**Grant Title:** CHANGING FACES OF AMERICA'S CHILDREN - YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAM

**Funding Opportunity Number:** N/A

**Agency/Department:** Foundation for Child Development (FCD).

**Area of Research:** Research on the development of children in immigrant families from birth to age ten.

**Release and Expiration:** N/A

**Application Deadline:** November 3, 2010.

**Amount:** Up to $150,000 (inclusive of overhead). Three to four fellowships are awarded per year.

**Length of Support:** One year to five years.

**Eligible Applicants:** Scholars must have earned their Ph.D. within the 15 years prior to June 30, 2010. Applicants must hold a Ph.D. or its equivalent in one of the behavioral and social sciences or in an allied professional field (e.g., public policy, public health, education, social work, nursing, medicine). Applicants may either: (a) not have received tenure and hold a full-time, tenure-track faculty position at an American college or university located in the United States. Please note tenure equivalent positions are not eligible for the fellowship; (b) have received tenure within the past four years at the time of application and hold a full-time faculty position at an American college or university located in the United States. Applicants must be United States citizens, legal permanent residents, or those who have employment authorization from the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services for the duration of the award. Special consideration will be given to candidates who are more junior in their careers. Candidates from diverse backgrounds are highly encouraged to apply. FCD is committed to supporting scholars from traditionally underrepresented groups. The award is intended to support the individual career development of the recipient. Proposed research that is structured to include co-principal investigators is ineligible.

**Summary:** The FCD Young Scholars Program (YSP) focuses on understanding the changing faces of the nation's children as reflected in the current demography of the United States. YSP seeks to support a new generation of scholars conducting research on the development of children in immigrant families from birth to age ten, particularly those who are living in low-income families. Given the limited research on young immigrant children, proposals focused on children from birth to age eight are highly encouraged. The goals of this competitive award program are to: 1. Stimulate both basic and policy-relevant research in this area. 2. Support the career development of young investigators - from the behavioral and social sciences or in an allied professional field - to attain tenure or who have received tenure in the last four years from a college or university in the United States. Fellowship recipients are expected to produce a book or article(s) suitable for publication, and to articulate how their research may potentially inform public policies regarding young newcomer children. The Foundation for Child Development is interested in research that can inform policies regarding the health and education needs of young newcomer children in the United States. Proposals may include research designs for an empirical study, pilot work for a larger scale research project that will seek funding from other public and private funders, or analysis of data previously collected. Research areas of interest are limited to the following: 1. Factors contributing to both positive and negative outcomes for young immigrant children in their communities and schools. 2. Individual and group identity formation among young children from a variety of groups living in different environments. 3. The experiences of newcomer children in early education, kindergarten, and elementary school programs. 4. Language development among immigrant children. 5. Evaluation of the impact of public policies in health and in education that affect the life prospects of newcomer children.