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Lyle M. Spencer

In 1938, while a graduate student in sociology at the University of Chicago, Lyle M. Spencer founded Science Research Associates, which eventually became one of the country's leading publishers of educational tests, guidance programs, and curriculum materials. Lyle Spencer served as president of SRA from its founding until his death in 1968.

Lyle Spencer established the foundation that bears his name in 1962, with the mandate of investigating ways in which education, broadly conceived, might be improved around the world. The Foundation received its major endowment in 1968 following the founder's death. Since that time, it has authorized grants totaling approximately \$248.2 million. Its assets as of March 31, 2000, were \$593.3 million.

THE PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Patricia Albjerg Graham

These comments are my last as presi-**▲** dent of the Spencer Foundation from which I will retire on June 30, 2000. Since I was named president in January 1991, after Lawrence A. Cremin's sudden death in September 1990, I have had the immense privilege of working with some of the finest researchers in education and supporting their work with the Foundation's funds. I am enormously appreciative of the opportunity presented to me. I am confident that the distinguished historian of education, Ellen Condliffe Lagemann, who will assume the presidency of the Foundation in September 2000, will find the responsibilities as rewarding as I have and that she will provide outstanding leadership.

As our founder, Lyle Spencer, advised us in his notes on the creation of the Foundation, we "tend to bet on people even more than the project itself." In following this guidance during the last decade we have focused substantially on individuals beginning their careers in educational research. Hence, we have concentrated the resources that have come to us from the rising stock market on programs of fellowships: for recent postdoctoral recipients, for dissertation fellows, and for doctoral students in education and in education-related fields. The wisdom of those decisions will be revealed by the future productivity of these fellows as scholars, teachers, and contributors to the education community. The evidence accumulated thus far is that these recipients include many of the rising leaders of educational research, and the Foundation basks in their reflected glory.

On the whole the Foundation has also "bet on people even more than the project itself" by relying heavily in our grant making on proposals from the field, rather than ourselves designing "requests for proposals." We have confidence that active researchers are more knowledgeable than staff in our lovely offices 39 floors above Michigan Avenue about what research needs to be done and how it should be conducted. We also depend significantly upon guidance from accomplished researchers for peer review of proposals.

Committed as we are to the wisdom of the research community, we have on our own initiative identified several geographic regions for special attention. The first is our home city of Chicago, where we have expanded a bit of our definition of "research" to include selected educational reform and dissemination projects, as well as traditional research. We feel a particular obligation to be helpful to the city that supports us, particularly as it wrestles in an imaginative manner with urban school reform. Secondly, we have pursued an initiative in the southern section of the United States where our previous efforts at outreach had yielded significantly fewer results of successful funding of educational research. During the past three years our vice president, John Williams, has spent considerable time and effort seeking appropriate funding opportunities in the South, where severe educational problems persist, but new means of alleviating them are emerging. Finally, we have extended our domestic efforts in fellowship and research training grant programs to prepare the next generation of educational researchers and leaders to two nations, Russia and South Africa, undergoing pro-

The President's **Comments**

found political transformations with con-research we fund will not answer definicomitant educational changes. Lauren tively or in the short-run all questions Jones Young has led this effort in which we have worked collaboratively with several Ours will be an ongoing investigation, other U.S. foundations.

A perplexity that continues to challenge us is understanding the dynamics of educational practice. We have initiated several different efforts over the last decade to increase knowledge about how and why students learn, teachers teach, and administrators enable or hinder. We have supported studies that focus on school learning, others that concentrate on acquisition of knowledge in non-school settings, and many that combine the two. We have encouraged research from practitioners and traditional researchers, as well as combined teams of both. As we predicted when we began this focus, responding to strong encouragement from the field, the President

about the nuances of educational practice. immensely richer in capturing the reality of learning than earlier research of previous decades that attempted to explain learning isolated from the contexts in which it occurs. Much remains to be done in educational research, and I am delighted that my colleagues at the Spencer Foundation under the leadership of Ellen Lagemann will have the opportunity to continue this fine and important work.

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Patricia Albjerg Graham

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

John B. Williams, III

In the fiscal year ending March 31, 2000, the Foundation approved new grants and fellowships totaling \$24.5 million. It made grant payments totaling \$25.9 million; 52 percent of the new grant awards were for research, 19 percent for fellowship programs, 8 percent for training programs, and 21 percent for other Foundation initiatives. These authorizations and payments were allocated to the programs described on pp. 20-45 of this report. Total grantmaking increased slightly from \$19.7 million in FY 1998 to \$22 million in FY 1999 to \$24.5 million in FY2000.

Pleased to contribute added resources to the Foundation's important goal of enhancing education research, we have adopted a measured approach to expansion which involves both increasing awards in existing programs and establishing new programs to meet new needs. Fiscal year 2000 constituted a period of full implementation of new programs begun during the previous two years. We are pleased with the response of the nation's research community to our new funding programs-Research on School Reform, Conference Grants, Southern Initiative, and Advanced Studies Fellowships - and fully expect to achieve the goals we established in initiating them.

The overall grant-making approach of the Foundation remains one of responding to ideas emerging from communities of scholars and researchers concerned with education topics. Reflecting this strategy, a wide range of very important research issues and topics are addressed throughout the grant awards reported on pp. 20-45 of this annual report. The Foundation also continues to rely upon peer review mecha-

nisms to reach decisions about individual proposals and upon advisory committees for more general assistance in formulating, planning, and assessing grant and fellowship programs. Consistent and reliable cooperation from expert scholars and researchers from the many different fields and disciplines we support enables the Foundation's "field initiated" strategy to work very successfully. We also continue to rely upon the wisdom and leadership of our Board of Directors for charting a future course for the Foundation and establishing policies for day-to-day operations.

Among the Foundation's many accomplishments over the past year, a few stand out. We awarded \$750,000 to the University of Cape Town in South Africa for graduate student fellowships, and we anticipate a similar grant to the European University at St. Petersburg in Russia, enabling leaders and faculty of these two institutions to inaugurate new Ph.D. curricula and postdoctoral programs for the creation of new generations of researchers on education during these nations' critical transition into newer democratic forms of government. Our Southern Initiative has resulted in the establishment of locally initiated, interdisciplinary, inter-institutional education research projects which demonstrate potential for funding by other foundations and wide acceptance by Southern scholars and educators. We are also pleased by the Foundation's ventures in the direction of promoting discourse on education research topics and wider dissemination of wisdom from education research. The clear need and potential usefulness of such discussion increases as work in this area expands.

Report of the **Vice President**

Graham who announced her retirement tury. from the Foundation effective June 2000. We will miss her work and her friendship in future years, but we wish her well as she embarks upon her next career as a retired, but extremely active, expert on many subjects related to education research. Those of John B. Williams, III us who remain anticipate with great excite- Vice President

The Foundation's success both in ment the arrival of Ellen Condliffe increasing its resources and putting them Lagemann, our next President, who will to good use is in no small measure due to provide leadership for the Spencer the leadership of President Patricia Albjerg Foundation as we move into the next cen-

John B. Williams

APPLICATION AND REVIEW INFORMATION

GENERAL SCOPE OF SUPPORT

The primary mission of the Foundation, as ■ articulated by its founder, Lyle M. Spencer, is "to investigate ways in which education can be improved, around the world." To achieve this goal, the Foundation is committed to supporting high-quality investigation of education through its research programs and to strengthening and renewing the educational research community through fellowship and training programs and related activities. Foundation defines education broadly to include all of the situations and institutions in which education proceeds, across the entire life span. An important expectation of the Foundation is that the activities it supports, taken together over the years, will contribute significantly to the enhancement of educational opportunities for all people.

The Foundation's programs are organized within three divisions: Research, Fellowships, and Training. In addition, a handful of programs operate out of the Office of the Vice President. Programs in the Research Division support work that shows promise of contributing new knowledge, understanding, and improvement of educational thought and practice. Programs in the Fellowship Division support educational researchers at different stages of their professional careers, providing resources to both beginning and senior researchers to pursue concentrated intellectual activity. Programs in the Training Division are aimed at improving the work and performance of agencies and institutions, mainly universities and graduate schools of education at universities, which hold a mission of training and apprenticing educational researchers. Funding programs within the Vice President's Office are experimental or developmental, spanning and augmenting the other divisions' programmatic objectives.

As a matter of policy, the Foundation is unable to support requests for capital funds, operating or ongoing program expenses, direct support for teacher or staff pre-service or in-service training, and funds for developing tests, curricula, or programs, or for program evaluation.

RESEARCH DIVISION

The Research Division at the Foundation encourages research that promises to yield new knowledge about education, in one or other of its forms, in the United States and abroad. The programs in this division support researchers from a wide range of disciplines and professional fields.

MAJOR RESEARCH GRANTS

The Foundation's Major Research Grants Program supports research projects requiring more than \$35,000. Research projects vary widely, ranging from medium-sized studies that can be completed within a year by an individual researcher to more extensive collaborative studies that can last several years.

Funding Priorities. The Foundation does not establish funding priorities for subjects of research. Funded projects originate from research ideas initiated in the field by scholars and other researchers. The Foundation believes that the best research is done by those who conceive or recognize an important research idea or problem, have the professional skills to examine it, and the energy and perseverance to bring the project to a successful conclusion.

Eligibility. Ordinarily, principal investigators applying for a Major Research Grant must be currently affiliated with a school district, a college or university, a research facility, or a cultural institution. Researchers must also have an earned doctorate in an academic discipline or professional field and/or appropriate experience in the teaching profession.

Restrictions. The Foundation does not grant funds to maintain organizations or the institutional infrastructure of educational research. Grantees may not receive two research grants simultaneously from the Spencer Foundation. Please note that the Foundation does not pay government-approved overhead rates on research grants. Overhead requests on Major Research Grants of more than \$75,000 may not exceed 15 percent of the requested direct costs. The Foundation does not pay indirect costs on research grants of \$75,000 or less.

does not accept fully developed proposals unless it has requested them. Applicants seeking research support from the Major Research Grants Program are asked to submit a brief preliminary proposal. Preliminary proposals should be no more than 1,500 words in length. Within those limits, we request the following information:

- · a brief description of the project and the new knowledge expected to result from it;
- · a brief review of relevant research literature:
- · a concise summary of the research methodologies, modes of analysis, and/or instruments that the project will employ;
- · a clear identification of the principal investigator(s) and a clear definition of the roles they and any supporting researcher(s) will play;
- an estimated time frame for the project and an approximated project budget including the amount requested from the Spencer Foundation.

Attachments must include:

- · the full curriculum vita(e) of the principal investigator(s);
- · phone number(s), fax number(s), and email address(es) that can be used to contact the investigator(s).

The Foundation responds to preliminary proposals promptly.

Inquiries and preliminary proposals are welcome at any time and should be addressed to: Major Research Grants Program, The Spencer Foundation, 875 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3930, Chicago, Illinois 60611-1803.

SMALLRESEARCH GRANTS

The Foundation's Small Research Grants Program supports short-term research projects (one year or less) that require no more than \$35,000 to complete. It offers scholars and teachers in a broad range of institutions who are interested in educational research a unique opportunity to obtain support for their work. The program is appropriate for modest-sized

Application Procedure. The Foundation research projects, exploratory studies, specific phases of larger investigations, and projects that arise in response to unusual opportunities. The Small Research Grants Program encourages researchers with diverse perspectives to develop ideas and approaches that extend the conventional boundaries of a research question, area, or method. The program supports individual efforts as well as collaborations.

> Eligibility. Ordinarily, small grant researchers must be currently affiliated with a school district, a college or university, a research facility, or a cultural institution. Researchers must also have an earned doctorate in an academic discipline or professional field and/or appropriate experience in the teaching profession.

> **Restrictions.** Grantees are not permitted to receive two research grants simultaneously from the Spencer Foundation. Grants made under this program range from \$1,000 to a maximum of \$35,000. Projects may not last longer than one year. Please note that the Foundation does not pay indirect costs in the Small Research Grants Program. Researchers seeking support for their doctoral dissertations should apply to the Spencer Dissertation Fellowship Program.

> Application Procedure. Unlike the Major Research Grants Program, a preliminary proposal is not required. Proposals for support from the Small Research Grants Program should be in the form of a statement with attachments. The statement should not exceed 1,800 words in length (approximately five to seven double-spaced pages) and should provide the following information:

- · a concrete description of the proposed research project;
- · a review of the relevant literature and the proposed research's relationship to it:
- a statement of the methodologies and modes of analysis to be employed in the
- a clear definition of the role of the researcher(s);
- a summary of the new knowledge about

education expected to result from the project;

 a description of the potential contribution of that new knowledge to the improvement of education.

Attachments should include:

- a one-paragraph summary of the project, written for the interested, informed lay person;
- · a detailed budget for the project;
- approval of the budget from the appropriate financial officer of the institution serving as fiscal agent of the grant;
- the full curriculum vita(e) of the principal investigator(s);
- phone number(s), fax number(s), and email address(es) that can be used to contact the investigator(s).

An unbound original and two unbound copies of the proposal and attachments are requested. Please note that proposals exceeding the prescribed limit of 1,800 words will not be reviewed. Insofar as it is feasible, proposals that include all the information requested above will be acted upon within approximately three months of receipt by the Foundation.

Inquiries and proposals are welcome at any time and should be addressed to: Small Research Grants Program, The Spencer Foundation, 875 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3930, Chicago, Illinois 60611-1803.

PRACTITIONER RESEARCH COMMUNICATION AND MENTORING GRANTS

The Foundation's Practitioner Research Communication and Mentoring Program (PRCM) supports research or research capacity-building projects. The program seeks to strengthen the effectiveness of teacher/educator-researchers and to clarify the uses of practitioner research. The purpose of PRCM grants is threefold: (1) to establish or strengthen channels for rigorous examination and discussion of the characteristics and knowledge produced by well-constructed teacher/educator-research, (2) to provide teacher/educator-researchers with the opportunity to enhance their research

skills through consultation with others in the teacher/educator-research and/or traditional academic communities, and (3) to support high quality teacher/educator research projects. PRCM grants are intended to build the research expertise of teacher/educator-researchers and to support strong communities of inquiry around teacher/educator research.

Application guidelines are under revision. Inquiries should be directed to: Practitioner Research Communication and Mentoring Program, The Spencer Foundation, 875 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3930, Chicago, Illinois 60611-1803.

PROFESSIONALDEVELOPMENT RESEARCH AND DOCUMENTATION PROGRAM

The Professional Development Research and Documentation Program, funded jointly by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and the Spencer Foundation, completed its third and final year of grant making in December 1998. Final proposals were funded in September 1998. The program was created to support research on the professional development of adults working in elementary and secondary schools. Individuals or groups interested in pursuing grants for research on professional development can apply to the Small Research Grants or Major Research Grants program at the following address: The Spencer Foundation, 875 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3930, Chicago, Illinois 60611-1803.

THE SPENCER SENIOR SCHOLAR PROGRAM

The Spencer Senior Scholar Program supports established scholars who are identified as being at the peak of their careers by their peers. The Scholars are invited by the Foundation to submit proposals for these awards.

FELLOWSHIP DIVISION

The Fellowship Division at the Foundation supports scholars engaged in educational research at different stages of their professional

lives. Three fellowship programs—the Spencer Dissertation Fellowship Program, the Advanced Studies Research Group Fellowships, and the Advanced Studies Institute/Seminar Awards—are administered directly by the Foundation. The National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowships, the American Educational Research Association/Spencer Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowships, and the Spencer Fellows at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences are administered by outside agencies on behalf of the Foundation.

DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM FOR RESEARCH RELATED TO EDUCATION

Through the Foundation's Dissertation Fellowship Program, approximately 35 nonrenewable fellowships of \$20,000 are awarded each year. The Dissertation Fellowship Program seeks to encourage a new generation of scholars from a wide range of disciplines and professional fields to undertake research relevant to education. The Foundation believes that insights from many research traditions can contribute to an understanding of education as a fundamental human endeavor and advance our ability to address significant current issues in education. Therefore, the Spencer Dissertation Fellowships support individuals whose dissertations show potential for bringing fresh and constructive perspectives to the history, theory, or practice of formal or informal education anywhere in the world.

Funding Priorities. Although the dissertation topic must concern education, graduate study may be in any academic discipline or professional field. In the past, fellowships have been awarded to candidates in anthropology, architecture, art history, economics, education, history, linguistics, literature, philosophy, political science, public health, psychology, religion, and sociology, but eligibility is not restricted to these academic areas. Candidates should be interested in pursuing further research in education once the doctorate is attained.

Eligibility. Applicants must be candidates for the doctoral degree at a graduate school in the United States. These fellowships are not intended to finance data collection or the completion of doctoral coursework, but rather to support the final analysis of the research topic and the writing of the dissertation. For this reason, all applicants must document that they will have completed all pre-dissertation requirements by June 1 of the year in which the fellowship is awarded and must provide a clear and specific plan for completing the dissertation within a one or two-year time frame.

Restrictions. Fellows' stipends are to support completion of dissertation work and are to be expended within one or two years in accordance with the work plan provided by the candidate in his/her application. Fellows may not accept employment other than as described (if any) in the application, nor may they accept other awards providing duplicate benefits without the written permission of the Spencer Program Officer.

Application Procedure. Fellowship applicants must request current application forms and instructions by October of the year prior to the year in which the fellowship is to take effect. Students must submit their completed applications by a mid-October date designated each year. Awards are announced in April.

Inquiries concerning the Dissertation Fellowship Program should be addressed to: Dissertation Fellowship Program, The Spencer Foundation, 875 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3930, Chicago, Illinois 60611-1803. Application materials may be downloaded from the Foundation's website: www.spencer.org.

ADVANCED STUDIES RESEARCH GROUP FELLOWSHIP AWARDS

The Foundation's Research Group Fellowship Awards provide multi-year funding to teams of senior researchers to offer one- to two-year postdoctoral fellowships to cohorts of early career scholars (ordinarily within five years of degree conferral). The awards seek to aid postdoctoral fellows in strengthening their

research capacities and enhancing their professional networks by facilitating interaction with senior scholars working within established research institutions. The sponsoring institutions(s) applying for funding under this program must be organized around well-defined research agendas, and the senior researchers acting as principal investigators must themselves have a strong research record and a history of working successfully with early career scholars.

Those senior scholars interested in submitting a Research Group Fellowship Award proposal must have first applied for, and been awarded, a Planning Grant.

ADVANCED STUDIES RESEARCH GROUP PLANNING GRANTS

Research Group Planning Grants support the complex thinking needed to design and organize a Research Group Fellowship Program that supports the career development of postdoctoral scholars working in areas relevant to education. Planning processes funded under this grant may be of up to one year in duration and must require no more than \$50,000 to complete. Planning activities vary widely, ranging from an analysis of the needs of early career scholars and the host institution's capacity to address those needs to the identification of a network of senior scholars and/or the establishment of the institutional arrangements necessary for a strong and successful postdoctoral program.

Eligibility. Senior researchers may serve as the principal investigators on a Planning Grant application. Current principal investigators on Spencer research grants may apply for an award under this program. Principal investigators must be currently affiliated with a college or university, a research facility, or other research agency. The principal investigators must also have an earned doctorate in an academic discipline or professional field. Applicants may either be associated with a single institution or organized collaboratively across institutions. A program can be located in any field of inquiry but must be: (1) proposed by a team of researchers working in areas relevant to education and (2) designed for early

career scholars interested in research careers focused on critical educational issues.

Restrictions. A Planning Grant will not cover current expenses associated with an ongoing research program, but it can be used to rethink or redesign an existing program for early career scholars pursuing research related to education. Please note that the Foundation does not pay indirect costs on Research Group Fellowship Planning Grants.

Application Procedure. Planning Grant proposals should be no more than 2,500 words in length (approximately eight to ten double-spaced pages) and should provide the following:

- a description of the research community into which a group of postdoctoral fellows would be immersed (were the planning grant to result in submission of a full proposal);
- a statement of the likely focus of inquiry;
- a brief discussion of the strengths of the institution or context to support such inquiry;
- a concise summary of the proposed planning activities and the rationale for undertaking each one;
- identification of the person or persons responsible for the planning process;
- an estimated schedule for the planning process.

Attachments should include:

- a summary of the proposal (one doublespaced page);
- a detailed budget;
- approval of the budget from the appropriate financial officer of the institution serving as the fiscal agent of the grant;
- the full curriculum vitae of the researchers responsible for the planning process;
- phone numbers, fax numbers, and email addresses that can be used to contact the researchers

An unbound original and five unbound copies of the proposal and attachments are

requested. Insofar as feasible, proposals that include all the information requested above will be acted upon within approximately six to eight weeks of receipt by the Foundation.

Inquiries and proposals are welcome at any time and should be addressed to: Advanced Studies Fellowship Program, The Spencer Foundation, 875 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3930, Chicago, Illinois 60611-1803.

ADVANCED STUDIES INSTITUTE/ SEMINAR AWARDS

The Foundation's Advanced Studies Institute/Seminar Awards support short-term workshops, institutes, or seminars designed to strengthen the research skills of early career scholars. Institute/Seminars may take many forms (from a single meeting to a series of meetings, conferences, or seminars), but should advance the program's dual goals of: (1) strengthening the research capacities of early career scholars and (2) enhancing their substantive and professional networks.

Eligibility. Beginning or experienced researchers, or a combination of the two, may apply for an Advanced Studies Institute/ Seminar Award to strengthen the research skills and capacities of early career scholars. Ordinarily, Advanced Studies researchers must be currently affiliated with a school district, a college or university, a research facility, or a cultural institution. Researchers must also have an earned doctorate in an academic discipline or professional field. Current principal investigators on Spencer research grants may apply for an award under this program. However, early career applicants may not hold another Spencer Foundation-funded fellowship when they apply for an Institute/Seminar Award.

Restrictions. Planning Grants are not available for development of proposals for an Institute/Seminar Award. An Institute/Seminar Award may not be used to fund a program that is already underway. However, a proposal that argues persuasively that a distinct element relevant to the purposes of this award is to be added to an existing program could be considered. Please note that the

Foundation will not pay indirect costs on Institute/Seminar Awards.

Application Procedure. Institute/Seminar proposals should be no more than 2,500 words in length (approximately eight to ten double-spaced pages) and should provide the following:

- a clear synopsis of the objectives for the Institute/Seminar and a statement of how these objectives will address the needs of early career scholars;
- a statement of the new knowledge and/or skills early career researchers are expected to acquire through participation in the Institute/Seminar;
- a concise summary of the proposed set of activities designed to strengthen the research capabilities of young researchers and of the ways in which the proposed activities will fulfill this broad purpose;
- identification of the researcher(s) responsible for organizing the Institute/ Seminar:
- a participant list or a statement of the target audience and/or (if appropriate) the names and titles of individuals who have agreed to participate as contributors through general discussion, presentation of papers, and other means:
- an estimated schedule for the meetings, symposia, seminars, or institutes.

Attachments should include:

- a summary of the proposal (one doublespaced page);
- · a detailed budget;
- approval of the budget from the appropriate financial officer of the institution serving as fiscal agent of the grant;
- the full curriculum vitae of the researchers responsible for the Institute/Seminar;
- phone numbers, fax numbers, and email addresses that can be used to contact the researchers.

An unbound original and five unbound copies of the proposal and attachments are requested. Insofar as it is feasible, proposals

that include all the information requested above will be acted upon within approximately six to eight weeks of receipt by the Foundation.

Inquiries and proposals are welcome at any time and should be addressed to: Advanced Studies Fellowship Program, The Spencer Foundation, 875 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3930, Chicago, Illinois 60611-1803.

NATIONALACADEMY OF EDUCATION/SPENCER POST-DOCTORALFELLOWSHIPS

Administered by the National Academy of Education, the Postdoctoral Fellowships are designed to promote scholarship in the United States and abroad on matters relevant to the improvement of education in all its forms. Scholars anywhere in the world who have completed their doctorates within the last five years and who wish to conduct research related to education may apply.

Inquiries concerning the Postdoctoral Fellowship Program should be addressed to: The National Academy of Education, School of Education, New York University, 726 Broadway, Suite 509, New York, New York 10003-6652.

AMERICAN EDUCATIONALRESEARCH ASSOCIATION/SPENCER PRE-DISSERTA-TION RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

The American Educational Research Association (AERA)/Spencer Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship Program provides one-year fellowships for graduate students midway through their doctoral programs. Students at institutions receiving Spencer Research Training Grants are not eligible for these fellowships.

Inquiries concerning the Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship Programs should be addressed to: AERA/Spencer Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship Programs, The American Educational Research Association, 1230 17th Street, NW, Washington, District of Columbia 20036.

SUPPORT FOR SCHOLARS AT THE CENTER FOR ADVANCED STUDY IN THE BEHAVIORALSCIENCES

Since 1971, the Foundation has contributed to the support of Spencer Fellows at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences (CASBS) in Stanford, California. Three to five scholars with interests in issues of education, development, cognition, and the social contexts of learning are supported annually.

Inquiries concerning Spencer Fellows at CASBS should be addressed to: Director, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, 75 Alta Road, Stanford, California 94305-8090.

TRAINING DIVISION

The Training Division at the Foundation seeks to support innovative ways to address the systematic and creative training of education researchers and to promote a deeper understanding of educational practices. The three programs in this division, two of which are invitational, are described below.

THE RESEARCH TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM

Through the Research Training Grant Program, at the invitation of the Foundation, grants are made to schools of education to support the doctoral training of education researchers. The program's goals are: (1) to enhance the research training of graduate students in education by providing financial aid to students so that they can study full time, (2) to develop a larger and stronger national community of inquiry, and (3) to stimulate conversations about research training within and across institutions.

RESEARCH ON SCHOOL REFORM INITIATIVE

The intent of the Research on School Reform Initiative is to promote research that will generate a deeper understanding of educationally relevant changes associated with school reform. The research should explore the significance of pertinent contexts and both the

intended and unintended consequences of school reform. The Foundation encourages research on specific reforms that have important implications for the schools and students involved and for future policies, both locally and nationally. The Foundation will not fund evaluations of reform efforts or evaluations of educational programs.

The Research on School Reform Initiative provides support for teams of researchers. The teams should be multi-disciplinary, involve senior and junior scholars, and include practitioners as full participants. Findings should be presented in forms and forums useful for those directly involved with the reform. (These stakeholders might include educators, families, and community members as well as scholars, policy analysts, and policy makers.) The Foundation will periodically convene grantees to examine themes and issues emerging from the research.

Those invited to submit a proposal for funding must have first applied for and been awarded a Planning Grant. At this time, no new requests for funding under this program are being accepted.

Inquiries about this program should be addressed to: Research on School Reform Initiative, The Spencer Foundation, 875 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3930, Chicago, Illinois 60611-1803.

SPENCER MENTOR NETWORK AWARDS

The invitation, the Mentor Network Grant Program awards grants to individual scholars who work on issues related to education and who have a strong record of mentoring doctoral students preparing for careers in education research. Recipients of the grants are selected based on their research records and evidence of their effectiveness as mentors. Spencer Mentor Network Awards provide support to doctoral students intending careers related to the study of education.

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

A small number of experimental and developmental programs, including Conference Programs, are assigned to the Office of the Vice President.

CONFERENCE PROGRAMS

Through its conference programs, the Foundation encourages discussion of relevant topics related to research on education through two initiatives.

SPENCER-SPONSORED CONFERENCES

The Foundation organizes three to four invitational conferences each year to encourage established scholars to focus more deeply on issues judged by the education research community to be of special importance and in need of scholarly attention. These conferences are intended to provide an opportunity for the nation's community of educational researchers to meet together to review existing research, discuss new pathways of inquiry, develop future research agendas, train and socialize beginning researchers, and conduct related community-building activities.

Conference agendas, reports, and participant listings may be found on the Foundation's website at www.spencer.org.

RESEARCH CONFERENCE GRANTS

The Foundation's Research Conference Grants Program supports forums in which researchers and other educators engage in discussions of on-going research projects, important new findings, areas for new research, improved methods for systematic inquiry into important education topics, and related subjects. Such forums are important for expanding and improving the content and contributions of education research and for sustaining national and international research communities.

Funding Priorities. Conferences proposed for funding under the program should offer a unique opportunity to focus upon an area of inquiry, to define needed research, and/or to promote multi-disciplinary collaboration. Conference organizers need not feel limited to a single conference structure. In addition to the

traditional paper presentation format, acceptable conference structures include a series of working meetings or seminars, discussions of new or innovative ways to think about existing research, and multimedia or video conferencing.

Eligibility. Ordinarily, conference organizers must be currently affiliated with a school district, a college or university, a research facility, or a cultural institution. Conference organizers must also have an earned doctorate in an academic discipline or professional field and/or appropriate experience in the teaching profession. Researchers and other applicants may receive a conference grant and a research grant simultaneously from the Foundation. Prior experience organizing conferences is considered but is not a prerequisite for funding.

Restrictions. Grants under the program may not exceed \$50,000. A report, a book of readings, or a research agenda should be disseminated following the conference. Please note that the Foundation does not pay indirect costs in the Research Conference Grants Program.

Application Procedure. Proposals for support should take the form of a statement not exceeding 1,500 words in length (approximately five double-spaced pages) and should include the following:

- a clear description of the proposed conference objectives;
- the proposed organization, format,date(s), and schedule of all conference proceedings;
- a clear identification of the conference organizer(s);
- the names and titles of individuals who have agreed to participate as contributors through general discussion, presentation of papers, and other means;
- a description of planned reports, publications, and other concrete outcomes.

Attachments should include:

- · a one-paragraph summary of the project;
- · a conference agenda;
- a detailed budget;
- approval of the budget from the appropriate financial officer of the institution serving as fiscal agent of the grant;
- the full curriculum vita(e) of the conference organizer(s);
- phone number(s), fax number(s), and email address(es) that can be used to contact the conference organizer(s).

An unbound original and three unbound copies of the proposal and attachments are requested. Insofar as feasible, proposals that include all the information requested below will be acted upon within approximately three months of receipt by the Foundation.

Inquiries and proposals are welcome at any time and should be addressed to: Research Conference Grants Program, The Spencer Foundation, 875 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3930, Chicago, Illinois 60611-1803.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

THE REVIEW PROCESS

Research proposals and fellowship applications submitted to the Spencer Foundation go through a rigorous review process that relies extensively upon peer review by external scholars. The goal of the external review is not to achieve threshold ratings from reviewers; rather, it is to bring solid scholarly advice to bear on funding decisions. The Foundation receives many more well-conceived and worthwhile project proposals than it can possibly fund. Therefore, it is frequently necessary to forgo opportunities to support high quality projects in the research programs or in the fellowship competitions even though they are well within the Foundation's area of interest.

INDIRECT COST POLICY

For research grants over \$75,000, the Foundation will pay indirect costs up to 15 percent of the direct costs of the project. The Foundation does not pay government-

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approved overhead rates on research grants.

direct costs.

NOTE: The current members of the For all other grants, it is the Foundation's Foundation's Board of Directors, review compolicy not to pay indirect costs. Also, the mittees, and staff, as well as updates of the Foundation will generally not accept institu- information in the Annual Report, can be found tional infrastructure costs (such as office rent, at the Spencer Foundation website: grants and contracts office expenses, account- www.spencer.org. Additionally, this site pering and legal services, etc.) as part of the direct mits downloading of the Foundation's 25th costs. The Foundation will review each budget Anniversary Annual Report (1996), the current individually for the appropriateness of the year's Annual Report, and select updates to Spencer program information.

2000 GRANTS AUTHORIZED

The Spencer Foundation supports research that gives promise of yielding new knowledge leading to the improvement of education.

Grants authorized and ongoing under the Research, Fellowship, and Training initiatives during this year are listed on pages 20 through 45.

MAJOR RESEARCH GRANTS

F. King Alexander and Walter W. McMahon

Measuring the Returns to Higher Education: The Market and Non-Market Returns to Education and Research from Investment in Higher Education Department of Educational

Organization and Leadership University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

\$57,500 over one year

Richard C.Anderson

Facets of Metalinguistic Awareness that Enable the Acquisition of Chinese Characters Center for the Study of Reading University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign \$233,700 over two years

Albert Bandura and Gian V. Caprara

Impact of Sociocognitive Factors on Trajectories of Social, Moral, Academic and Occupational Development Department of Psychology Stanford University S194,200 over four years

Bonnie L.Barber

Round Holes, Square Pegs, Rocky Roads, and Sore Feet: Adolescents' Education and their Transition into Adulthood Department of Family Studies University of Arizona

University of Arizona \$452,100 over three years

Tabbye M.Chavous and Jacquelynne S.Eccles African Americans in Higher

Education
Department of Psychology
University of Michigan
\$425,600 over three years

Amanda L.Datnow and Lea A.Hubbard

Single Gender Public Schooling as a New Form of School Choice Center for the Social Organization of Schools Johns Hopkins University \$135,200 over 19 months

David K.Dickinson

An Examination of Factors that Affect the Capacity of Preschool Programs to Support Children's Early Literacy Development Education Development Center,

Newton, Massachusetts \$424,900 over three years

Carol S.Dweck Psychological Causes of Student

Achievement
Department of Psychology
Columbia University in the City
of New York
\$379,950 over two years

Rachel Joffe Falmagne Women, Social Location and

Deductive Reasoning: Contextual Processes, Meaning-Making and Inferential Principles Francis L. Hiatt School of Psychology

Psychology Clark University \$224,500 over three years

Wendy S.Grolnick, Jaan Valsiner, and Richard Sohmer Socializing Motivation and Academic Efficacy: The Power of a Practice

Francis L. Hiatt School of Psychology Clark University \$494,250 over three years

Edward H.Haertel

Judgmental Standard Setting for Educational Tests: Toward Rational Foundations and Defensible Methods School of Education Stanford University \$367,700 over 26 months

Emily C.Hannum and Yanhong Zhang

The Gansu Poverty and Education Project Graduate School of Education Harvard University \$276,400 over 27 months

Sylvia A.Harrop and Joyce Goodman

Women and the Governance of Girls' Secondary Schools in Britain 1870-1997

Department of Education University of Liverpool United Kingdom \$235,400 over three years

Annette P. Lareau

Contours of Childhood: The Power and Limits of Social Class Department of Sociology Temple University \$297,150 over two years

Jane E.Lewis

Sex Education: AComparison of Policy Development and Practice in the UK and The Netherlands from the 1960s to the 1990s Department of Social Policy and Social Work

University of Oxford United Kingdom \$134,350 over two years

Rachel A.Lotan and

Elizabeth G. Cohen Language Acquisition and Mastery of Content for English Learners in Heterogeneous Classrooms Program for Complex Instruction Stanford University \$394,950 over three years

Anne J.MacLachlan,Arnold L. Leiman,and Calvin C.Moore

Leiman, and Calvin C.Moore
A Longitudinal Study of Minority
Ph.D.s from 1980-1990: Progress
and Outcomes in Science and
Engineering at U.C. during Graduate
School and Professional Life
Center for Studies in Higher
Education
University of California, Berkeley

Emily Martin

Managing the Mental: The Learning Person in Late 20th Century U.S. Society and Culture Department of Anthropology Princeton University \$148,800 over two years

Denise S. Mewborn Learning to Teach Elementary

\$264,250 over two years

Mathematics
Mathematics Education
Department
University of Georgia
\$245,400 over four years

Cecil Miskel

Interests and Processes for Reading Policy in the States School of Education University of Michigan \$395.600 over 28 months

David E.Myers and Paul E. Peterson

Continued Funding of "An Evaluation of a Randomized Experiment on School Choice" Corporation for the Advancement of Policy Evaluation Planesboro, New Jersey \$436,000 over two years

Barbara Scott Nelson and Annette M.Sassi

"Putting Something on the Line:" How New Ideas About Education Connect with Old Ideas About Administration

Education Development Center, Inc.

Newton, Massachusetts \$319,250 over two years

Francisco O. Ramirez and John W. Meyer

The Societal Effects of National Scientific and Educational Expansion: Comparative Sociological Studies

School of Education Stanford University \$461,650 over three years

Jean E.Rhodes and Niobe Way A Longitudinal Investigation of the Predictors, Patterns of Change and Consequences of Middle School

Students'Perceptions of School Climate Department of Psychology University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

\$209,200 over two years James E.Rosenbaum

How Do Employers and Students Learn to Use Community Colleges and Proprietary Schools? Center for Urban Affairs and Policy Research Northwestern University \$400,000 over three years

James P. Spillane

Improving Instruction and the "Practice" of School Leadership in Urban Elementary Schools School of Education and Social Policy Northwestern University \$374,200 over three years

Daniel A. Wagner

Literacy and Its Consequences in Developing Countries: A Comparative Approach International Literacy Institute University of Pennsylvania \$476,100 over three years

GRANTS IN PROGRESS

Karl L.Alexander and Doris R.Entwisle

The Transition to Adulthood Among Urban Youth Department of Sociology Johns Hopkins University \$380,240 in 1998

Donna E.Alvermann

After-School Media Clubs for Reluctant Adolescent Readers Department of Reading Education University of Georgia \$71,100 in 1999

Kathryn M.Anderson-Levitt

Constructing "Good Pedagogy" in Guinea: Global, National and Local Dialogues

Department of Behavioral Sciences University of Michigan-Dearborn \$118,860 in 1998

Kathryn H. Au The Successful Education of Hawaiian Children: AStudy of Preservice and Mentor Teachers College of Education University of Hawaii at Manoa \$192.100 in 1997

Deborah Loewenberg Ball

Crossing Boundaries: Probing the Interplay of Mathematics and Pedagogy in Elementary Teaching Department of Educational Studies University of Michigan \$302,000 in 1998

Isabel L.Beck and Margaret G. McKeown

Text Talk: Building Knowledge and Developing Thinking Through Read-Aloud Discussions Learning Research and Development Center University of Pittsburgh \$307,800 in 1999

Mark Berends and Samuel R.Lucas

The Structure and Effects of Tracking in the United States: A Temporal Perspective The RAND Corporation Washington, District of Columbia \$472,800 in 1997

Ruth A.Berman

Developing Literacy in Different Contexts and in Different Languages Department of Linguistics Tel Aviv University Israel \$520,000 in 1998

Peter Blatchford and Anthony D. Pellegrini

Anthony D. Feliegrini
Playground Games: Their Social
Context in Elementary/Junior School
Department of Psychology and
Special Needs
University of London
United Kingdom
\$170.600 in 1998

Paul Bloom

Syntactic Support in Word Learning Department of Psychology Yale University \$321.700 in 1993

David M.Bloome and Susan R.Goldman

Using Multiple Texts for Academic Learning: Social and Cognitive Perspectives Department of Teaching and Learning Vanderbilt University \$532,900 in 1997

Phyllis C.Blumenfeld, Joseph S. Krajcik,Ronald W. Marx,and Elliot Soloway

Technologies to Enable Inquiry: The Influences on Student Learning and Motivation School of Education University of Michigan

\$755,150 in 1999 Jeanne Brooks-Gunn

Storytimes: Language and Literacy in the Context of Home Visiting Programs Center for Young Children and Families Teachers College, Columbia University in the City of New York \$238,900 in 1997

Jere E.Brophy and

Janet E.Alleman Developments Across the Primary Grades in Students'Social Studies Knowledge and Thinking Department of Teacher Education Michigan State University \$168,950 in 1999

David C.Brotherton and Luis Barrios

Marginalization, Education, and Empowerment: AMultiple Case Study Analysis of Street Organizations in New York City Department of Sociology John Jay College of Criminal Instice City University of New York \$347,200 in 1999

Jerome S.Bruner Meaning Making in Context Department of Psychology New York University \$377,250 in 1995

Nicholas C.Burbules and Suzanne Rice Virtue, Communication, and

Education: The Debate About Virtue and Character in U.S. Schools Department of Educational Policy Studies University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign \$72,800 in 1998

Robert C.Calfee

Design Experiments on Efficient and Effective Decoding-Spelling Instruction in the Primary Grades Graduate School of Education University of California, Riverside \$362,000 in 1999

Eve V. Clark

Pragmatics, Metalanguage, and Addressee-Uptake in Language Acquisition Department of Linguistics Stanford University \$58,650 in 1999

Daniel R.Coquillette and Bruce A.Kimball

Modern Legal Pedagogy and Professional Education: 1870-2000 The James Barr Ames Foundation Cambridge, Massachusetts \$414.100 in 1999

Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi. William Damon,and Howard E Gardner

The Transmission of Excellence: A Study of Mentoring in Creative Work Peter F. Drucker Graduate School of Management Claremont Graduate University \$485,675 in 1998

Diana Dee-Lucas and Jill H.Larkin

Knowledge Effects in Learning from Interactive Electronic Texts Department of Psychology Carnegie Mellon University S202.300 in 1998

Mary Ann Dzuback

Women Social Science Scholars in the Academy, 1890-1940 Department of Education Washington University \$132,700 in 1995

Kieran Egan

Minds and Their Educational Development Faculty of Education Simon Fraser University Canada \$46,450 in 1999

Parfait M.Eloundou-Enyegue and Julie DaVanzo

Population Growth, Economic Crisis, and the Future of Schooling in Sub-Saharan Africa The RAND Corporation

Santa Monica, California S184.900 in 1999

Thomas W. Farmer and Beverly D. Cairns (Originally granted to Robert B.Cairns) Intergenerational Turning Points for

Department of Psychology University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

\$258,750 in 1997

School Success

Jeremy D. Finn and Charles M.Achilles

A Study of Class Size and At-Risk Students

Graduate School of Education State University of New York at Buffalo

\$374,400 in 1999

Bruce Fuller and

Sharon L.Kagan The Devolution of Welfare: Assessing Children's Changing Environments and Effects on School Readiness

School of Education University of California, Berkeley \$441,250 in 1998

Michael Fultz

African-American Teachers in the South, 1890-1960 Department of Educational Policy Studies University of Wisconsin-Madison \$182,100 in 1997

Rene Galindo

A Comparative Study of Language and Educational Policy Debates over Bilingual Education Latino/a Research and Policy Center University of Colorado at Denver \$470,450 in 1999

James Paul Gee and Sarah A.Michaels

Talk, Text, and Identity: Understanding Teaching and Learning in a Post-Progressive Science Program Jacob Hiatt Center for Urban Education Clark University \$300.310 in 1996

Margaret A.Gibson

Student Identity, Peer Affiliations, and Academic Engagement: A Comparative Study of Immigrant and Nonimmigrant Youth College of Education University of California, Santa Cruz \$459,500 in 1999

Herbert P. Ginsburg

Understanding and Fostering Early Mathematics Competence in Low Income African-American and Latino Children

Department of Human Development Teachers College, Columbia University \$391,000 in 1998

Claude N.Goldenberg, Ronald G. Gallimore,and William M.Saunders

Settings for Change: APractical Model for Linking Rhetoric and Action to Improve Achievement of Diverse Students Department of Teacher Education

Department of Teacher Education California State University,
Long Beach
\$399,750 in 1998

Susan Goldin-Meadow

Educational Tool: Using the Hand to Read the Mind Department of Psychology University of Chicago \$219.475 in 1994

Gesture-Speech Mismatch as an

Usha Claire Goswami

Factors Influencing the Use of Analogical Reasoning by Young Children

Behavioral Sciences Unit University College London United Kingdom \$111.100 in 1996 Gerald Graff

A Book on the Problem of Academic Intellectual Discourse Department of English Language and Literature University of Chicago \$92,000 in 1999

Judith L.Green and Carol N.Dixon

Constructing Access to Learning Across Content Areas in Bilingual Classrooms

Department of Education University of California, Santa Barbara

\$335,000 in 1998

James G. Greeno and Randi A.Engle Learning to Use and Understand

Concepts During Project-Based Activity

School of Education Stanford University \$450,500 in 1998

Stephen J.Griffin Making the Transparent Visible: Teachers' Research on Classroom

Discourse Brookline Public Schools Brookline, Massachusetts \$249.700 in 1997

Walter M.Haney and Lisa R. Jackson

Lisa R. Jackson
Drawing on Education: Using
Drawings to Study and Change
Education and Schooling
Center for the Study of Testing,
Evaluation, and Educational
Policy
Boston College
S530,500 in 1999

Andrew Hargreaves and Ivor F. Goodson

Change Over Time? AStudy of Culture, Structure, Time, and Change in Secondary Schooling Ontario Institute for Studies in Education

University of Toronto, Canada and Warner Graduate School of Education

University of Rochester \$374,600 in 1998

George Hillocks

How State Assessments Influence Curricular Content and Classroom Practice: The Case of Writing Department of Education University of Chicago \$278,200 in 1995 Carl F. Kaestle

The Role of the Federal Government in Elementary and Secondary Education, From 1950 to the Present Department of Education Brown University \$360,650 in 1999

John F. Kain

Minority Suburbanization and the Achievement of Minority Students Department of Economics Harvard University \$214,700 in 1997

David Kaplan

Developing Longitudinal Statistical Models for Education Policy Department of Educational Studies University of Delaware \$125,000 in 1999

Sandra Katz

The Interactions That Produce Learning Learning Research and Development Center University of Pittsburgh \$296,000 in 1999

Valerie E.Lee

Cultural Modeling in Reading Comprehension: Implications for Teacher and Student Cognition School of Education and Social Policy University of Michigan \$311,400 in 1999

Mary J.Levitt and Jerome L.Levitt Social Networks and School Adaptation Across the Child to Adolescent Transition

Department of Psychology Florida International University \$293.350 in 1997

Howard B.London and Kathleen M.Shaw

Cultures of Success: AStudy of Community Colleges with High Transfer Rates Department of Sociology

Bridgewater State College \$130,300 in 1996

Tom J.Luster

Factors Related to Early School Success Among Children Born to Teenage Mothers Department of Family and Child Ecology Michigan State University \$326,100 in 1998

Dan P. McAdams

Generativity in Black and White The Foley Center for the Study of Lives Northwestern University

\$367,200 in 1995 Luis C.Moll and

Norma E.Gonzalez
Language Ideology and Biliteracy
Development: ALongitudinal
Analysis of Learning Through Dual
Language Schooling
Department of Language,
Reading, and Culture
University of Artizona
\$347,950 in 1999

Pamela A.Moss

Developing Coherence Between Assessment and Reform: ARole For Hermeneutics In Licensing and Professional Development of Teachers School of Education University of Michigan 8459.650 in 1997

Michael T. Nettles and Catherine M.Millett

Understanding for Improvement: Finances, Experiences, and Achievements of Doctoral Students School of Education University of Michigan \$390,300 in 1998

Anna Neumann

Professors'Learning and Scholarly Identity Development in the Early Post-Tenure Career College of Education Michigan State University \$279,000 in 1998

Rebecca S.New and Susanna Mantovani

Italian Conceptions of Community, Participation, and Social Responsibility: Child Care as Metaphor Department of Education University of New Hampshire \$182,900 in 1999

Anat Ninio

The Acquisition of Dependency Grammar Department of Psychology Hebrew University of Jerusalem Israel \$218,775 in 1996

Jody D. Nyquist,Ann E. Austin, Jo Sprague,and Donald H. Wulff The Development of Graduate

Students as Prospective Teaching Scholars: ALongitudinal Research Project The Graduate School University of Washington

\$254,450 in 1996

Elinor Ochs and Lisa M.Capps Autistic Children's Narrative

Interactions at School and Home Department of Anthropology University of California, Los Angeles \$394,700 in 1998

Mary Catherine O'Connor Teacher Discourse in Middle School

Mathematics Classrooms Program in Literature, Language, and Culture Boston University \$212,500 in 1996

Patricia K.Phelan and Ann Locke Davidson

Students Multiple Worlds: The Role of School-Based Health Clinics in Mediating Transitions Education Program University of Washington \$292,000 in 1998

David N.Plank and Gary Sykes The Ecology of School Choice

College of Education
Michigan State University
\$315,350 in 1998

Julie A.Reuben

Questioning the Academy: The Impact of the Protest Movements of the 1960s on American Higher Education Graduate School of Education

Harvard University \$268,000 in 1998

Lauren M.Rich and Jerry A. Jacobs Later-Life Education Among Women

in the U.S. School of Social Work University of Pennsylvania \$193,450 in 1999

Virginia Richardson and Gary D. Fenstermacher

Manner in Teaching School of Education University of Michigan \$380,900 in 1998

Joanne Erwick Roberts and

Margaret R.Burchinal A Longitudinal Study of the Role of Language in School Success for African-American Children Frank Porter Graham Child Development Center University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill S227,950 in 1997

Janet Schofield

The Internet in School: Problems and Possibilities Learning Research and Development Center University of Pittsburgh \$149,900 in 1998

Peter Scott and David Smith

Transatlantic Influences: The Impact of American Ideas and Practices on the Development of British Higher Education 1945-1992
School of Education University of Leeds
United Kingdom
\$114,600 in 1998

Robert M.Sellers

Institutional and Programmatic Factors Associated with College Student-Athletes'Academic Success and Failure Department of Psychology University of Michigan \$265,200 in 1995

Robert S.Siegler

Microgenetic Studies of Self-Explanations Department of Psychology Carnegie Mellon University \$286,800 in 1998

Patricia A.Smiley

The Nature and Origins of Individual Differences in Achievement Motivation Among Preschoolers Department of Psychology Pomona College \$130,250 in 1998

Claire E.Smrekar

Schools at the Workplace: The New American Neighborhood? Peabody College Vanderbilt University \$144,500 in 1999

Michael S.Stinson and Barbara G. McKee Speech Recognition as a Support Service for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students: Adaptation and Evaluation National Technical Institute for the Deaf Rochester Institute of Technology \$113.200 in 1998

Kenneth A.Strike Community, State and Market: An Alternative View of School Reform Department of Education Cornell University \$153,800 in 1999

Marcelo M.Suarez-Orozco and Carola Suarez-Orozco The Longitudinal Immigrant Student Adaptation Study Graduate School of Education Harvard University \$479,100 in 1999

Ara S. Tekian
Paths to Diversity in Medical
Education
Department of Medical Education
University of Illinois at Chicago
\$283,700 in 1999

John R. Thelin History of Research Universities in the South, circa 1890 to 1990 Department of Educational Policy Studies University of Kentucky \$95,950 in 1999

Enrique T. Trueba and Yali Zou Achievement Factors Among Best Latino, Asian and Anglo-American High School Students in Houston: An Ethnographic Study of Learning Environments and Strategies Across Languages and Cultures Department of Curriculum and Instruction University of Texas at Austin \$247,300 in 1999 Julianne C. Turner and Carol Midgley Avoidance Beliefs and Behaviors in Mathematics Before and After the Transition to Middle Level Schools: Classroom Influences Department of Psychology University of Notre Dame \$362,650 in 1998

Geoffrey Walford
Faith-Based Schools: AComparative
Study of England and The
Netherlands
Department of Educational
Studies
University of Oxford
United Kingdom
\$111,700 in 1999

Amy Stuart Wells Understanding Race and Education: A Study of Adult Graduates of Racially Mixed High Schools Graduate School of Education and Information Studies University of California, Los Angeles 3345,750 in 1999

James V. Wertsch History as Equipment for Living: A Comparison of the Former Soviet Union and the U.S. Department of Education Washington University \$388,150 in 1999

Maurice Whitehead From Suppression to Restoration: The Educational Work of the English Ex-Jesuits in Continental Europe and Britain, 1773-1814 Centre for Educational Studies University of Hull United Kingdom \$153,000 in 1999 John B. Willett and Judith D. Singer Bridging the Gap Between Methodology and Substance: Advances in Study Design and Statistical Analysis for Educational Research Graduate School of Education Harvard University \$397,950 in 1997

J.Douglas Willms School and Community Effects on Children's Educational and Health Outcomes Atlantic Centre for Policy Research in Education University of New Brunswick Canada \$271,350 in 1997

Mark R. Wilson Content-Flexible Developmental Stage Analysis for Large-Scale Assessments Graduate School of Education University of California, Berkeley \$453.400 in 1999

Samuel S. Wineburg Historical Sense-Making: An Intergenerational Study College of Education University of Washington \$156,800 in 1995

Hanh Cao Yu From Intolerance to Understanding: A Study of Intergroup Relations Social Policy Research Associates Menlo Park, California \$350,000 in 1999

SMALLRESEARCH GRANTS

David W. Adams

Coming of Age on the Southwest Frontier: A Tri-Cultural Study, 1830-1990 College of Education Cleveland State University \$34,350

JoBeth Allen and Linda D. Labbo Photographs of Local Knowledge

Photographs of Local Knowledge Sources: APhOLKS Approach to Culturally Engaged Teaching College of Education University of Georgia \$34,100

Ron A.Astor and Rami Benbenishty

School Violence, School Organization, Peer Groups, and Personal Victimization: ATheoretical Model of Student Fear and Student Assessments of School Violence as Problem School of Social Work University of Michigan \$34.000

Rukmini Banerji and Madhav Chavan

Pre-School to Primary School: The Mumbai Experience Pratham-Mumbai Education Initiative India \$35.000

Angela Calabrese Barton

Science Education for Political
Empowerment and Social Change: A
Case Study of Six Teachers in Lahore,
Pakistan
College of Education
University of Texas at Austin
\$35,000

Charles E.Bidwell

Exploring the High School Faculty Workplace Department of Sociology University of Chicago \$34.990

Amy J.Binder

When Midgets Battle Titans: Afrocentric and Scientific Creationist Challenges to American Public Schools, 1980-2000 Department of Sociology University of Southern California \$33,125

Margaret Zoller Booth

A Study of the Historical Development of Western Schooling in Swaziland Department of Educational

Foundations and Inquiry
Bowling Green State University
\$28,250

Michael Brunn and Gloria Delany-Barmann

Classrooms of Promise: Forging a Tripartite Language Policy that Facilitates Latinos' Access to Literacy Department of Curriculum and Instruction Western Illinois University

Claudia Buchmann

\$34,680

Educational Mobility of Black South Africans at the End of Apartheid Department of Sociology Duke University \$20,250

Kathleen A.Burke and Kathleen Beegle

Why Children aren't attending School: The Case of Rural Tanzania Department of Economics State University of New York College at Cortland \$22,100

Marilyn J.Chambliss

Children as Thinkers Comprehending Arguments and Explanations Department of Curriculum and Instruction University of Maryland at College Park \$35,000

Daniel I.Chazan

Developing an In-Depth Case Study of a Professional Development School Project Department of Teacher Education Michigan State University \$34,650

Ruth Breckinridge Church and Saba Ayman-Nolley Can Peer Instruction be Effective Using the T.V. Medium?

Department of Psychology Northeastern Illinois University \$33,550

Lindsay Clare and Joan L.Herman

Collaborative Professional
Development Settings for Teachers:
Links to Improving the Quality of
Instruction and Student Learning
Center for the Study of Evaluation
University of California, Los
Angeles
33.000

Rosalee A.Clawson

The Portrayal of Poverty in College Textbooks: Is It Depicted as a "Black" Problem? Department of Political Science Purdue University \$28,200

Michael S.David-Fox

Visiting the Great Experiment: The Reception of Foreign Educators and Scholars in Soviet Russia, 1924-1937 Department of History University of Maryland at College Park \$35,000

Robert M.DeKeyser

Monitoring Processes in Spanish as a Second Language during a Study Abroad Program Department of Linguistics University of Pittsburgh \$17,500

Verda Delp

How Students Use Thematic and Structural Vocabulary in their Reflective Writing about Literature Berkeley Public Education Foundation Berkeley, California \$27,100

Irina G. Dezhina

Current Approaches to Strengthening Education through Research in Russian Universities: Outcomes and Prospects U.S. Civilian Research and Development Foundation Arlington, Virginia \$30.430

Ruben Donato

Hispancs and Mexican Americans in Colorado Public Schools, 1920-1934 School of Education University of Colorado at Boulder \$34,300

Anthony Dosen

The Founding of Lay Boards at American Catholic Universities: A Historical Examination of Catholic Identity in the 1950-60's School of Education DePaul University \$35,000

Joel E.Dworin

Examining Children's Biliteracy: Implications for Learning in the Classroom Department of Curriculum and Instruction University of Wisconsin-Madison \$34.850

Anne Haas Dyson

Childhood Cultures, Popular Media, and Early School Literacy Graduate School of Education University of California, Berkeley

Nancy Jocelyn Edwards

Marianne in the Kitchen: Education, Cuisine and National Identity in France, 1880-1945 Department of History Case Western Reserve University \$6,400

Marta Elliott

School Effects on Children's Social and Behavioral Problems in Kindergarten Department of Sociology University of Nevada, Reno \$34,900

Robert E.England, Michael W. Hirlinger, and David W. Wright Second Generation Discrimination and American Indian Education: Lessons Learned from Case Studies Department of Political Science

Oklahoma State University

\$35,000

Robert W. Fairlie Race, Socioeconomic Status, and Flight from Public Schools into Private Schools Department of Economics University of California, Santa

Cruz \$35,000

Zhihui Fang

The Grammatical and Social Construction of Literacy in a Literature-based, Multigrade Classroom

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AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION/SPENCER FOUNDATION PRE-DISSERTATION RESEARCH FELLOWS

Sumaya Abu-Haidar Talking Power: Towards Meaningful Inclusion in Public Deliberation

School of Education University of Colorado at Boulder

Elizabeth Becker Educational Anthropology and

Sociology School of Education University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Tiina Itkonen

Interest Group Influence in the Making of National Special Education Policy Graduate School of Education University of California, Santa Barbara

Carolyn Layzer

Researching Issues of Language, Culture, Power and Identity in Language Minority Populations in Educational Contexts, including Non-Formal Education College of Education Pennsylvania State University

Maria Martinez-Cosio

School Choice and the Link between Educational Quality and Inner-City Neighborhood Revitalization Department of Sociology University of California, San Diego

Mariela Nunez-Janes

Education, Culture, and Ethnic Identity: Constructing 'Hispano/Hispanic'Ethnicity in Bilingual Education Classrooms Department of Anthropology University of New Mexico

John Palmer

Exploring the Bi-Cultural Riddle: A Case Study of How 1.5 Generation Asian American High School Students Negotiate Their Racial Identities College of Education

University of Iowa Nadine Pinede

Literature and the Moral Imagination School of Education Indiana University

Bethany L.Rogers

Social Policy, Teaching and Youth Activism in the 1960s: Views of the National Teacher Corps School of Education New York University

Tammy Schwartz Urban Appalachian Girls: Writing

and Identity College of Education University of Cincinnati Kendra Sisserson

Writing Pedagogy and Assessment Department of Education University of Chicago

Jennifer Somerindyke

The Exclusion of Girls in Rough and Tumble Play Research College of Education University of South Carolina -Columbia

Karen Titsworth

Anyone Can be a Mother, But Not a Mommy: Single Mother's Reflections on Mothering, Being Mothered and Literacy College of Education

University of Cincinnati

Ruth Trinidad Anthropology of Education-Latino/a Communal Education and Empowerment Graduate School of Education University of Utah

Jeannine Williams-Dingus

Teacher Education, Looking Specifically at Families of Black Teachers College of Education University of Washington

AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION/SPENCER FOUNDATION PRE-DISSERTATION TRAVEL GRANTS

Michele Gregoire

Conceptual Change in Preservice Teachers: The Role of Personal Teaching Efficacy and Implicit Theories in Understanding and Implementing Constructivist-Oriented Mathematics Reforms College of Education University of Florida

Elizabeth Hardman Moral Development College of Education University of Florida The American Educational Research Association/Spencer Pre-Dissertation Fellowship Programs are administered by the American Educational Research Association (AERA) through a grant of \$1,250,000 made in the 1997 fiscal year by the Foundation. Inquiries my be directed to: AERA/Spencer Pre-Dissertation Fellowship Programs, The American Educational Research Association, 1230 17th Street NW, Washington, District of Columbia 20036

SPENCER FELLOWS AT THE CENTER FOR ADVANCED STUDY IN THE BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Larry Cuban History of School Reform School of Education Stanford University

Sarah Warshauer Freedman Written Language Acquisition, Teacher Research, Teacher Education, and Urban School Reform Graduate School of Education University of California, Berkeley

Michael Fultz History of African-American Education School of Education University of Wisconsin-Madison Ernest House
Evaluation of Education and Social
Programs
School of Education
University of Colorado at Boulder

Risk and Resilience Research, Developmental Psychology, and Developmental Psychopathology, Biographical Research and Psychoanalysis Graduate School of Education Harvard University

Gil Noam

Fellowship awards are administered by the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences through a grant of \$1,500,000 over five years made in the 2000 fiscal year by the Foundation. Inquiries may be directed to: Director, Center for the Advanced Studies in the Behavioral Sciences, 75 Alta Road, Stanford, CA94305-8090.

ADVANCED STUDIES RESEARCH GROUP PLANNING GRANTS

Anthony S.Bryk Research and Planning for a Postdoctoral Program of Urban Schools

Center for School Improvement University of Chicago \$40,000

Michael Cole Planning for a Postdoctoral Program in Education and Development Center for Human Development University of California, San Diego

Vivian L.Gadsden and Susan H.Fuhrman Establishing an Urban Education Research Fellowship Program Graduate School of Education University of Pennsylvania \$50,000

\$44 200

Andrew Hargreaves and Lorna M.Earl Planning for a Research Group Fellowship

Fellowship International Centre for Educational Change/Ontario Institute for Studies in Education University of Toronto Canada \$50,000

Carl F. Kaestle Federal Education Programs and Local Schools: An Advanced Postdoctoral Research Training Program Education Department

Education Department Brown University \$43,000

David F. Labaree Planning for a Postdoctoral Program in Research on Educational Practice

College of Education Michigan State University \$50,000

James M.McPartland

\$50,000

Planning for a Research Group Fellowship Center for the Social Organization of Schools/Department of Sociology Johns Hopkins University

ADVANCED STUDIES RESEARCH GROUP FELLOWSHIP AWARDS

Anthony S.Bryk Consortium on Chicago School Research: Postdoctoral Training Program Center for School Improvement University of Chicago

\$1,380,000

The Advanced Studies Fellowship Program, through Research Group Fellowship and Institute/Seminar Awards, was established in fiscal year 2000 to strengthen the research capabilities and enhance the professional networks of early career scholars. Institute/Seminar Awards are made to groups of researchers in support of short-term institute- or seminar-like activities designed to advance the research careers of beginning

scholars. No Institute/Seminar Awards were authorized in fiscal year 2000. Research Group Fellowship Awards are made to senior researchers to establish innovative fellowship programs for cohorts of postdoctoral fellows. Those submitting a proposal for Research Group Fellowship funding must have first applied for and been awarded a Planning

RESEARCH TRAINING GRANTS

Graduate School of Education University of California, Berkeley Berkeley, California

Graduate School of Education and Information Studies University of California, Los Angeles Los Angeles, California

Faculty of Humanities University of Cape Town Cape Town, South Africa

Teachers College, Columbia University New York, New York

Division of Educational Studies Emory University Atlanta, Georgia Graduate School of Education Harvard University Cambridge, Massachusetts

College of Education Michigan State University East Lansing, Michigan

School of Education University of Michigan Ann Arbor, Michigan

School of Education and Social Policy Northwestern University Evanston, Illinois

Graduate School of Education University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, Pennsylvania School of Education Stanford University Stanford, California

School of Education University of Wisconsin-Madison

Madison, Wisconsin

The Research Training Grant Program supports research training in the field of education. In the 1997 fiscal year, the Spencer Foundation made grants to nine institutions. Grants to two additional institutions were made in fiscal years 1998 and 1999. In fiscal year 2000, a twelfth grant was awarded. Awards range from \$500,000 to \$2 million, bringing the total amount awarded to all twelve institutions to \$13,200,000.

CONFERENCE GRANTS RELATED TO RESEARCH TRAINING

University of Pennsylvania/ University of California, Los Angeles Doctoral Student Exchange Program. Year Two. Graduate School of Education and Information Studies University of California, Los Angeles and Graduate School of Education

University of Pennsylvania

Preparing Researchers to Study Practice College of Education Michigan State University

Second Planning Retreat for Deans/Directors Participating in the Spencer Foundation's Research Training Grant Program School of Education University of Michigan The Spencer Foundation periodically supports conferences for the community of Research Training Grant institutions to explore topics related to the training of researchers in education. Awards range from \$40,000 to \$50,000. Applications are accepted annually from Research Training Grant institutions.

RESEARCH ON SCHOOL REFORM PLANNING GRANTS

Jacqueline Ancess
The Sustainability of Reform: How
Can a Bottom-Up Reform Survive a
Top-Down School System?
National Center for Restructuring
Education, Schools, and Teaching
Teachers College, Columbia
University in the City of New
York
\$50,000

Jolley Bruce Christman, Thea Abu El-Haj, and Ellen L. Foley Students, Teachers and High Standards Reforms: Negotiating Education Policy, Classroom Practice and Student Outcomes in Philadelphia Middle Schools Research for Action Philadelphia, Pennsylvania \$49,600 Lawrence Hernandez Lowell Community Charter School Research Initiative Graduate School of Education Harvard University \$50,000

M.Bruce King and David Chawszczewski District-wide Standards-Based Reform and Its Impact on Teaching and Learning Wisconsin Center for Education Research University of Wisconsin-Madison \$50,000 Stephanie L.Knight and David A.Erlandson Closing the Urban Gap: The Interaction of Reform and the Achievement of All Students Department of Educational Psychology Texas A & M University

Terry Mazany and Karen K. Wixson Closing the Achievement Gap: The Reculturing of a District Southfield Public Schools Southfield, Michigan 847-520 Research on School Reform Planning Grants

Joseph P. McDonald,LaRue Allen,Norm D. Fruchter, and Ellen Condliffe Lagemann School Reform in New York City: A Planning Proposal School of Education New York University

\$49.950

\$49,950

David G. Meissner, Emily S. Van Dunk, and Anneliese M. Dickman Implementing a Return to Neighborhood Schools: The Dynamics and Challenges of Ending Desegregation Public Policy Forum

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Rodney T. Ogawa Integrating Mathematics Curriculum and Instruction Across Levels of School School of Education University of California, Riverside \$49,800

Judith Haymore Sandholtz and

Kenneth K. Wong
The Consequences of Accountability:
The Effects of Integrated Governance
on Instructional Practices in Chicago
High Schools
Department of Education
University of Chicago
\$49,300

The Research on School Reform Initiative supports teams of researchers investigating the consequences of school reform. Those invited to submit a proposal for funding must have first applied for and been granted a Planning Grant. At this time, no new requests for funding under this initiative are being accepted. Requests for support for research on school reform can be made to the Spencer Foundation's Small Research Grants or Major Research Grants Programs, The Spencer Foundation, 875 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 3930, Chicago, IL60611-1803.

SPENCER FOUNDATION MENTOR NETWORK AWARDS

Margaret A.Eisenhart and Kenneth R.Howe College of Education University of Colorado at Boulder

Karen C.Fuson School of Education and Social Policy Northwestern University

Edward H.Haertel School of Education Stanford University

Violet J.Harris College of Education University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Sylvia Hurtado School of Education University of Michigan

Donna Kerr College of Education University of Washington

Milbrey W. McLaughlin School of Education Stanford University

John U. Ogbu Graduate School of Education University of California, Berkeley

Paul Robert Pintrich Department of Psychology University of Michigan Pamela Barnhouse Walters Department of Sociology Indiana University

Members of the Spencer Foundation Mentor Network receive, at the invitation of the Foundation, \$50,000 over two years to support doctoral students engaged in research on educational issues.

SPENCER FOUNDATION-SPONSORED CONFERENCES

Women's Studies and the Study of Women: What Do We Know About Them and Their Influence? September 30-October 1, 1999 Chicago, Illinois Organizer: Catharine Stimpson New York University

Sociology and Education
March 1-3, 2000
Atlanta, Georgia
Organizers:
Michael Hout
University of California, Berkeley,
Pamela Barnhouse Walters
Indiana University,
and Felice Levine
American Sociological Association

New Directions in the History of Education March 30-31, 2000 Stanford, California Organizers: Ruben Donato University of Colorado at Boulder, and Marvin Lazerson University of Pennsylvania The Spencer Foundation periodically organizes conferences on specific topics pertaining to educational research. The purpose of these conferences is to identify and discuss topics that have not yet been explored or require further development and to develop agendas for research bearing on education that might be conducted. Conference agendas, reports, and participant listings may be found on the Foundation's web site at www.spencer.org.

RESEARCH CONFERENCE GRANTS

Daniel Alexandrov

Current State of Russian Education: What Do We Know About It and How Can We Make Its Assessment? Department of Political Sciences and Sociology European University at St. Petersburg Russia \$43.770

Tom R.Bennett

Second International Conference on Math Education College of Education California State University, San Marcos \$50,000

Mildred Collins Blackman Who Will Lead? Crisis in the Principal's Office Graduate School of Education

Harvard University \$50,000

Christopher T. Cross

Beyond the Standards Horse Race: Implementation, Assessment, and Accountability—The Keys to Improving Student Achievement Council for Basic Education Washington, District of Columbia \$25,000

George Fitchett

George ritchett Twenty Years of Supervision and Training in Ministry: Where Have We Been? Where Will We Go? Department of Religion, Health, and Human Values Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center Chicago, Illinois S33.160

Linda Gordon

International Planning Conference On Education About Women's Movements Department of History New York University \$10.800

Sara Harkness, Charles McAfee Super, and Jesus Palacios

Cultural Strategies for Children's Successful Development School of Family Studies University of Connecticut \$49,923

Heila Jordaan and Claire Penn

Second Symposium on Communication Disorders in Multilingual Populations Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology University of the Witwatersrand South Africa \$30.550

Steven J.Mailloux and Robert J.Blake

The Acquisition of Advanced Literacy Humanities Research Institute University of California, Irvine \$7,600

Karen Maloney

Teacher Workshop on Writing for Publication Harvard Education Letter Harvard University \$23,650

Luther H.Martin

\$14.000

The Academic Study of Religion During the Cold War: Ideological and Theological Constraints, East and West Department of Religion University of Vermont

Kevin McDonough and Walter Feinberg

Collective Rights and Cosmopolitan Values: ANew Research Agenda for Public Education in Liberal-Democratic Societies Department of Culture and Values in Education McGill University Canada \$33.230

Timothy J.McMannon and Wilma F. Smith

Agenda for Education in Democracy: A Forum on Developing Democratic Character in the Young Institute for Educational Inquiry Seattle, Washington \$50,000

Robert T. Michael

Early Results Conference Harris Graduate School of Public Policy Studies University of Chicago \$30.000

Baruch Nevo

A Research Workshop to Facilitate the Development of the Scholarly Aspects of the Field of Peace Education The Center for Research on Peace Education University of Haifa Israel \$12.000

Suzanne M. Perrino and Frances H.Rauscher

Early Childhood Symposium Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania \$25,000

Kent E. Portney and Steve Cohen

From Analog to Digital: Generative Learning and the Challenge of Teaching About Criminal Sentencing Department of Political Science Tufts University \$50.000

David Reinking

Southeast Literacy Consortium Department of Reading Education University of Georgia \$50,000

Gerson Sher and Inta Brikovskis

Assessing the Impact of International Collaboration on Science and Education United States Civilian Research and Development Foundation Arlington, Virginia \$50,000

Crain Soudien

Colloquia on the Status and Development of Educational Research in South Africa School of Education University of Cape Town South Africa \$50.000

Marcelo M.Suarez-Orozco Latinos in the 21st Century

Graduate School of Education Harvard University \$40.400

Gary Sykes and David Nathan Plank School Choice and Educational

Change
College of Education
Michigan State University
\$49.450

Research Conference Grants

Lois Weis and Isabel Marcus Urban Girls: Entering the New Millenium Department of Educational

Organization, Administration, and Policy
State University of New York

at Buffalo \$50,000 Yali Zou and Enrique T. Trueba

The Role of Educational Ethnography in Pedagogy: Critical Ethnography in a Global and Interdisciplinary

Perspective
Educational Leadership and
Cultural Studies
University of Houston

\$33,600

SOUTHERN INITIATIVE

Barnett Berry

Supporting Educational Research & Teaching Quality in the Southeast Southeast Center for Teaching Quality

The University of North Carolina General Administration \$50,000 over one year

Kathryn M.Borman

Support for the planning of a research program for the Florida Educational Research Consortium David C. Anchin Center University of South Florida \$50,000 over six months

Kenneth A.Dodge

Race, Poverty and Education Policy Terry Sanford Institute of Public Policy Duke University \$50,000 over one year

GRANTS IN PROGRESS

Madeleine Grumet and James L. Leloudis Support for the establishment of a

Support for the establishment of a new program entitled, "Race, Ethnicity and Schooling" School of Education University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill \$50,000 in 1999

Jacqueline J.Irvine, Jeffrey E. Mirel, and Vanessa Siddle Walker Establishment of the Southern Consortium for Educational Research in Urban Schools Division of Educational Studies Emory University \$70,000 in 1999

Charles L. Thompson Building North Carolina's Capacity for Policy-Related Research: Planning a Multi-Campus Center

The North Carolina Education Research Council University of North Carolina General Administration \$50,000 in 1999 Southern Initiative grants are intended to provide opportunities to improve and expand educational research in the South. Grants are awarded to university collaboratives for planning, research, fellowships, and training. Foundation staff, through the Office of the Vice President, request and approve proposals.

OTHER GRANTS

Daniel Alexandrov Promoting Modern Studies of Education in Russia

European University, St. Petersburg Russia \$100,000

Anthony S.Bryk

Support of a Postdoctoral Fellow Center for School Improvement University of Chicago \$58,560

Nancy Cantor

Establishment of an endowed chair to be named the Spencer Professorship of Organizational Studies in Education and Business

Department of Academic Affairs University of Michigan \$1,500,000

Thom Clark

\$39,600

Chicago Successful Schools Project Community Media Workshop Chicago, Illinois \$10,000 Council of Foundations Philanthropic Support

Donors Forum of Chicago Philanthropic Support \$17,820

John Q.Easton

Three years of support for the research activities of The Consortium on Chicago School Research The Consortium on Chicago School Research University of Chicago \$490,000

Charles Eisendrath

Support for three Education Journalism Fellowships Michigan Journalism Fellows Program The University of Michigan \$105,000

M.Elizabeth Graue

The Gift of Time: Promoting Risk or Resilience in Young Children Department of Curriculum and Instruction University of Wisconsin-Madison \$50,000

Anne C.Hallett

Planning grant for a study to imple ment the findings from an examina tion of the status of decentralization of key instructional and operations functions in Chicago Cross City Campaign for Urban School Reform

Chicago, Illinois \$40,000

Howard Hiatt

Support for the conference, Evaluation of Educational Policies American Academy of Arts and Sciences \$25,000

ohn F. Jennings

Support for a study of the effects of vouchers on American education Center on Education Policy Washington, D.C. \$25,000

Bill Kovach

Support for one Education Journalism Fellowship Nieman Foundation Harvard University \$35,000

Linda Lenz

Support for "Catalyst: Voices of Chicago School Reform" Community Renewal Society Chicago, Illinois \$155,000

Felice J.Levine

Support for a special issue of "Sociology of Éducation " Magazine American Sociological Association Washington, District of Columbia \$25,000

Donald R.Moore

Educational Quality and Equity Designs for Change Chicago, Illinois \$399,000

Jennifer A.O'Day

From Probation to Progress? School Probation Policies, Practices, and Results in Chicago Elementary Schools

Department of Educational Policy Studies University of Wisconsin-Madison \$416,200

Aaron M. Pallas

Influences on the Development of Young Scholars in Education and the Social Sciences Department of Counseling. Educational Psychology, and Special Education Michigan State University \$24,700

The Philanthropy Roundtable Philanthropic Support

\$2,500 Tides Center/Grantmakers for Education Philanthropic Support \$3,000

Ken Rolling

Expansion of the Chicago Annenberg Research Project Chicago Annenberg Challenge Chicago, Illinois \$150,000

Other Grants

GRANTS IN PROGRESS

Carole Bloch and Mastin Prinsloo Home and School Influences on Early Literacy Learning by South Africa Children

Project for the Study of Alternate Education in South Africa University of Cape Town South Africa \$100,000 in 1999

Ronald S.Burt and Joseph E. Jannotta, Jr. Building Bridges: AStudy of Mentors and the Social Capital of Promising Minorities Chicago Management Council Chicago, Illinois \$45,000 in 1997

Alan S.Chartock Support for coverage of educational research segments on the "Best of Our Knowledge" radio program WAMC Public Radio Albany, New York \$285,000 in 1997

Virginia B.Edwards Underwriting of educational research coverage in "Education Week" and "Teacher Magazine" Editorial Projects in Education Bethesda, Maryland \$291.800 in 1997 Kelly Graves-Desai Harvard Education Letter Initiative: Increasing our Impact on Schools Harvard Education Letter Harvard University \$285,300 in 1998

James Grossman Postdoctoral Fellowships in the History of Education Newberry Library Chicago, Illinois \$220,000 in 1997

John Merrow Support for radio forums on educa tional research Learning Matters, Inc. New York, New York \$323,900 in 1998

Joseph P. Newhouse and Carol H. Weiss Post-Doctoral Fellowships in Evaluating Programs for Children Harvard Project on Schooling and Children Harvard University \$720,600 in 1996 Melissa Roderick
The Effects of the Chicago Public
Schools Promotion Policy and
Summer Bridge Initiative on Student
Achievement and Opportunity to
Learn
School of Social Service
Administration
University of Chicago

Ken Rolling and Mark A.Smylie Evaluation of the Chicago Annenberg Challenge Chicago Annenberg Challenge Chicago, Illinois S320,000 in 1997

\$309,600 in 1999

Andre Schiffrin
Dissemination and Popularization of
Educational Research
The New Press
New York, New York
\$253,800 in 1999

GRANTEE PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED

M.Christopher Brown,III
The Quest to Define Collegiate
Desegregation: Black Colleges, Title
VI Compliance, and Post-Adams
Litigation
Bergin & Garvey
Westport, Connecticut, 1999

The Making of Citizens: Young People, News, and Politics Routledge Publishers New York, 2000

David Buckingham

Richard W. Clark
Effective Professional Development
Schools: Agenda for Education in a
Democracy - Volume 3
Jossey-Bass Publishers
San Francisco, 1999

Barry M. Franklin,Ed. When Children Don't Learn: Student Failure and the Culture of Teaching Teachers College Press Columbia University New York, 1998

Sarah Warshauer Freedman, Elizabeth Radim Simmons, Julie Shalhope Kalnin,Alex Casareno, and The M-Class Teams Inside City Schools Teachers College Press Columbia University New York, 1999

Howard Gardner The Disciplined Mind, What All Students Should Understand Simon & Schuster New York, 1999

Howard Gardner Intelligence Reframed: Multiple Intelligences for the 21st Century Basic Books New York, 1999

Artin Göncü Children's Engagement in the World: Sociocultural Perspectives Cambridge University Press New York, 1999 Rosemary Horowitz Literacy and Cultural Transmission in the Reading, Writing and Rewriting of Jewish Memorial Books Austin & Winfield, Publishers San Francisco, 1998

Peter H.Kahn,Jr.
The Human Relationship with
Nature: Development and Culture
The MIT Press
Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1999

Maurice Kogan and Stephen Hanney Reforming Higher Education Jessica Kingsley Publishers Philadelphia, 2000

Ellen Condliffe Lagemann and Lee S.Shulman Issues in Education Research: Problems and Possibilities Jossey Bass Publishers San Francisco, 1999

Sara Lawrence-Lightfoot Respect: An Exploration Perseus Books Reading, Massachusetts, 1999

Kenneth M.Ludmerer Time to Heai: American Medical Education from the Turn of the Century to the Era of Managed Care Oxford University Press Inc. New York, 1999

Joseph P. McDonald, Thomas Hatch, Edward Kirby, Nancy Ames, Norris M.Haynes, and Edward T. Joiner School Reform Behind the Scenes Teachers College Press Columbia University New York, 1999

Margaret McKeown,Isabel L.
Beck,Rebecca L.Hamilton,and
Linda Kucan
"Questioning the Author"
Accessibles: Easy-Access Resources
for Classroom Challenges
The Wright Group,
Bothell, Washington, 1999

Daniel R.Meier
Scribble Scrabble - Learning to Read
and Write: Success with Diverse
Teachers, Children, and Families
Teachers College Press
Columbia University
New York, 2000

Claire L.Ramsey
Deaf Children in Public Schools:
Placement, Context, and
Consequences
Gallaudet University Press
Washington, District of Columbia,
1997

Claire Smrekar and Ellen Goldring School Choice in Urban America: Magnet Schools and the Pursuit of Equity Teachers College Press Columbia University New York, 1999

Stephen D. Sugarman and Frank R. Kemerer School Choice and Social Controversy: Politics, Policy, and Law Brookings Institution Press Washington, District of Columbia, 1999

C.Gordon Wells
Dialogic Inquiry: Towards a
Sociocultural Practice and Theory of
Education
Cambridge University Press
Cambridge, United Kingdom,
1999

Kenneth K. Wong Funding Public Schools: Politics and Policies University Press of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas, 1999

Ian Westburn,Stefan Hopmann, and Kurt Riquarts Teaching as a Reflective Practice: The German Didaktik Tradition Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, Publishers Mahwah, New Jersey, 2000

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Ines M. Milne

On March 31, 2000, the assets of the Spencer Foundation totaled \$593.3 million. These assets are invested primarily in equities actively managed by Cedarpoint Capital Management, Inc., New York; and in S&P500 and EAFE indexed equity funds managed by State Street Global Advisors, Boston. The Finance and Audit Committee of the Board of Directors, assisted by the Treasurer, oversees the performance of the Foundation's investments, convening regularly (at meetings to which all Directors are invited) to review investment results, to discuss investment policy, and to set the asset allocation policy. The Northern Trust Company is the custodian bank. A complete list of the Foundation's assets is available for inspection at the Foundation.

The Foundation made its first distributions in 1971 and through March 31, 2000 has authorized grants and fellowships of \$248.2 million, of which \$23.4 million remains payable in future fiscal years. During the 2000 fiscal year, the Foundation made payments on grants and fellowships totaling \$25.9 million, and the Board of Directors anticipates making grants at a slightly higher level through the 2001 fiscal year. The audited financial statements of the Spencer Foundation begin on page 48.

Ines M. Milne
Treasurer

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS'REPORT

Board of Directors The Spencer Foundation Chicago, Illinois

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of The Spencer Foundation (an Illinois not-for-profit corporation) as of March 31, 2000 and 1999, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Foundation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit includes examining, on a test

basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Spencer Foundation as of March 31, 2000 and 1999, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION MARCH 31, 2000 AND 1999 (Thousands of Dollars)

(Thousands of Dollars)		
	2000	1999
ASSETS:		
Investments, at quoted market value (cost: 2000-\$254,843; 1999-\$225,473) (Note 3)	\$ 588,235	\$ 538,993
Cash (including funds held by investment custodians: 2000 - \$2,770; 1999 - \$713)	3,509	1,459
Other assets:		
Accrued interest and dividends	150	206
Other	1,442	964
Total Assets	593,336	541,622
LIABILITIES:		
Grants payable (Note 5)	23,360	25,219
Payable to brokers	442	220
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	69	46
Total Liabilities	23,871	25,485
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS (Note 6)	\$ 569,465	\$ 516,137
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2000 AND 1999		
(Thousands of Dollars)		
	2000	1999
REVENUE AND GAINS:		
Dividends	\$ 6,145	\$ 6,223
Interest	268	486
Realized gains, net	56,623	18,223
Increase in unrealized gains, net	19,872	51,133
Total revenue and gains	82,908	76,065
GRANTS AND OTHER EXPENSES:		
Grants authorized (Note 5)	24,470	22,018
Administrative expenses	3,674	2,802
Investment services	917	858
Excise taxes (Note 4)	519	256
Total grants and other expenses	29,580	25,934
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	53,328	50,131
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS - Beginning of year	516,137	466,006
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS - End of year	\$ 569,465	\$ 516,137

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2000 AND 1999

(Thousands of Dollars)

	2000	1999
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Increase in net assets	\$ 53,328	\$ 50,131
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets		
to net cash flows from operating activities:		
Gain on sale of investments, net	(56,623)	(18,223)
Unrealized gain on investments, net	(19,872)	(51,133)
Depreciation	209	120
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accrued interest and dividends	56	(80)
Other assets	(121)	(17)
Grants payable	(1,859)	(2,213)
Payable to brokers	222	17
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	23	(346)
Net cash flows from operating activities	(24,637)	(21,744)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchases of investments	(73,856)	(26,620)
Proceeds from sales of investments	101,109	49,574
Capital expenditures	(566)	(759)
Net cash flows from investing activities	26,687	22,195
INCREASE IN CASH	2,050	451
CASH - Beginning of year	1,459	1,008
CASH - End of year	\$ 3,509	\$ 1,459
See notes to financial statements.		

NOTES TO FINANCIALSTATEMENTS YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2000 AND 1999

(Thousands of Dollars)

1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

The Spencer Foundation ("Foundation"), organized in 1962, is the residuary legatee under the Will of Lyle M. Spencer, deceased. The Foundation was established to support research aimed at the improvement of education. Support is derived primarily from returns on the Foundation's investments.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investments - Investments are carried at fair market value, net of deferred excise tax on net unrealized gains.

Grants - Grants are recorded in the accounts when authorized by the Board of Directors and awarded by the Foundation. Unexpended funds awarded and subsequently returned are recorded when refunded by the grantees.

3. INVESTMENTS

Quoted market values are used to value investments other than index funds, which are carried based on fair values provided by the fund managers, and real estate, which is carried at market value provided by the real estate fund. Realized gains or losses are determined by comparison of cost, determined on a first-in, first-out basis, to proceeds from sales. Investment transactions are recorded in the accounts on the trade date. The cost of investment securities represents the amount paid for securities purchased, adjusted for accretion of discount or amortization of premium on bonds purchased. Dividends and interest income are recorded on the accrual basis.

The cost and fair market value of investments at March 31 were as follows:

	2000		1999		
		Market		Market	
	Cost	Value	Cost	Value	
Index funds Common stocks Real estate funds	\$ 145,404 106,810 2,629	\$ 353,517 238,324 2,290	\$ 135,481 86,838 3,154	\$ 313,939 228,094 2,728	
Total	\$ 254,843	594,131	\$ 225,473	544,761	
Deferred federal excise tax		(5,896)		(5,768)	
Total		\$ 588,235		\$ 538,993	

4. TAXES

Excise Tax - The Foundation qualifies as a private foundation and, as a result, is subject to a federal excise tax of two percent on net investment income, as defined. If the average payout ratio for the past five years plus one percent of net investment income in the current year, as defined, is less than the current year's charitable distributions, federal excise tax is payable at one percent of net investment income, as defined. The Foundation paid federal excise tax of one percent in each of the years ended March 31, 2000 and 1999.

The quoted market value of investments was reduced by \$5,896 and \$5,768 at March 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively, representing the federal excise taxes which would become payable if the net unrealized gains were realized. The change in such deferred taxes is applied against the change in unrealized gains in the statements of activities.

A private foundation which does not distribute an amount equal to a minimum return on assets, as defined in the Internal Revenue Code, is subject to an excise tax of 15 percent on the income not so distributed. Distributions in any year in excess of the amount required may be carried forward to future years and be applied against the required distribution.

Income Tax - The Foundation is a not-for-profit organization in the State of Illinois and is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

5. COMMITMENTS

Grant

The Foundation has authorized but unpaid grants outstanding as of March 31, 2000, payable as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending March 31	Amount
2001	\$ 13,593
2002	6,403
2003	2,115
2004	784
2005	465
Total	\$ 23,360

Payments on authorized but unpaid grants may be accelerated upon mutual agreement between the Foundation and the grantees.

Rental

During the fiscal year ended March 31, 1999, The Foundation signed a sublease for a new office location. This new operating lease, commencing May 1, 1999, requires minimum annual rental payments plus certain common area maintenance charges. The lease provides for annual rent increases effective May 1 each year. Rent expense was approximately \$557 and \$244 for the years ended March 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively, of which \$422 related to the new sublease.

Future minimum annual rental commitments under the new lease are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending March 31	Amount
2001	\$ 435
2002	442
2003	450
2004	458
2005	465
Thereafter	1,772
Total	\$ 4,022

6. UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Unrestricted net assets are composed of the following amounts:

		2000	1999
Principal	8	82,203	\$ 82,203
Cumulative excess of grants and other expenses			
over revenue (cumulative grants authorized of			
\$248,230 at March 31, 2000)		(142,660)	(119,493)
Cumulative net realized gains on sales of investments		296,530	239,907
Unrealized gains in investment portfolio	_	333,392	 313,520
Total	\$	569,465	\$ 516,137

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7. PROFESSIONALDEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

During 1996, the Foundation established a Professional Development Research and Documentation Program (the "Program") jointly with The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation ("MacArthur"). The program provided grants for research in the area of professional development in schools and provided a total of \$3 million in grants over a four-year period which ended in 1999. Under the joint venture agreement, the Foundation administered the program and contributed 25 percent of the total awards and 50 percent of administration costs. MacArthur provided the remaining 75 percent of total awards and 50 percent of administration costs. At March 31, 2000, the cash balance of the Foundation included \$299 of funds advanced from MacArthur not yet disbursed under the Program; the contra amount was included in grants payable.

8. RETIREMENT PLAN

The Foundation participates in a multi-employer contributory annuity retirement plan in conjunction with the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America ("TIAA-CREF") for which substantially all employees are eligible. Expenses related to the retirement plan approximated \$202 and \$178 in 2000 and 1999, respectively. The Foundation funds its pension costs on a current basis in accordance with TIAA-CREF requirements.