

**TABLE 7**  
**APSA National Salary Scale 1996–97**

APSA Position:	Equivalent Government Grade	1996 Federal Salary Scale	1996–97 APSA Grade	1996–97 APSA Salary Scale	Number of Employees	
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<i>Political Scientists:</i>						
Executive Director	SES	96,696–118,014	8	90,000–115,000	1	
Deputy Director	15	73,486– 95,531	7	70,000– 94,000	1	
Program Directors	13–14	52,867– 81,217	6	45,000– 90,000	2	1
<i>Non-Political Scientists:</i>						
Program Managers	11–12	37,094– 57,800	5	35,000– 46,000	4	
Senior Administrative Assistant	9–10	30,658– 43,888	4	29,000– 42,000	2	
Staff Assistant; Building Manager	7–8	25,061– 36,088	3	24,000– 36,000	5	
Admin. Asst., Receptionist	4–6	18,085– 29,320	2	19,000– 29,000	5	

ernance, the organization of the Committees on the Status of Women, Blacks, and Chicanos in the Profession, and the development of the Association's international programs. Beach has also served as Secretary and Treasurer of the National Capitol Area Political Science Association and as an officer of the Southern Political Science Association.

APSA's archives encompass approximately 70 linear feet and 13 ranges of shelving. Extensive gleaning efforts have begun under the direction of Walter Beach who worked to find the archives' new home.

**NSF Funding Update**

*Editor's Note: The following is reprinted from a September 25 posting to PSRT-L by Rick Wilson, Political Science Program Officer, NSF.*

The fiscal 1997 Veterans Affairs–Housing and Urban Development spending measure (containing the National Science Foundation budget line) of \$84.7 billion was approved by the House of Representatives on September 25 and forwarded to the White House for signature by the president. For the NSF, that pro-

vides a total appropriation of \$3.270 billion, an amount that is \$50 million, or about 2%, over the FY 1996 level. For research and related activities, the conferees adopted the Senate's recommendation of \$2.432 billion which is \$118 million—or 5.1% over the FY 1996 level. The appropriation for research and related activities includes \$50 million for the large scale academic research instrumentation. Also available in this appropriation account is \$1.4 million as a contingency to meet tariff requirements associated with the Gemini telescope project.

The education and human resources activity is to be funded at \$619 million—an amount equal to the budget request. This is \$7 million above the House recommendation and \$5 million below the Senate's recommendation. Within the agreed upon funding level, the conferees made the following changes to the education budget request: +\$10 million for informal science education to be used in conjunction with overall systemic reform efforts; +\$2.5 million for EPSCoR; –\$2 million from graduate programs; –\$5 million from undergraduate programs; –\$2.5 million from precol-

lege curriculum development; and –\$3 million from research, evaluation, and communications.

The major research equipment (MRE) activity, which supports the construction of the Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory (LIGO) and South Pole Station Safety project, is funded at \$80 million. The MRE appropriation is sufficient to keep these two important projects on schedule. The conferees agreed to fund NSF's salaries and expenses account at the Senate level of \$134 million. This amount is equal to the NSF request for FY 1997 and averts the staffing and operational disruptions that could have occurred under the House passed level for this account. The Office of Inspector General is to be funded at \$4.69 million, which is identical to the budget request.

The conferees dropped a House provision from the bill concerning restrictions on the use of funds regarding the procurement of a super-computer.

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**The Rowman & Littlefield Award for Innovative Teaching in Political Science**

Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc., proudly announces the establishment of the Rowman & Littlefield Award for Innovative Teaching in Political Science. The award, which carries a \$500 cash stipend, will be presented each year, beginning in 1997, at the President-Elect's Reception at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting.

The Innovative Teaching Award will recognize political scientists who develop effective new approaches to teaching in the discipline. The award seeks to honor a wide range of new directions in teaching, not a particular new direction. Thus, in one year a professor might be chosen because of an innovative course syllabus; in

**Correction**

In a listing of standing APSA committees, the Committee on the Status of Lesbians and Gays was inadvertently not included. The chair of the committee is Harry Hirsch, University of California-San Diego. He may be reached via e-mail at [hirsch@weber.ucsd.edu](mailto:hirsch@weber.ucsd.edu).