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Regards,
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Keep the conversations going!

The field has hosted 12 [Critical Conversations](#) and counting! Join us at the remaining few or give us feedback via the [website](#). Several chapters in the [new RFA process](#) have just been posted for public comment. Click the feedback icon on the left side of the page to share your specific input – be sure to note the document, page number and line number.



Building the CCCCCO team

With retirements at the CCCCCO, we are relooking at the skills composition here at the CCCCCO. An open exam is being held for those interested in our Specialist classification over the next year. Please apply at: <http://extranet.cccco.edu/Portals/1/InternalOps/1cc10%20Spec%20Gen%20Voc%20Ed%202012.pdf>.

An appreciation to the Voters and to YOU

We are all grateful to the voters for passing Proposition 30. As we approach Thanksgiving, let's also thank all the leaders amongst you who have volunteered time to reflect on our system's challenges and forge a [pro-active framework](#) to move us forward. Please join me in acknowledging the contributions of the following over the last year:

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NSF Funding Opportunity

The [National Science Foundation \(NSF\)](#) has announced a funding opportunity under the [Computing Education for the 21st Century \(CE21\)](#) program, with \$15 million to support 13 to 20 grant awards per year. Community colleges are among the eligible applicants. *Full proposals are due March 13, 2013.*

Innovation in information technology (IT) not only drives our economic growth, but also underlies scientific advances and ensures our national security. Yet, only about 60 percent of the computing-related degrees that U.S. industry will need over the next decade are being produced by U.S. universities and colleges. This shortfall is further exacerbated by the longstanding under-representation of women, persons with disabilities, African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, and indigenous peoples in computing, who together make up some 70 percent of our population. Their participation, which would contribute their talents and creativity, is essential to the nation's ability to fully participate in a competitive world economy

Through the creation of a robust research community, CE21 projects will contribute to developing competencies that position students to contribute to an increasingly computationally empowered citizenry.

CE21 will accept applicants from universities and two- and four-year colleges, including community colleges

accredited in and having a campus located in the U.S. Please access the [full program solicitation](#) for more information on the CE21 program and guidelines for eligibility, preparation, proposal submission, and deadlines.

National Effort to Promote Advanced Manufacturing

On November 9th, at Carnegie Mellon University, President Obama launched the Advanced Manufacturing Partnership (AMP), a national effort bringing together industry, universities, and the federal government to invest in the emerging technologies that will create high quality manufacturing jobs and enhance our global competitiveness. Investing in technologies, such as information technology, biotechnology, and nanotechnology, will support the creation of good jobs by helping U.S. manufacturers reduce costs, improve quality, and accelerate product development.

The President's plan, which leverages existing programs and proposals, will invest more than \$500 million to jumpstart this effort. The President believes that even as we live within our means, we must invest to win the future. Investments will be made in the following key areas: building domestic manufacturing capabilities in critical national security industries; reducing the time needed to make advanced materials used in manufacturing products; establishing U.S. leadership in next-generation robotics; increasing the energy efficiency of manufacturing processes; and developing new technologies that will dramatically reduce the time required to design, build, and test manufactured goods. Leading universities and companies will compliment these federal efforts helping to invent, deploy and scale these cutting-edge technologies.

For more information, visit: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2011/06/24/president-obama-launches-advanced-manufacturing-partnership>