

External Fellowship Opportunities for PhD Students

The following list includes grants and fellowship opportunities that range from short-term (i.e. 1-2 months of research, sometimes at a specific research site) to long-term (i.e. full year or multi-year fellowships). Most of these fellowships and grants have application deadlines in the fall, so be sure to check on application and eligibility requirements early in the spring or summer before you intend to apply.

Short-Term and Smaller Awards:

Carl H. Pforzheimer, Jr., Research Grants. The Keats-Shelley Association of America, Inc., awards two \$2,500 grants annually to support research in the field of British Romanticism. Named in honor of the Association's most generous benefactor, the Carl H. Pforzheimer, Jr., Research Grants support the work of advanced graduate students, independent scholars, and untenured faculty. The awards honor the late Carl H. Pforzheimer, Jr., a past President of the Association and among its most vigorous advocates. He also headed The Carl and Lily Pforzheimer Foundation, Inc., long distinguished for funding scholarship centered on early nineteenth-century English literature. Applications are solicited for this year's \$2,500 Research Grants. Winners will be guests of the Keats-Shelley Association at its Annual Awards Dinner, held during the MLA annual convention. For more information visit:

<http://k-saa.org/awards/>

Huntington Library Fellowships. Grants of up to \$2500/month are available for short-term residences at the Huntington Library. For further information, see the Library's Web site at <http://www.huntington.org/WebAssets/Templates/content.aspx?id=566>

The Joan Heller-Diane Bernard Fellowship in Lesbian and Gay Studies supports research by a junior scholar (graduate student, untenured university professor or independent researcher) and a senior scholar (tenured university professor or advanced independent scholar) into the impact of lesbians and/or gay men on U.S. society and culture. Scholars conducting research on lesbians are especially encouraged to apply. It is open to researchers both inside and outside the academy and is adjudicated by the Joan Heller—Diane Bernard Fellowship committee in conjunction with the City University of New York Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies. The winner may be asked to participate in the City University of New York Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies colloquium series the following academic year to present her/his research project. Award: Two awards each in the amount of \$5,000. For more information visit:

<http://www.clags.org/fellowships-awards/?p=committees>

MLA Graduate Student Travel Grant. Each year the MLA offers \$300 travel grants to advanced graduate students as partial reimbursement of expenses for travel to and attendance in pre-convention workshops, sessions in their areas of scholarly interest, meetings with job counselors, or interviews at its annual convention held in December. Students must be current members of the MLA and must meet all the requirements for the Ph.D. except the dissertation. For additional information or details on how to apply, please refer to the MLA Web site at http://www.mla.org/resources/awards/award_finasst/conv_travel_assist.

Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Grants in Women's Studies are designed to encourage original and significant research about women that crosses disciplinary, regional, or cultural boundaries. Recent winning topics in English studies include "Indexing Gender in Computer-Mediated Classrooms" and "Relations of Power: Femme/Butch Articulations with the Political." Grants of \$2000 will be awarded. Applicants must have an approved prospectus by the grant deadline date. For application and eligibility details see: <http://www.woodrow.org/womens-studies/>.

Long-Term Awards:

American Association of University Women Dissertation Fellowships are available to female doctoral students in all fields of study, except engineering. Students holding any fellowship for writing a dissertation in the year prior to the AAUW Educational Foundation fellowship year are not eligible. Scholars engaged in researching gender issues are encouraged to apply. The annual stipend is \$20,000. For applications and details about eligibility, see the AAUW Web site at <http://www.aauw.org/>.

The Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships offer 28 fellowships that award \$23,000 for 12 months of full-time dissertation writing. The fellowships are designed to "encourage original and significant study of ethical or religious values in all fields of the humanities and social sciences," including religious or ethical issues reflected in literature. Information about the application process can be found on-line at <http://www.woodrow.org/newcombe>.

CLIR Melon Fellowships for Dissertation Research in Original Sources. The Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) offers approximately 15 fellowships each year to enable dissertation writers to do research wherever relevant sources may be, rather than just where financial support is available and to encourage more extensive and innovative uses of original sources in libraries, archives, museums, historical societies, and related repositories in the U.S. and abroad. Each fellowship provides a stipend of \$2,000 per month for periods ranging from 9-12 months. Each fellow will receive an additional \$1,000 upon participating in a symposium on research in original sources and submitting a report acceptable to CLIR on the research experience. Thus the maximum award will be \$25,000. For more information visit: <http://www.clir.org/fellowships/mellon/mellon.html>

Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowships. Through its program of Diversity Fellowships, the Ford Foundation seeks to increase the diversity of the nation's college and university faculties by increasing their ethnic and racial diversity, to maximize the educational benefits of diversity, and to increase the number of professors who can and will use diversity as a resource for enriching the education of all students. Three-year pre-doctoral awards as well as one-year dissertation completion awards are available. For more information, visit: <http://sites.nationalacademies.org/pga/fordfellowships/>

Institute of Historical Research Mellon Fellowships for Dissertation Research in the Humanities. The Institute of Historical Research offers fellowships funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation for both pre-dissertation and dissertation research in the humanities using original sources. The purposes of this fellowship program are to: help doctoral candidates in the

humanities who may otherwise not have opportunities or encouragement to work with original source materials in the United Kingdom; help doctoral candidates in the humanities to deepen their ability to develop knowledge from original sources; provide insight from the viewpoint of doctoral candidates into how scholarly resources can be developed most helpfully in the future. For application forms and further details see:

<http://www.history.ac.uk/fellowships/junior#mellon>.

Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships. The Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships are to assist graduate students in the humanities and related social sciences in the last year of Ph.D. dissertation writing. This program aims to encourage timely completion of the Ph.D. Applicants must be prepared to complete their dissertations within the period of their fellowship tenure. 65 fellowships will be awarded. The total award of up to \$33,000 includes a stipend plus additional funds for university fees and research support. These Fellowships may not be held concurrently with any other fellowship or grant. For more information visit: <http://www.acls.org/programs/dcf/>

The Spencer Foundation Dissertation Fellowship. The Spencer Foundation offers approximately 30 fellowships of \$25,000 to support dissertations bringing “fresh and constructive perspectives to the history, theory, or practice of formal or informal education anywhere in the world.” For further information, consult <http://www.spencer.org> under “Fellowships,” then “Dissertation Fellowship Program.”