HUMANITIES PERSPECTIVES on ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
A New NEH Initiative

• Funds research that seeks to understand and address the ethical, legal, and societal implications of AI.

• NEH is particularly interested in projects that explore the impacts of AI-related technologies on truth, trust, and democracy; safety and security; and privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties.

• See: NEH.gov/Al for more info.
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- Several NEH grant programs are participating in this initiative, including HRCAI, DOT, and others.
- A key takeaway: The NEH is keen to demonstrate that in order to face global challenges, we need the perspective of humanities researchers.
- AI is one such area.
HRCAI aims to support a more holistic understanding of artificial intelligence (AI) in the modern world through the creation of new humanities research centers.

- Centers must focus their scholarly activities on exploring the ethical, legal, or societal implications of AI.
- Centers must be led by scholars in the humanities or humanistic social sciences, but should include scholars from multiple disciplines.
- Maximum award amount is $750,000
- Draft due: January 10, 2024
- Deadline: February 14, 2024
Some of the most challenging questions of today are intertwined with technology.

Our goal with this program is to turn the lens of the humanities and humanistic social sciences onto technology, broadly defined, and explore how it impacts our society.

We hope to attract scholars from a wide range of disciplines interested in tackling these critical contemporary issues.

DANGERS & OPPORTUNITIES OF TECHNOLOGY: PERSPECTIVES FROM THE HUMANITIES

Apply to NEH’s new grant program to support research that examines technology and its relationship to society and culture.

Possible research topics include:

- social media, disinformation, and the democratic process
- medicine & pandemic response
- wealth inequality
- data privacy and ethics of AI
- cryptocurrencies and NFTs
- supply chains and infrastructure
- streaming economy (e.g., music, television, film)
Two kinds of applicants:

- Individual researcher (up to $75K)
- Research team (up to $150K)

Deadline: September 12, 2024
Thank you.

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