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**Institute for Research in the Humanities
University of Wisconsin-Madison
Honorary Fellowship
Call for Applications 2020-2021**

Deadline: Monday, March 2, 2020

The Institute for Research in the Humanities at the University of Wisconsin-Madison welcomes scholars with a completed PhD with their own funds to apply for a non-stipendary Honorary Fellowship at the Institute. These fellowships are available throughout the year for periods of at least 6 weeks and suited to the applicant's funding and research. Numerous institutes and centers, as well as vast library collections, make the Madison campus an excellent place to locate for research, coursework and conversation with faculty, staff and students. Madison is the state capital and a beautiful small city, nestled among four lakes, with about 400,000 people in the metropolitan area and a high quality of life.

Honorary Fellows in attendance during the academic year (September-May) are expected to join the intellectual community of the Institute by attending the weekly Monday afternoon seminars (3:30-5:00 PM); if the schedule permits, they may be invited to present their work at one of these seminars. We welcome Honorary Fellows at all other Institute events, formal and informal, including a follow-up brown bag lunch discussion of seminars on Tuesdays (Noon-1:00 PM), lunches with colleagues, conferences and other events. Honorary Fellows receive a UW-Madison ID, which provides access to all libraries, along with other campus venues. They also have an Institute mailbox, use of printing, scanning, and fax services, and some staff assistance. An office may be provided, if space permits. The Institute does not hold seminars or other formal events during the summer, but Honorary Fellows are welcome to come during the summer; offices are typically available from June-August.

The Institute especially welcomes international scholars as Honorary Fellows. and can host up to *two* international scholars each year. International applicants should allow sufficient time for submission and approval of visa applications—a minimum of three months is required; more lead time is advised. Applicants will have to supply documentation, in English, of sufficient financial support, which includes funds for living expenses, travel, and health insurance. Health insurance is also required and is available through the University (SHIP – University Health Services, 333 East Campus Mall, Madison, WI 53705, <https://www.uhs.wisc.edu/ship/scholars/>) for about \$209/month for an individual at the current 2019-2020 rate. The entire amount for SHIP insurance is payable at an annual or half-yearly rate (not monthly) at the beginning of the semester, with additional fees for family members.

Additional fee information for international scholars:

https://www.ohr.wisc.edu/ifss/imminfo/JScholar/2018_J-1_and_J-2_Expenses.pdf. Check IFSS website for updates

Honorary Fellows are responsible for making their own housing arrangements. Housing in the immediate campus area should be arranged well in advance. Rental agencies near campus often require a nine- or twelve-month lease, typically beginning August 15th. Housing for shorter stays (one semester or less) can be more difficult to locate, but are available. The Institute staff is

unable to arrange housing, but can be consulted for general questions about Madison locations and will provide information on listings of which they are aware. The Campus and Community Information Welcome Desk (800 Langdon Street, 608-265-3000, <https://campusareahousing.wisc.edu>) and/or the Madison Friends of International Students (716 Langdon Street, Room 223 (608-262-4010) can be very helpful with this process. They may also be able to give some suggestions about other campus area resources.

Application Process:

Applications for both academic-year and summer-term Honorary Fellowship must be submitted by **March 2nd**. Applications are subject to the approval of the Institute Director and the Dean of the College of Letters and Science.

Applicants can expect to have a response to their application within one month; awards for international applicants are contingent upon approval of visa and financial status and may take longer for response.

Please submit the application materials below to the Ann W. Harris, IRH Assistant to the Director. Applications will be forwarded to the IRH Director, Steven Nadler.

Application Materials (Due March 2nd):

- Completed Honorary Fellow Application Form (available only on IRH website late July 2019)
- Brief description of research proposal and schedule of research. Descriptions may be about 1-4 pages; or, applicants may attach a grant proposal or book prospectus
- Current CV
- (International Applicants): Documentation of sufficient financial support
- One letter of recommendation from someone familiar with the applicant's work. Letter should be sent (in pdf format) directly to Ann Harris (awharris2@wisc.edu)

Completed application packet and letter of recommendation should be emailed to Ann Harris, Assistant to the Director (awharris2@wisc.edu), by 11:59pm CT March 2nd. Please submit materials as pdf documents with "IRH Honorary Fellowship Application-[Your Name]" in the email subject line.