Humanities Division 2016-17 Fellowships for In-Residence Students

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I. Stuart Tave Teaching Fellowships (NELC application deadline: January 12)

In 2016-2017, the Humanities Collegiate Division will fund up to five Stuart Tave teaching fellowships in the College. Each department in the Humanities Division may sponsor up to two advanced graduate students who then compete for these fellowships across the Humanities Division. The final decision on fellowships is made by a divisional selection committee convened by the Humanities Collegiate Division. Teaching Fellows will receive the standard College lectureship rate ($5,000) for the individual undergraduate course they will teach in the College. This fellowship is for one quarter only. Recipients of these fellowships may not defer the fellowships to a later year.

Stuart Tave Teaching Fellows teach one undergraduate course of their own design in the department sponsoring their project. This course can be taught in any of the three regular quarters of the academic year, depending on their department’s wishes. Courses are to be designed by the graduate students, and they should reflect their intellectual interests. However, the intent of this fellowship is to provide engaging and interesting courses for undergraduates—courses that are suitable for the department’s undergraduate curriculum as well as having a broader appeal. Course proposals that too closely mirror the dissertation research of applicants are often not suitable for undergraduate courses. Examples of past
Tave syllabi are SPAN 23013 and ENGL 25925.

Graduate students must be ABD by January 31 of the academic year prior to the year in which their course is offered, and each student must submit an electronic copy of one chapter of their dissertation as part of their application.

Applicants should submit the following files in pdf to the Department Coordinator amanday@uchicago.edu:

1. The student's current CV,
2. A course title, a course description, a reading list or the applicant’s syllabus,
3. A chapter of the student’s dissertation,
4. One letter of recommendation from a faculty member directly sent to the Department Coordinator.

Teaching Fellows will receive $5,000 for the individual undergraduate course they will teach in the College. This fellowship is for one quarter only. Recipients of these fellowships may not defer the fellowships to a later year. Recipients of the Tave Fellowship must agree to allow the Humanities Division to post their course syllabi on the Humanities Division internal fellowships website as examples of winning courses.

https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/Tave%20syllabus%201.pdf#overlay-context=students/financial-aid/fellowships/internal-fellowships
https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/ENGL%2025925.pdf#overlay-context=students/financial-aid/fellowships/internal-fellowships

II. Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships (application deadline: February 8)

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowships are for Ph.D. students in their first five years or two-year M.A. students in their second years who must study certain languages for their programs. In 2016-2017, the University will be accepting applications for languages in five world areas: East Europe, Latin America, Middle East, South Asia and East Asia. The FLAS program provides funding for study on campus during the academic year and on campus or elsewhere (domestic or abroad) during the summer.

Humanities CMES, LACS, and doctoral students who will register for qualifying language courses in 2016-2017 are strongly encouraged to apply for an Academic Year FLAS. Students receiving no stipend in 2016-2017 who are awarded a FLAS will receive a $15,000 stipend and student life fee coverage in addition to their University of Chicago Fellowship. Students receiving a stipend/teaching remuneration combination in 2016-2017 will receive, in addition to their University of Chicago fellowship, a $3,000 travel stipend and student life fee coverage.

Summer FLAS awards include a stipend of $2,500 and up to $5,000 in tuition for study off campus.

Applications & Additional Information: Available on the Graduate Student Affairs website. http://grad.uchicago.edu/grad_fellowships_funding/featured_fellowships/flas_fellowships/ Contact for Advising: Jessica Smith, UChicagoGRAD, jessicasmith@uchicago.edu

Deadline: Completed applications and accompanying materials must be emailed to the Dean of Students Office by 5:00 p.m. on February 8, 2016.
III. Dissertation Completion Fellowships  
(NELC application deadline: February 24)

The Division of the Humanities makes available dissertation completion fellowships (commonly referred to as DYFs) to doctoral students who are sufficiently advanced in the writing of their dissertation that they will complete the dissertation in the year they hold such fellowship. These fellowships recognize the student’s academic achievement and enable the student to devote full attention and effort towards completing the dissertation.

When a dissertation director nominates a student for this fellowship, the director thereby indicates that the student is expected to complete the dissertation during the time of the fellowship. Although it certainly is not possible to predict the exact date of completion, these fellowships are intended to benefit those students who can commit themselves to timely completion. Whether or not the student completes the dissertation during the fellowship year, the student will not receive any further student funding available from the University. Thus recipients of DYFs in a given academic year who do not graduate by the end of winter quarter of the following year are ineligible for further internal University funding from any source, with the single exception of conference travel reimbursement. Please be aware that this means the student will not be eligible for out-of-pocket tuition aid as otherwise awarded in the quarters in which students teach.

Fellowships will be awarded for the academic year (autumn, winter, and spring quarters) and provide tuition, the required student life fee, University student health insurance if elected, and a stipend. The terms of the fellowship prohibit students from engaging in any remunerative activity during the period of the fellowship. The sole exception to this prohibition is that, if permitted by the founding agency, fellows may undertake a modest teaching assignment in spring quarter when it is clear from the fellow’s progress on the dissertation that teaching will not delay completion of the degree.

Eligibility:
The Mellon-University of Chicago may only be held by students up to and including the sixth year in their program; the Mellon-Humanities may only be held by students up to and including the seventh year; all other dissertation year fellowships may be held by students up to and including the eighth year of their program (unless set by the terms of the fellowship to an earlier date).

The following terms and conditions apply for all dissertation completion fellowships:
1. Without exception, students must have been admitted to candidacy before they can apply for these fellowships.
2. Students who have held or currently hold any dissertation year fellowship (whatever the title of the fellowship: dissertation write-up, completion, etc.) from any internal or external sources are not eligible for consideration.
3. Students pursuing a joint degree program should submit their application through the home department only.

Nomination:
Students are nominated to the competition by their home departments. Nominations are made in a letter from the department chair, in which the chair (a) declares that the candidate has been nominated by the entire faculty of the department and (b) declares that in the best estimation of the faculty of the department, the student is fully prepared to complete the dissertation during the fellowship year. To bolster the latter point, the chair may include such supporting information as the student’s prior accomplishments, outside professional achievements, or other reasons to expect the student to complete
within the time predicted. If more than one student is nominated by a department, the chair’s nomination letter must include a ranking of the candidates.

**Dossier:**
The dossier for each student must include the following supporting documents:

1. Application form [https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/DYP%20application_1.pdf](https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/DYP%20application_1.pdf)
2. Letters from two members of the student’s dissertation committee, attesting to the quality of the work and also to the ability of the student to complete and defend the dissertation within the time of the fellowship.
3. The timeline for completion of dissertation writing and defense with the student and the dissertation committee attesting to the feasibility of completion and defense of the dissertation within the award period and granting of the degree no later than the winter quarter of 2018. Please use this form. [https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/DYP%20timeline.pdf](https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/DYP%20timeline.pdf)
4. Statement of purpose (3-5 pages), describing the dissertation project. The narrative statement should include a work plan pegged to the timeline. The statement should discuss the significance of this work within the student’s specific and general fields and the contribution this project will make to the field(s) with which it engages. Please remember that the fellowship review committee will include faculty members from across the Division and thus that the candidate must explain terms and contexts that might not be familiar to those outside the field or subfield.
5. A curriculum vitae (C.V.).
6. A copy of one approved chapter of the nominee's dissertation, for reference by the fellowship review committee.

**IV. Hanna Holborn Gray Fellowship** *(NELC application deadline: February 24)*

This award, established in 2005-2006, is made possible by a generous grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and is designated to support our very best graduate students in the final years of their graduate program at the University. The grant is made in honor of Mrs. Gray and is given in recognition of her dedicated efforts to improve and sustain graduate education at the University and beyond and of her own notable achievements as a scholar. One fellowship will be awarded each year in the Humanities Division and one in the Social Sciences Division with the latter selected from the humanistic Social Sciences departments. Each department may nominate one student who is currently in the fourth year of study. Announcements of the winners will be made in mid-May.

All application materials must be emailed to the Department Coordinator amanday@uchicago.edu by February 24:

1. An essay (eight to ten pages, double spaced) on the topic proposed for the dissertation.
2. At least two letters of recommendation need to be emailed directly to the Department Coordinator—a departmental letter from the chair or director of graduate studies, as appropriate, and a second letter from a University of Chicago professor who has taught the nominated student and can write in support of the dissertation topic.
3. A curriculum vitae (CV).
4. Transcripts which will be provided by the Office of the Dean of Students.
Applicants do not have to be admitted to candidacy at the time of nomination; however, admission to candidacy is a requirement to start the award. To hold the award, a nominee must be admitted to candidacy by the end of Summer Quarter of the fourth year. If the student does not meet this requirement, the fellowship will be awarded to an alternate. The term of the fellowship will be for two years, pending satisfactory progress. To qualify for renewal, a fellowship holder must submit a progress report and schedule for completion of the degree. The Gray award will replace the student's current University aid package for the fifth year. Gray Fellows must complete their pedagogical teaching requirements. Other employment, either at the University or off-campus, will not be permitted.

Recipients of the second year of the Gray Fellowship in 2017-2018 who do not graduate by the end of winter quarter 2019 are ineligible for further internal University funding from any source, with the single exception of conference travel reimbursement. Please be aware that this means the student will not be eligible for out-of-pocket tuition aid as otherwise awarded in the quarters in which students teach.

V. The Edward L. Ryerson Fellowship in Archaeology  (application deadline: March 28)

The Edward L. Ryerson Fellowship is awarded annually by the Ryerson Fellowship Committee to graduate students who are studying Greek and Roman art and archaeology. Students may apply for travel/conference grants, pre-dissertation grants, or dissertation year completion fellowships. In the absence of qualified candidates who are studying Greek and Roman art and archaeology, fellowship funds will be available to graduate students who are studying Near Eastern art and archaeology.

Students may apply for up to three quarters of a pre-dissertation grant, provided they have reached candidacy by the application deadline. These awards may not be held later than year seven.

The Ryerson dissertation completion fellowships will be awarded for the academic year (autumn, winter, and spring quarters) and provide tuition, the required student life fee, University student health insurance if elected, and a stipend. The terms of the fellowship prohibit students from engaging in any remunerative activity during the period of the fellowship. To apply for this fellowship, applicants must have reached candidacy by the application deadline. The award may not be held past year eight. Recipients of Ryerson dissertation completion fellowships in academic year 2016-17 who do not graduate by the end of winter quarter 2018 are ineligible for further internal University funding from any source, with the single exception of conference travel reimbursement. Please be aware that this means the student will not be eligible for out-of-pocket tuition aid as otherwise awarded in the quarters in which students teach.

Applications for a travel or conference grant should include:
1) an application form
https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/Ryerson%20application%20form_0.pdf?overlay-context=students/financial-aid/fellowships/internal-fellowships
2) a clear and concise statement of purpose
3) a budget specifying the expected cost of transportation and housing
4) a letter of support from the student's advisor (or a professor well-acquainted with the student's work and the proposed plan of research)

Applications for a pre-dissertation grant should include:
1) an application form
https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/Ryerson%20travel%20grant%20application%20form_0.pdf?overlay-context=students/financial-aid/fellowships/internal-fellowships
2) a detailed plan of work for the requested number of grant quarters
3) a letter of support from the student's dissertation chair or other member of the dissertation committee

Applications for a dissertation completion fellowship should include:
1) an application form
   https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/Ryerson%20application%20form_0.pdf#overlay-context=students/financial-aid/fellowships/internal-fellowships
2) a statement of purpose, describing the dissertation project (3-5 pages)
3) a one-page timeline for completion of dissertation writing and defense
4) a letter of support from the student’s dissertation chair or other member of the dissertation committee
5) one approved dissertation chapter

Proposals and faculty recommendation letters should be addressed to the Ryerson Fellowship Selection Committee. The Office of the Dean of Students will add a current transcript to the application.

The deadline for receipt of applications is Monday, March 38, 2016. All application materials should be submitted electronically via email to humdos@uchicago.edu.

Award decisions are typically announced in early May. At the completion of the fellowship, students are required to submit a short report to the Committee.

VI. Dissertation Research Travel Awards (application deadline: April 29)

Overseas Dissertation Research Grants (ODRG) provide support to Humanities PhD students who will be financing dissertation research abroad through loans, personal savings, and/or other small grants. The grants are not renewable. Applications will be judged on the necessity to go abroad to do research, the quality and feasibility of the project, and financial need.

Humanities Travel Grant for Dissertation Research (Hum Travel) awards support short-term, research-related travel by Humanities PhD students. The grants are not renewable. It is expected that these awards will be sufficient to defray the costs of travel for students who have a specific research goal (e.g., examination of archives, travel to collections) that can be achieved within a limited period of time. The awards are not to be used to supplement grants from other sources, excepting the ODRG.

Arnaldo Momigliano Dissertation Research Travel Awards provide support for short-term, dissertation research-related travel to Humanities PhD students in the following programs: Classics, Philosophy, and Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations. Applicants will be judged on the quality and feasibility of their project. The awards are not renewable.

If a student's research needs can be met in Regenstein Library, funding from these grants will not be possible. Note: These grants are not intended for pre-dissertation survey trips. Students who have previously done research at the location for which they are applying must explain why a return trip is necessary to complete their research, and they must ask their recommender to comment on their explanation. Other eligibility requirements:
1. Admission to candidacy before disbursement of the award.
2. Begin research at location no earlier than the start of Summer Quarter 2016.
3. Complete research at location no later than end of Spring Quarter 2017.
All materials should be emailed to humdos@uchicago.edu no later than 5 p.m. Friday, April 29. Announcements of the winners will be made in early June. Each application must include:

1. A completed application form which includes a statement, itinerary, and budget. Please use this form https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/HumTravel%202016-2017%20application%20form.pdf#overlay-context=students/financial-aid/travel-grants
2. One letter of recommendation which should be from the chair of the student's dissertation committee. Students applying for multiple funds need only one letter.
3. If the student will be consulting either individuals or archives that have limited access, the student must also provide confirmation that these resources will be available to her or him.
4. A curriculum vitae (CV).
5. Transcripts which will be provided by the Office of the Dean of Students.

The selection committee reserves the right not to consider dossiers which do not comply with these requirements. Questions may be directed to humdos@uchicago.edu.

VII. Humanities Conference Grants (application deadline: Ongoing)

Terms: The Division of the Humanities Conference Grant provides up to $400 in reimbursement for eligible travel expenses (airfare or gasoline) to an academic conference. Other expenses (i.e., rental cars, parking, food, lodging, conference fees) are not covered.

Eligibility: Doctoral students in the Division of the Humanities who will be presenting a conference paper. Students can receive the grant a maximum of two times in their graduate careers, and only once in any given fiscal year (July 1 through June 30 of the following year).

Application instructions:
https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/Humanities%20Conference%20Grant_2014.pdf

Business travel certification:
https://humanities.uchicago.edu/sites/humanities.uchicago.edu/files/Student%20Certification%20for%20Business%20Related%20Travel%20Reimbursement.pdf

All application materials should be submitted electronically to humdos@uchicago.edu.