Social Science/Humanities Postdoctoral Research Positions Available at UCSB's Center for Nanotechnology in Society

The National Science Foundation's Center for Nanotechnology in Society at the University of California, Santa Barbara has immediate openings for 1-2 postdoctoral research positions for scholars interested in societal aspects of emerging technologies, with a particular focus on nanotechnology. Successful candidates will contribute to one of three collaborative Interdisciplinary Research Groups (IRGs) addressing: 1) the historical context of nanoscience and technology; 2) the effects of nanotech R&D and policy on economic development in the global economy, with regional focus on East Asia and Latin America; or 3) multiple party risk perception and public deliberation in the US, Europe and Asia. Applicants may either propose a new project within the scope of the IRG or, in some instances, apply to join an ongoing project. See cns.ucsb.edu for further information about CNS-UCSB activities and application procedures.

Compensation and Requirements: Starting salary is \$44,000 or above, depending on experience, plus benefits. Postdocs also receive a \$5000/yr. grant for individual research and travel expenses. Initial appointment is for one year, potentially renewable for up to two additional years. Postdocs are full-time employees at UC Santa Barbara, and must be in residence and contribute fully to CNS activities during the term of the appointment, with no teaching duties.

Eligibility: Applicants must have completed the Ph.D. by December 31, 2011 in a field such as anthropology, communication, environmental studies, history of science and technology, political science, science and technology studies, social psychology, sociology, or other related discipline. Prior work in nanotechnology research is desirable but not necessary. You must have a record of achievement in conducting independent research and communicating research results via publications and presentations, and be willing to participate in collaborative, interdisciplinary research activities.

Application Procedure: Applicants must provide: 1) a completed application form, including a personal narrative (1,000 words max.) explaining your interest in and relevant background for the position, and the names and contact information of two references; 2) a graduate transcript showing proof of degree completion; 3) a full c.v.; and 4) a relevant sample of published or submitted work. Preferred submission for all materials is by email to cboggs@cns.ucsb.edu. If using U.S. mail: Dr. Cathy Boggs, CNS-UCSB Acting Education Director, ISBER MC 2150, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106-2150. Phone: (805) 893-8850.

Review of applications begins **November 15, 2011**, but positions will remain open until filled. Appointments begin as early as January 1, 2012, although later start dates may be negotiable.

We are especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community through research and service. UCSB is an EO/AA Employer.