The increasing importance of the humanities in varied fields such as national security, biomedical science, computer science, geography, and international affairs is recognized by other federal funding agencies, including the Department of Defense and the National Institutes of Health. Selected programs include the following:

**Department of Defense:** “The Minerva Initiative is a Department of Defense (DoD)-sponsored university-based social science research initiative launched by the Secretary of Defense in 2008 focusing on areas of strategic importance to U.S. national security policy. The goal of the Minerva Initiative is to improve DoD’s basic understanding of the social, cultural, behavioral, and political forces that shape regions of the world of strategic importance to the U.S.” (“Program History and Overview,” U.S. Department of Defense, accessed March 30, 2015, http://minerva.dtic.mil/overview.html).

**The National Institutes of Health:** “Research that examines the ELSI (ethical, legal and social implications) of genomic research is often highly multi-disciplinary. To be successful, an ELSI investigator must couple a deep grounding in one or more relevant disciplines with experience using an array of research methodologies and conceptual frameworks, from the social, behavioral, clinical and genomic sciences, law and the humanities” (“Notice of NHGRI Participation in PA-14-015 Ruth L. Kirschstein NRSA Institutional Research Training Grants (Parent R32) and Establishment of a New Training Program in the Ethical, Legal and Social Implications of Genetic and Genomic Research,” National Human Genome Research Institute, accessed March 30, 2015, http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-HG-15-004.html).

**The National Science Foundation:** “The Digging into Data Challenge encourages humanities and social science research using large-scale data analysis, challenging scholars to develop international partnerships and explore vast digital resources, including electronic repositories of books, newspapers and photographs to identify new opportunities for scholarship (“The Digging into Data Challenge Merges Humanities and Social Science Research with Data Analysis,” National Science Foundation, accessed March 30, 2015, http://www.nsf.gov/news/mmg/mmg Disp.jsp?med_id=63424&from=).


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