



Dissertation Fellowships



Office of Graduate Fellowships and Awards

Getting Started

Things to consider...

- ◇ **Anticipate all DEADLINES**
- ◇ **Identify Fellowship and Award opportunities based on “Fit”**
- ◇ **Organize Funding Search Results**
- ◇ **Dedicate time to prepare and request materials needed to complete the application**
- ◇ **Revision Process (Draft, Review, Revise, Repeat)**
- ◇ **Awards are generally disbursed 6-12 months from the application deadline**

Application Components

Fellowship and award applications have a lot of moving parts. To develop a strong and compelling fellowship application, determine:

1. Is the funding opportunity a good fit for you and your academic, research/work, and/or personal interests?
2. Are you a good fit for the funding opportunity?
3. **KNOW YOUR AUDIENCE** - What are the reviewers looking for (mission of the funding opportunity, criteria for review)?

- ◇ Personal Statement
- ◇ Research Proposal
- ◇ Curriculum Vitae (CV) or Resume
- ◇ Letters of Recommendation
- ◇ Timeline and Budget Justification

Not all components listed are applicable for every application

U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH) - Dissertation Fellowships

Dissertation Fellowships support scholarly research and writing among qualified civilian graduate students preparing dissertations in the history of warfare. **Deadline: January**

Mary Isabel Sibley Fellowship

Awarded alternately in the fields of Greek and French. Open to women in the early stages of their research careers who have completed all doctoral requirements except the dissertation. **Deadline: January**

American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Minority Fellowship Program

Fellowship for doctoral students enrolled in a Marriage and Family Therapy doctoral program who have completed all required pre-dissertation core courses. **Deadline: January**

American Meteorological Society Graduate Fellowship in the History of Science

For PhD students in the dissertation writing stage. Provides a \$15,000 stipend to support one year of research. **Deadline: May**

Harry Frank Guggenheim (HFG) Emerging Scholars Award

A one year, \$25,000 award designed to contribute to the support of a doctoral candidate to enable the completion of a dissertation that advances the Foundation’s research interests in violence related to many subjects including but not limited to: war, terrorism, crime, climate instability, and family relationships. **Deadline: February**

Harry S. Truman Library Dissertation Year Fellowship

Dissertation Year Fellowships intended to encourage historical scholarship of the public career of Harry S. Truman or the Truman era. This fellowship is intended to free a doctoral student from teaching or other employment to facilitate completion of his or her dissertation. **Deadline: February**

Jefferson Scholar Foundation National Fellowship

Funds scholars completing dissertations that employ history to shed light on American politics and public policy, foreign relations and the impact of global affairs on the US, media and politics, and the role of the presidency in shaping American political development. **Deadline: February**

National Association of Social Workers Foundation Eileen Blackey Doctoral Fellowship

Fellowship for social work doctoral candidates engaged in dissertation research in welfare policy and practice. **Deadline: March**

Mellon Scholars Program in African American History

Dissertation fellowship designed to increase the participation of scholars from underrepresented backgrounds and others in the field of African American history prior to 1900. **Deadline: January**

American Society for Theater Helen Krich Chinoy Dissertation Fellowships

This fellowship is intended to assist Ph.D. candidates with the expenses of travel to national and international collections to conduct research projects connected with their dissertations. **Deadline: July**

Beta Phi Mu Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship

Awards for doctoral students who are working on their dissertations in Library and Information Science, Information Studies, Informatics, or a related field. **Deadline: March**

Joan and Stanford Alexander Award

Two grants of \$5,000 each for doctoral candidates working on dissertations that concentrate on photography. **Deadline: January**

Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Dissertation Completion Fellowship

SHAFR will make two, year-long awards in the amount of \$25,000 each to support the writing and completion of the doctoral dissertation. Applicants should be working on a topic in the field of U.S. foreign relations history or international history and must be current members of SHAFR. **Deadline: April**

North American Conference on Business Studies Dissertation Fellowship

Supports dissertation research in the British Isles on any topic of British (including Scottish, Irish and Imperial) history or British Studies. Applicant must need to travel to the British Isles for the purpose of dissertation research. **Deadline: May**

The New York Community Trust Grants Portal

Grants up to \$5,000 to help support dissertation expenses of doctoral students whose studies have the potential for adding significantly to knowledge about problems in the functioning or well-being of children, adults, couples, families, or communities, or about interventions designed to prevent or alleviate such problems. **Deadlines: Vary (see website)**

Sociologists for Women in Society Deadline: April.

Barbara Rosenblum Cancer Dissertation Scholarship: Scholarship is designed to encourage doctoral research on women’s experience of breast cancer and other reproductive cancers, as well as the prevention of these cancers. The scholarship also supports efforts to make sociological research on these topics available to the public.

Beth B. Hess Memorial Scholarship: Scholarship is awarded to a dissertation writing PhD student who has studied for at least one full academic year at a two-year college in the U.S., before transferring to complete a BA.

Esther Ngan-Ling Chow and Mareyjoyce Green Dissertation Scholarship:

Scholarship offers support to women scholars who are from underrepresented groups and are studying concerns that women of color face domestically and/or internationally.

American Musicological Society Harold Powers World Travel Fund

Intended to encourage and assist Ph.D. candidates, in all fields of musical scholarship to travel anywhere in the world to carry out the necessary work for their dissertation or other research. **Deadline: April**

Dissertation Grant in Cold War History

\$3,000 grant to a graduate student in history or related fields working on a dissertation in the area of Cold War military history. Proposals are welcome in all subject areas, including international security affairs, military strategy, leadership, and operations. **Deadline: April**

Society for Research in Child Development Patrice L. Engle Dissertation Grant

Provides support for students interested in a career in global early child development. **Deadline: June**

General Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr., Memorial Dissertation Fellowship

A \$10,000 dissertation fellowship. Topics in U.S. military and naval history, as well as history and history-based studies in the social and behavioral sciences, with a direct relationship to the history of the United States Marine Corps will be considered. **Deadline: May**

Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Program

Funds individual doctoral students who conduct research in other countries, in modern foreign languages and area studies for periods of six to twelve months. **Deadline: April**

Florida Space Grant Dissertation and Thesis Improvement Fellowship

This program funds Master’s Thesis and Doctoral Dissertations in areas of space science and engineering. Proposals must align with the topics of interest to NASA. **Deadline: May**

American Education Research Association (AERA)

- MET Dissertation Fellowship Program

Support for graduate students in education research to conduct secondary data analysis using the Measures of Effective Teaching (MET) Longitudinal Database. **Deadline: November**

- NSF Dissertation Grants

Program seeks to stimulate research on U.S. education issues using data from the large- scale, national and international data sets supported by the National Center for Education Statistics, NSF, and other federal agencies. **Deadline: January**

McKnight Dissertation Fellowship

The McKnight Doctoral Fellowship Program is designed to address the underrepresentation of African American and Hispanic faculty at colleges and universities in the State of Florida by increasing the pool of citizens qualified with Ph.D. degrees to teach at the college and university levels. **Deadline: January**

Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration Dissertation Award

Recognizes significant research completed by a doctoral candidate in the field of public policy, affairs, or administration. **Deadline: June**

American Institute of Indian Studies Junior Research Fellowships

Specifically designed to enable doctoral candidates to pursue their dissertation research in India. **Deadline: November**

Clayton Fellowship for Dissertation in Marketing and Related Fields

The annual Alden G. Clayton dissertation proposal competition recognizes marketing doctoral students who are working on research questions with important marketing, societal, and policy implications. **Deadline: October**

American Psychological Association Dissertation Research Award

The purpose of the APA Science Directorate’s Dissertation Research Award program is to assist science-oriented doctoral students of psychology with research costs. **Deadline: February**

AHIMA Foundation Dissertation Support Scholarship

Support for doctoral students who are at the ABD stage in health information, health informatics, or a program related to the HIM discipline. **Deadline: May**

National Academy of Education/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship

Seeks to encourage a new generation of scholars from a wide range of disciplines and professional fields to undertake research relevant to the improvement of education. Supports individuals whose dissertations show potential for bringing fresh and constructive perspectives to the history, theory, analysis, or practice of formal or informal education anywhere in the world. **Deadline: October**

The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Dissertation Research Grants
Deadline: October.

- **Stuart L Bernath Dissertation Research Grant**
- **W. Stull Holt Dissertation Fellowship**
- **Lawrence Gelfand – Armin Rappaport – Walter LeFeber Dissertation Fellowship**
- **Samuel Flagg Bemis Dissertation Research Grant**

These fellowships and grants are intended to defray the costs of travel to conduct research on a significant dissertation project that deals with U.S. foreign relations history. Applicants will be considered for the Stuart L. Bernath, Gelfand-Rappaport-LaFeber, and Bemis grants.

World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship

Grants to support PhD dissertation research on American foreign policy, international relations, international security, strategic studies, area studies and diplomatic and military history. The fellowship’s objective is to support the research and writing of policy-relevant dissertations through funding of fieldwork, archival research and language training. **Deadline: October**

Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellowship in Women’s Studies

The Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellowship in Women’s Studies encourages original and significant research about women that crosses disciplinary, regional, or cultural boundaries. Previous Fellows have explored such topics as transnational religious education for Muslim women, the complex gender dynamics of trans identity management, women’s electoral success across racial and institutional contexts, women’s sports, militarism and the education of American women, and the relationship between family commitments and women’s work mobility. **Deadline: October**

Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Innovation Fellowship

The program will make awards to doctoral students who show promise of leading their fields in important new directions. The fellowships are designed to intervene at the formative stage of dissertation development, before writing is advanced, and provide time and support for emerging scholars’ innovative approaches to dissertation research **Deadline: November**

Luce/ACLS Dissertation Fellowships in American Art History

ACLS invites applications for the Henry Luce Foundation/ACLS Dissertation Fellowships in American Art designated for graduate students in any stage of PhD dissertation research or writing **Deadline: October**

Dumbarton Oaks Junior Fellowship

Fellowships for students who have fulfilled all preliminary requirements for the PhD or appropriate final degree and will be working on a dissertation or final project at Dumbarton Oaks under the direction of a faculty member at their own university. Eligible fields include Byzantine Studies, Pre-Columbian Studies, Garden and Landscape Studies, and Humanities. **Deadline: November**

American Association of University Women (AAUW) American Dissertation Fellowship

Fellowships for women pursuing full-time study to complete dissertations, conducting postdoctoral research full time, or preparing research for publication for eight consecutive weeks. Candidates are evaluated on the basis of scholarly excellence, quality and originality of project design, and active commitment to helping women and girls through service in their communities, professions, or fields of research. **Deadline: November**

Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships

Dissertation stage support for doctoral students whose work offers significant potential for advancing academic scholarship related to ethics and/or religion. **Deadline: November**

ACLS Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Dissertation Fellowships in Buddhist Studies

Working with the Ho Family Foundation, ACLS offers an articulated set of fellowship and grant competitions that will expand the understanding and interpretation of Buddhist thought in scholarship and society, strengthen international networks of Buddhist studies, and increase the visibility of innovative currents in those studies. **Deadline: November**

Jennings Randolph Peace Scholarship Dissertation Program

Fellowships to advance research that contributes to a wider understanding of how to manage conflict and build sustainable peace effectively. **Deadline: November**

American Musicological Society Alvin H. Johnson AMS 50 Dissertation Fellowships

Dissertation-year support for doctoral students whose degree emphasizes musical scholarship. It is expected that a Fellow’s dissertation will be completed within the fellowship year. **Deadline: February**

UNCF-Merck Graduate Science Research Dissertation Fellowships

Open to African American students in the fields of life sciences, physical sciences, and engineering who are engaged in and within 1-3 years of completing their dissertation research and enrolled full-time in a Ph.D. or equivalent doctoral degree program. **Deadlines: Vary (see website)**

Additional Resources

The Reading-Writing Center (FSU)

The Career Center (FSU)

External Funding Databases

<https://ogfa.fsu.edu/find-funding/databases>