



CONSORTIUM *of* SOCIAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATIONS

2019 MEMBER BENEFITS

Building a stronger **social and behavioral science research** community. **Together.**

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Meet COSSA

COSSA is a nonprofit advocacy organization working to promote sustainable federal funding for and widespread use of social and behavioral science research as well as federal policies that positively impact the conduct of research. COSSA serves as a united voice for a broad, diverse network of organizations, institutions, communities, and stakeholders who care about a successful and vibrant social science research enterprise. The COSSA membership includes professional and disciplinary associations, scientific societies, research centers and institutes, and U.S. colleges and universities.

Our team of lobbyists and policy experts represent the interests of the social and behavioral science research community before the United States Congress and Executive Branch agencies. In addition, as you will read below, we produce resources to assist social science researchers, faculty, students, administrators, stakeholders, and other enthusiasts in their own outreach efforts to communicate the value of social and behavioral science research to decision-makers.

I invite you to join the 50 other colleges and universities working with COSSA to support the social and behavioral sciences!

Member Benefits

As a COSSA member, your institution—and any faculty, students or administrators affiliated with it—will receive several members-only resources as well as early access to our publicly-available materials. Below is a sampling of our activities and products.

Timely, In-depth Analysis & Policy Expertise

COSSA serves as a reliable resource for in-depth analysis of legislation, proposed regulations, and other policy developments impacting social and behavioral science research. The team of policy experts boil down often-complicated topics into easy-to-digest briefs, articulating how the issue specifically impacts the social and behavioral science community. COSSA's ADVOCACY webpage (www.cossa.org/advocacy) is a rich source for statements, funding analysis, testimony, and other resources. In addition, COSSA's experts are on hand to answer questions or provide formal presentations to audiences of all sizes on the policy landscape, recent developments, and future outlook. Get in touch with the team at www.cossa.org/about/staff.

Annual University Social Science Rankings

COSSA's annual *College and University Rankings for Federal Social and Behavioral Science R&D* highlight the top university recipients of federal research dollars in the social and behavioral sciences. The rankings are often picked up by university press offices and other media outlets. Based on federally collected data, the COSSA rankings use an inclusive selection of fields to calculate the total federal R&D funding received by universities in the social and behavioral sciences. The 2019 rankings reflect expenditures in fiscal year 2017. See how your university ranks and play with our interactive dashboard at www.cossa.org/resources/sbs-r-d-rankings.



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College and University Rankings for Federal Social and Behavioral Science R&D

RANK	INSTITUTION	2018-2019 R&D (\$ MIL)
1	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor*	\$117,138,000
2	University of Wisconsin, Madison*	\$48,717,000
3	University of Maryland, College Park*	\$45,481,000
4	University of Washington, Seattle*	\$32,769,000
5	University of Washington, Seattle*	\$30,385,000
6	New York University	\$21,384,000
7	University of California, Berkeley	\$18,408,000
8	University of North Texas, Texas	\$17,160,000
9	University of Utah	\$16,402,000
10	Arizona State University*	\$25,716,000
11	University of Texas at Austin*	\$22,618,000
12	The University of Texas at Dallas*	\$20,717,000
13	University of Wisconsin, Madison*	\$18,408,000
14	University of Wisconsin, Madison*	\$18,408,000
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*Private Social Member Institutions (see www.cossa.org/advocacy)

We also cover the National Center for Science and Education Statistics' Higher Education Research and Development (HERD) survey for fiscal year 2017. The "Federal R&D" column lists combined federal research and development expenditures for each university, including, but not limited to, the following:

For more information visit www.cossa.org/advocacy or www.cossa.org/resources/sbs-r-d-rankings

Social Science Advocacy Day

Each spring, COSSA members from across the country are invited to come to Washington for Social Science Advocacy Day. Members who volunteer to participate meet with their Congressional delegations to discuss the value of social science research and the importance of federal funding support. Members are provided all necessary materials, including handouts and talking points, and also receive hands-on advocacy training. This is the only coordinated cross-disciplinary advocacy day in support of social and behavioral science research. This year's Advocacy Day festivities are scheduled for April 30-May 1, 2019. Learn more at www.cossa.org/event/2019-advocacy-day.

COSSA Headlines

Headlines is a monthly webchat exclusively for COSSA members to learn about the latest policy and funding developments impacting social science research. The COSSA team, joined by periodic special guests, take you behind the headlines and explain what you need to

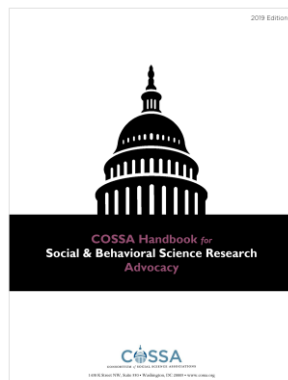


know. Headlines is an interactive space where COSSA members get the policy-related

information they need *when* they need it. Learn more at www.cossa.org/resources/headlines.

Advocacy Training

The COSSA team offers advocacy and policy training to interested members at no additional cost (travel expenses may be an exception). COSSA's policy experts design an event to fit the needs of the organization, from 1-hour virtual webinars to half-day or longer in-person workshops. Members work with the team to develop a program that best meets an institution's goals. Contact Wendy Naus (wnaus@cossoa.org) for more information.



Grassroots Action Alerts

COSSA issues alerts to members when action is needed on a federal policy issue. Our alert platform allows members to easily write to their elected officials in Congress and tailor the communication to highlight their own expertise and local impacts. COSSA members

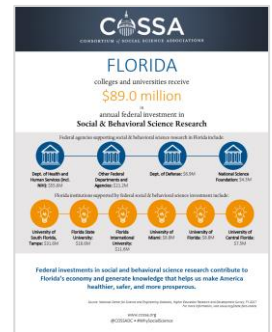
receive background information and talking points to help them craft their message to lawmakers. Check out COSSA's TAKE ACTION page at www.cossa.org/advocacy/take-action.

COSSA Washington Update

COSSA's most recognizable public resource is its biweekly newsletter, the *COSSA Washington Update*. A staple deliverable since COSSA's earliest days, Update provides members and the public with comprehensive, timely analysis of policy developments impacting social and behavioral science research. Check it out and subscribe for free online at www.cossa.org/washington-update.

State Funding Fact Sheets

COSSA's state funding fact sheets use federally collected data to show how much federal social and behavioral science research funding is awarded to each state annually. The fact sheets also list the primary federal sources of this funding (e.g. NSF, NIH, DOD), as well as the leading institutional recipients of funding in your state. See how your state stacks up at www.cossa.org/resources/state-fact-sheets.



Advocacy Resources

The COSSA website houses lots of resources for members wishing to engage in advocacy. There you will find the *COSSA Advocacy Handbook*, funding- and policy-related talking points, and policy briefs on a variety of topics. You can also find links to Congressional and federal agency websites that are relevant to social science research. Find this and more at www.cossa.org/resources.

Why Social Science?

COSSA's *Why Social Science?* initiative continues in 2019 with regular blog posts from guest contributors. *Why Social Science?* aims to offer insights about the value of the social sciences to our everyday lives. Past pieces have highlighted the breadth of the social and behavioral sciences and the reach of our sciences in tackling a diversity of issues, from national security, to natural disasters, to the use of data for improving public services. More at www.whysocialscience.com.



Why Join COSSA?

As the political and financial challenges surrounding funding for social and behavioral science research continue and intensify, organizations like COSSA—and the participation of its members—provide a much-needed first line of defense. We have been successful in combating challenges over the years in large part because the COSSA community has worked together.

In addition, COSSA membership provides necessary visibility for social and behavioral science research within institutions large and small. Whether you are a small liberal arts college or a large university system, the COSSA partnership enables diverse higher education institutions to speak with one voice toward a common goal—to preserve and protect the undeniable place of social and behavioral science research in creating a safer, healthier, and more prosperous world.

I invite you to read our Annual Reports (www.cossa.org/press-publications) for details on recent activities and achievements.

Membership Dues

University dues are set according to the amount of annual federal grant funding received for social and behavioral science research according to most current federally-collected data (more here: www.cossa.org/members/join-cossa). The dues amount correlates to your institution's social science research funding in our annual rankings (see above for details). COSSA operates on a calendar year budget and can prorate dues according to your start date. We also offer multi-year membership options at a discount.

University Dues for 2019

Fed SBS (\$)	1 year	2 years	3 years
>\$40M	\$4,400	\$8,500 (\$4,250/year) Save \$150/year	\$12,450 (\$4,150/year) Save \$250/year
\$20M-\$40M	\$3,500	\$6,800 (\$3,400/year) Save \$100/year	\$9,900 (\$3,300/year) Save \$200/year
\$10M-\$20M	\$2,850	\$5,500 (\$2,750/year) Save \$100/year	\$8,100 (\$2,700/year) Save \$150/year
\$3M-\$10M	\$2,300	\$4,450 (\$2,225/year) Save \$75/year	\$6,600 (\$2,200/year) Save \$100/year
<\$3M	\$1,200	\$2,300 (\$1,150/year) Save \$50/year	\$3,300 (\$1,100/year) Save \$100/year

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30-DAY TRIAL MEMBERSHIP TODAY!**
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