

Post-Doctoral Fellows Program 2018 - 2019

THE BILL AND CAROL FOX CENTER FOR HUMANISTIC INQUIRY
EMORY UNIVERSITY

Deadline for Applications: January 17, 2018

Announcement of Awards: Begins mid-April and continues until all positions are filled.

The Bill and Carol Fox Center for Humanistic Inquiry announces up to three annual Post-Doctoral Fellowships for an academic year of study, teaching, and residence in the Center. The purpose of the FCHI Post-Doctoral Fellows Program is to stimulate and support humanistic research by providing scholars in the early stages of their careers with the time, space, and other resources necessary to advance their work. In addition, the Program was created to give the Emory community access to a range of humanistic work by scholars from other institutions.

An essential feature of the Post-Doctoral Fellows Program is the expectation that Fellows make intellectual contributions not only within the Center, but, more widely, to humanistic studies at Emory. Thus Post-Doctoral Fellows will be expected to offer an upper-level undergraduate course on a subject of their choice during the spring of their fellowship year.

Post-Doctoral Fellows, who must have the Ph.D. in hand before the submission of their applications, are awarded to those who have held the Ph.D. for no more than **six years** before receiving the fellowship. Stipends of \$47,000 will be offered to Post-Doctoral Fellows. In addition, a research budget of \$2,000 will be made available to each Fellow, along with shared office space in the Center and access to the Emory University Libraries.

ELIGIBILITY

The Ph.D. must be in hand before the application deadline of January 17, 2018. Post-Doctoral Fellowships are awarded to those who have **held the Ph.D. for no more than six years** before receiving the Fellowship.

The FCHI Post-Doctoral Fellows Program is designed to offer research opportunities both to those trained in the humanities as traditionally defined and to others working with humanistic issues. Research projects must be humanistic, but applicants may hold the Ph.D. in any discipline. Especially appropriate are applicants whose research is likely to contribute to intellectual exchange among a diverse group of scholars within the disciplines of the humanities.

Because the FCHI is a residential center, its intellectual life depends on collegial interaction. Fellows will be expected to be in residence full-time during both terms of the regular academic year and to take an active part in the life of the FCHI, as well as in the intellectual life of the larger University. Since a primary purpose of the Post-Doctoral Fellows Program is to create a diverse community of scholars in residence at the Center as well as to introduce Emory University to promising work beyond its walls, preference will be given to applicants who are not currently affiliated with Emory.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Applications will be judged on the promise and significance of the proposed research project, in relation to the applicant's own work and that of other scholars; the intellectual distinction of the applicant's previous work; the applicant's ability to engage in collegial interactions that will substantively contribute to the FCHI and to the University; and the contributions that the applicant's proposed course will make to the FCHI, the College, and the University.

Evaluators will look for applicants and projects that will benefit from and contribute to the interdisciplinary work of the group of Fellows and the mission of the FCHI. Evaluators will also seek variety and balance among the disciplines represented at the Center.

FELLOWSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Upon notification of an FCHI Post-Doctoral Fellows Program Award, recipients must agree to: conduct research in residence full-time at the FCHI for the academic year; take full responsibility for contributing to and maintaining an environment conducive to academic research while at the Center; submit a final report of progress to the Director at the end of the Fellowship; acknowledge the FCHI in all work resulting from research and writing done during the Fellowship; teach an undergraduate course in the spring term of the Fellowship year; attend all Fellows' lunches, lectures, and programs sponsored by the FCHI during their terms of residence; immediately notify the FCHI of any other support or of any conflicts with the restrictions and conditions of this Fellowship Program; for three years following the Fellowship, provide written reports to the Director of the FCHI detailing how their teaching and research has been influenced by the time spent during the Fellowship; and if applicable, return to their Emory University positions for the year immediately following their Fellowship.

For further information, please contact The Bill and Carol Fox Center for Humanistic Inquiry:

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS

Please read all of these instructions before starting the online application process.

All Fox Center Fellowship applications are now submitted online through CollegeNET's ApplyWeb

<https://applyweb.com/emryfchi/>

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

To complete the online application, you will need the following information and attachments ready to submit in order to move forward:

- E-mail information for your three recommenders – recommenders are automatically notified to submit/upload their letters for you **ONLY AFTER** you submit your completed application online. Be sure to leave enough time so that your letters of recommendation will be submitted by the deadline.

If you are using Interfolio or a similar service for one or more letters, then you need to enter the relevant Interfolio or other service email in the "Email" field(s).

n.b. While an optional 4th recommender field is available, it is not required.

- Any current and previous project funding information, including other pending applications
- Previous leave information, if applicable

The following attachments must be ready to be uploaded:

- Department Chair's letter approving leave (if applicable)
- Project Abstract
- Interdisciplinary Statement
- *Curriculum Vitae*
- Project Description
- Project Timeline
- Course Description Worksheet

Specific instructions for each file are located below. Proposals that do not follow the instructions cannot be considered.

As you complete your application:

- On each screen, you must enter all required information before you can proceed to the next screen.
- You will be able to save a partially completed application and return to it later.
- You can always click on links to this page or to the Applyweb Helpline
- <https://www.applyweb.com/public/input?s=helpapp>

Deadline for application:

The deadline for submissions and all supporting documents is **Wednesday, January 17, 2018**. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all materials have been placed in the system and submitted. Incomplete applications cannot be considered after the deadline.

SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTACHMENTS

- **Department Chair's Letter Approving Leave:** Required for applicants who currently hold regular academic appointments elsewhere.

- **Project Abstract: 100 words maximum, 12-point type, double-spaced**

- **Interdisciplinary Statement: 100 words maximum, 12-point type, double-spaced**

In the Interdisciplinary Statement, applicants should indicate how residency at an interdisciplinary humanities research center would enhance their work.

- **Curriculum Vitae: no more than 3 pages**

- **Project Description: 1000 words maximum, 12-point type, double-spaced**

Applicants should describe the specific research planned for the period of the FCHI Fellowship, explaining the basic humanistic ideas, problems, or questions to be explored. Included should be explanations of the objectives and significance of the project, and the methodology to be employed.

The project description should make clear any preliminary work already completed, the present state of the proposed research, and any stages to be completed after the FCHI Fellowship ends. Applicants should detail the expected results of research conducted during the Fellowship period, including the ultimate forms of public presentation of their results (books, journal articles, lectures, papers, public humanities projects, etc.).

- **Project Timeline: 1 page maximum**

An outline of plans and goals for the project during the Fellowship year, including expected dates of completion for each, should be included. Applicants should be as precise as possible about activities planned for the Fellowship period. Please remember that Fellows are expected to be in residence at the FCHI **full-time** each semester.

- **Course Description Worksheet:** Please complete **(double-spaced)** the FCHI Course Description Worksheet **(below)**

In addition to providing the opportunity for individual research and writing, FCHI Fellowships are awarded to promote an exchange of ideas among the Fellows during their time in the Center, as well as to encourage interactions between the Fellows and the Emory community. During the spring of their fellowship year, Post-Doctoral Fellows are expected to offer an upper-level undergraduate course on a subject of their choosing, which will be offered in the College curriculum

under the “Special Topics” heading of either Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS) 385 or American Studies (AMST) 385: <http://ila.emory.edu/home/undergraduate/schedules/index.html>.

ACCEPTANCE PROCEDURES

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- (e) teach an undergraduate course in the spring term of the Fellowship year;
- (f) attend all Fellows’ lunches, lectures, and programs sponsored by the FCHI during their terms of residence;
- (g) **immediately** notify the FCHI of any other support or of any conflicts with the restrictions and conditions of this Fellowship Program;
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PLEASE NOTE:

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If you accept another fellowship before notification about the FCHI Program, please inform the FCHI as soon as possible so that alternates can be contacted promptly.

If for any reason a Fellow’s circumstances change (such as Sabbatical Leave, Leave Without Pay, or the receipt of any grant or award that conflicts with the restrictions and conditions of this Fellowship), and the grantee is unable to use the Fellowship during the academic year for which it was granted, the Fellowship will be forfeited.

If the project involves human subjects, approval from the proper Emory Institutional Review Board Committee (IRB) is required before Fellowship funding can be released. For more information, please refer to the IRB website: www.irb.emory.edu.

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The FCHI regrets that currently it is unable to provide any assessments of unsuccessful applications.

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COURSE DESCRIPTION WORKSHEET

All Fellows' courses are offered at the undergraduate level and originate in the Institute of the Liberal Arts (ILA), which includes Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS) and American Studies (AMST). For information on the ILA, see:

<http://ila.emory.edu/home/index.html>

Please note that these courses must meet the Emory College of Arts and Sciences (ECAS) writing requirement. For more information, see: <http://catalog.college.emory.edu/academic/ger/wrt.php>

To ensure maximum enrollment potential, please note that prerequisites for class registration can negatively affect course registration. For sample courses, please see:

<http://atlas.college.emory.edu/schedules/?t=5159>

Double-spaced:

Course title (no more than 30 *characters*):

Course description (no more than 20 *lines*):

Course materials (all texts and other materials to be used in the course):

Potential cross-listings (list all Emory College of Arts and Sciences departments that may be interested in cross-listing this course):