



APLU FY2011 APPROPRIATIONS PRIORITIES LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES

ABOUT THE ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC AND LAND-GRANT UNIVERSITIES

Founded in 1887, the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (A•P•L•U) is an association of public research universities, land-grant institutions, and many state public university systems.

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As the nation's oldest higher education association, APLU is dedicated to excellence in learning, discovery and engagement. For more information, visit www.aplu.org (Formerly known as NASULGC).

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STUDENT AID PROGRAMS

Pell Grant Program

APLU Request: \$5,710 for the maximum award

(PBR = \$5,710; FY2010 = \$5,550; FY2009 = \$5,350)

The Federal Pell Grant Program provides need-based grants to financially disadvantaged students - the foundation of low-income students' aid packages, to which other forms of aid are added. The Pell program is the largest federal source of college aid to students, with over 25 percent of undergraduate students receiving Pell Grants. APLU strongly supports at least the Administration's request of \$5,710 for the maximum Pell award.

Jacob Javits Fellowship Program

APLU Request: \$16 million

(PBR = \$9.6M; FY2010 = \$9.6M; FY2009 = \$9.6M)

The Javits Fellowship program recognizes superior academic ability and is the only federal program that supports graduate students in the humanities and arts. Funding the Javits program at \$16 million would support 125 new fellows, and begin an expansion of the program to 200 new fellows annually - the original intended size of the program - by 2013.

Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need (GAANN)

APLU Request: \$41 million

(PBR = \$31M; FY2010 = \$31M; FY2009 = \$31M)

The GAANN program strengthens U.S. economic competitiveness by supporting graduate student traineeships in critical fields of study. Without an increase over current levels, there will be no award competition in FY11. An appropriation of \$41 million would support 20 new awards, and begin an effort to ensure consistent, annual award-making, reaching 75 new awards annually starting in 2012.

OTHER STUDENT AID REQUESTS

- **Federal Work Study: \$1.28 Billion**
- **Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG): \$1 billion**
- **TRIO Programs: \$1 billion**
- **Gaining Early Awareness & Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) : \$400 million**

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

APLU Request: \$32.165 billion

(PBR = \$32.165B; FY2010 = \$31.168B; FY2009 = \$30.3B)

APLU strongly supports at least a 3.2% increase for the NIH over FY2010, the level included in the Administration's budget. The nation's primary agency for supporting biomedical research, the NIH competitively awards grants to scientists at APLU universities in all 50 states as well as many other institutions across the country and world. This funding would allow the NIH to continue to educate the next generation of scientists and fund leading-edge research with the goals of improving health and saving lives through medical discovery and scientific leadership.