 35 year data series." While the federal government's share of academic science and engineering R&D funding dropped from 64% in FY 2005 to 62% in FY 2007, funding from non-federal sources has grown. In FY 2007 alone, industry funding jumped 11.2%, state and local government funding increased by 6.1%, and funding by academic institutions grew by 6.6%. The data were collected under NSF's Survey of Research and Development Expenditures at Universities and Colleges.

[Visit NSF's website for a detailed report, including a breakdown by fields and federal agency](#)

## **PSYCHOLOGIST TO SPEAK AT NIH SYMPOSIUM HONORING PIONEER AWARD RECIPIENTS**

Lisa Feldman Barrett, recipient of a 2007 NIH Director's Pioneer Award and recent Federation Council Member, will describe her research on emotion at the upcoming NIH Director's Pioneer Award Symposium on September 22-23, 2008 at the Natcher Conference Center on the NIH campus. The NIH Director's Pioneer and New Innovator Award programs are designed to "support exceptionally creative scientists who take highly innovative, and potentially transformative, approaches to major challenges in biomedical and behavioral research." Barrett's work integrates neuroscience, social psychology, psychophysiology, and cognitive science. The Pioneer Awards provide up to \$500,000 direct costs per year for five years.

[Complete symposium agenda](#)

[Watch a videocast of the symposium](#)

## **BOWER HONORED IN FABBS' PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTING SCIENTISTS**

Gordon Bower, PhD, the Albert Ray Lang Professor, Emeritus, at Stanford University, is featured in the FABBS program which honors outstanding individuals. Dr. Robert Sternberg

(Tufts University) nominated Bower for this honor and contacted colleagues and friends to contribute to this effort. Bower has been a leader and innovator for nearly 45 years in theoretical contributions and laboratory studies of human memory and learning, with his contributions spanning several fields of psychology. He has received many professional honorary awards including the United States President's National Medal of Science.

Congratulations to Gordon Bower on this honor.  
[Learn more about Bower's career and contributions](#)

[View the gallery of scientists who have previously been honored in this way](#)

## **FABBS HOSTS SCIENCE CAFÉ - "THE SCIENCE OF COUNTERING TERRORISM: PSYCHOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES" AT NEWSEUM**

The Foundation for the Advancement of Behavioral and Brain Sciences (FABBS) is pleased to announce its next Science Café, open to the public, entitled "**The Science of Countering Terrorism: Psychological Perspectives**" which will feature presentations by Professors [Fathali Moghaddam](#) (Georgetown University) and [Ian McGregor](#) (York University). Both will describe psychological research on extremist behavior. The Café will be held at the Knight Conference Center of the Newseum in DC; however, admittance requires an RSVP. Thanks to Sage Publications for sponsoring this event.

**If you are interested in attending this Café, please RSVP directly to Steven Schwark at [sschwark@fabbs.org](mailto:sschwark@fabbs.org) and include your full name, email address, and number of seats you would like to reserve.**

[Learn more about the topics to be discussed at this Café](#)

[Download a PDF invitation flyer for this Café](#)

## **NAKAMURA TO BECOME SCIENTIFIC DIRECTOR FOR NIMH INTRAMURAL PROGRAMS**

Richard Nakamura, Deputy Director of NIMH since 1997 and NIMH Acting Director from 2001-2002, has been appointed to the position of Scientific Director for NIMH's Division of Intramural Research Program after a national search. In total, he has spent 22 years at NIMH, starting as a postdoctoral fellow in the intramural Laboratory of Neuropsychology and rising to become the Chief of the Behavioral and Integrative Neuroscience Research Branch and later the Associate Director of Science Policy and Program Planning, before assuming his more recent posts. Nakamura will take on this new role at the end of September 2008.

## **FABBS PARTICIPATES IN COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN (CFC)**

The Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is the annual fundraising drive conducted by Federal employees in their workplace each fall. For the first time, the Foundation for the Advancement of Behavioral and Brain Sciences (FABBS) is part of the Combined Federal Campaign of the National Capitol Area (CFCNCA), the largest of the more than 300 independent geographic campaigns.

If you are a Federal employee working in the Washington, DC, metropolitan area and are eligible to donate through the CFCNCA, you will find FABBS listed in this year's "Catalog of Caring" in print or online at <http://www.cfcnca.org/CatalogOfCaring>.

Last year, Federal employees and military personnel raised \$273.1 million through the CFC that benefited thousands of not-for-profit charities. The employees of the National Institutes of Health donated more than \$1,000,000 of this total, becoming one of the top most-giving agencies within

the government that year.

Please be generous and help support the behavioral, psychological, and cognitive sciences through your contributions this fall.

**The open season for giving in the 2008 CFCNCA is from September 1, 2008 through December 15, 2008 and FABBS' assigned designation number is #22959.**

[Learn more about how to donate to FABBS through the CFCNCA](#)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### ***Recent Notices***

[Notice of Deadline Extension for Request for Information Soliciting Input on Emerging Capabilities for Non-Invasive Imaging of Brain Structure and Function \(Neuroscience Blueprint\)](#)

[NIH Announces the Posting of a Web-based Tutorial on Financial Conflict of Interest Requirements for All NIH-Supported Institutions](#)

[Request for Information \(RFI\): Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee Draft Strategic Plan for Autism Spectrum Disorder \(ASD\) Research is Available for Comment](#)

[Change in Allowable Requested Budget Levels of Renewal \(Type 2\) R01, U01, and P01 Applications for the National Cancer Institute](#)

[Online Technical Assistance Meeting for Applications to: PAR-08-224 – Using Systems Science Methodologies to Protect and Improve Population Health \(R21\)](#)

### ***Funding Opportunities***

#### **NIH**

[Social Neuroscience of Aging](#)

[Methodology and Measurement in the Behavioral and Social Sciences \(R01\)](#)

[Research on Interventions that Promote Research Careers \(R01\)](#)

[Neural and Behavioral Profiles of Cognitive Aging \(R01\)](#)

[Innovative Computational and Statistical Methodologies for the Design and Analysis of Multilevel Studies on Childhood Obesity \(R01\)](#)

[Archiving and Development of Socialbehavioral Datasets in Aging Related Studies \(R03\)](#)

[Drug Abuse Prevention Intervention Research \(R01; R21 ad R03 also available\)](#)

[Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health \(R01\)](#)

[Using Systems Science Methodologies to Protect and Improve Population Health \(R21\)](#)

[Reducing Risk Behaviors by Promoting Positive Youth Development \(R01; R03 also available\)](#)

[Research on Causal Factors and Interventions that Promote and Support the Careers of Women in Biomedical and Behavioral Science and Engineering \(R01\)](#)

[Impact of Health Communication Strategies on Dietary Behaviors \(R01; R21 also available\)](#)

[Fogarty International Research Collaboration – Behavioral and Social Sciences \(FIRCA-BSS\) Research Award \(R03\)](#)

## **NSF**

[Science and Technology Centers: Integrative Partnerships](#)

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[Social and Behavioral Dimensions of National Security, Conflict, and Cooperation](#)

[Social Psychology](#)

## **NASA**

[Research and Technology Development to Support Crew Health and Performance in Space Exploration Missions](#)

### ***Other Meetings of Interest***

[2nd Annual NIH Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation: Building Research Capacity to Bridge the Gap From Science to Service](#)

[Challenges and Tensions in International Research Collaborations](#)

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## **FEDERATION SOCIETIES' UPCOMING ANNUAL MEETINGS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2008**

### **SEPTEMBER**

#### **HUMAN FACTORS AND ERGONOMICS SOCIETY**

New York, NY: September 22 - 26

[www.hfes.org](http://www.hfes.org)

**SOCIETY FOR RESEARCH IN PSYCHOPATHOLOGY**

Pittsburgh, PA: September 25 - 28

[www.psychopathology.org](http://www.psychopathology.org)

***OCTOBER***

**SOCIETY FOR PSYCHOPHYSIOLOGICAL RESEARCH**

Austin, TX: October 1 - 5

[www.sprweb.org](http://www.sprweb.org)

**NATIONAL ACADEMY OF NEUROPSYCHOLOGY**

New York, NY: October 22 - 25

[www.nanonline.org](http://www.nanonline.org)

**SOCIETY FOR EXPERIMENTAL SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY**

Sacramento, CA: October 24 - 25

[www.sesp.org](http://www.sesp.org)

***NOVEMBER***

**INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOBIOLOGY**

Washington, DC: November 12 - 15

[www.isdp.org](http://www.isdp.org)

**PSYCHONOMIC SOCIETY**

Chicago, IL: November 13 - 16

[www.psychonomic.org](http://www.psychonomic.org)

**SOCIETY FOR JUDGMENT AND DECISION MAKING**

Chicago, IL: November 22 - 24

[www.sjdm.org](http://www.sjdm.org)

**SOCIETY FOR COMPUTERS IN PSYCHOLOGY**

Chicago, IL: November 13

<http://home.scip.ws>

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**PLEASE SUPPORT THE BEHAVIORAL & BRAIN SCIENCES**

The [Foundation for the Advancement of Behavioral and Brain Sciences \(FABBS\)](http://www.fabbs.org) is an educational, non-profit organization established to promote and enhance understanding of the behavioral, psychological, cognitive, and brain sciences. Created to take over a substantial part of the educational mission of the Federation of Behavioral, Psychological, and Cognitive Sciences on behalf of its constituent sciences, FABBS focuses its efforts in three directions. One is to educate the public about the contributions of these important fields to the well-being of individuals and society. A second is to educate Congressional staff and others in the Federal Government about our sciences (as distinct from lobbying them, which is the sole purview of the Federation). The third is to facilitate productive dialogue between scientists and relevant stakeholders in the public and private sector on topics at the intersection of science and public policy, such as human subject protections and new but risky scientific directions. We urge you to respond generously. The President of FABBS is Susan Fiske (Princeton University).

Please visit: <http://www.fabbs.org>

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