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

Deadline: Monday, March 2, 2020

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The Institute for Research in the Humanities at the University of Wisconsin-Madison is pleased to offer up to four fellowships each year to faculty at University of Wisconsin System campuses. Fellowships may be for one or two semesters and may continue through the summer on a non-stipendiary basis. However, the fellowship start date may not be deferred for any reason. Funding comes from a combination of sources: the home institution, UW System grant fund allocations to the home institution, and UW-Madison's contribution of about $5,000 per fellow to each home institution. The Institute also provides office space for faculty in residence in Madison or commuting to Madison on a regular basis (space permitting), support services, and access to all university facilities.

UW System Fellows are expected to participate in the intellectual life of the Institute by attending the weekly Monday afternoon seminars (3:30-5:00 PM). They are also invited to present their work at one of the seminars, schedule permitting. Monday seminars are followed by informal Tuesday lunch discussions (Noon-1:00 PM), for those who are able to participate. Fellows are also encouraged to join the informal daily lunches at the Institute, weekly afternoon teas, and other Institute events, as time and interest permit. Please consult the Institute's website (http://irh.wisc.edu/) for information about other Institute fellowships and activities.

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Applicants should arrange funding for the fellowship through their home institution before submitting an application to the Institute.

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<u>**Required Application Materials**</u>
- UW System Application Form (Jotform link available on the IRH Website)
- Project/Book Proposal, up to 1,500 words (about 5 double-spaced pages of 12-point font). The proposal should address the significance of the project, how it will be accomplished, and the specific work plan for the period of the grant. Clearly state the intended product of your research. For book projects, an outline of chapters is highly recommended. For revisions of dissertations, substantive change is expected; explain how the book will differ from the dissertation.
- Project Bibliography, publications (not your own) relevant to the project, up to 2 pages.
- *Curriculum Vitae*, including work forthcoming and in progress.
- Letter from Home Institution (e.g., department chair) attesting to funding support for period of the grant.
- Two letters of recommendation sent directly to IRH from the letter writer (email to info@irh.wisc.edu).

Application Form and Attachments

- The online application form link can be found on the IRH website. **The form takes between 20-45 minutes to complete and your window for completing the application will expire within 24 hours; please have all of your documents and recommendation letter writer information ready before beginning the form** (see above for list). If you need to leave and return to the application in the 24-hour period; make sure to use the **same browser** and computer as your previous session(s).
- You will attach all required application materials (proposal, bibliography, CV, letter) to your online application form. (Make sure all required attachments are separate PDF files.)
- Attached files should be labeled using the following naming format:
  UWSystem.2020-2021.LastName_FirstName.Proposal.pdf
  UWSystem.2020-2021.LastName_FirstName.Bibliography.pdf
  UWSystem.2020-2021.LastName_FirstName.CV.pdf
  UWSystem.2020-2021.LastName_FirstName.Funding_Letter.pdf

(If you have trouble uploading files when submitting the application form, email info@irh.wisc.edu for assistance. For your email subject line, please mention your name and that you are applying for the UW System fellowship.)

Letters of Recommendation

- The **two** letters of reference required should address the significance and feasibility of the proposed research, quality of the proposal, qualifications for the project, and past work.
- Letters should be sent by the author directly to the Institute, by emailing info@irh.wisc.edu Letters must be received by 11:59PM CT on Monday, March 2, 2020.
- Due to the large number of applications and files IRH handles at this time, please inform letter writers to mention both "UW System Fellowship" and your name in their email subject line and that their letter must be in pdf format named in the following format: *UWSystem.2020-2021.Rec letter for Doe_Jane.From Smith_John.pdf*
- We prefer but do not require that recommendation letters to be on letterhead, signed with the recommender's affiliation.

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- Application Materials submitted online: 11:59 PM CT **Monday, March 2, 2020**
- Letters of recommendation emailed to IRH: 11:59 PM CT **Monday, March 2, 2020**
- Notification: **April 2020**

Inquiries

- For substantive questions about projects and proposals, contact Steven Nadler, IRH Director (smnadler@wisc.edu; 608-262-8151)
- For all other questions about this fellowship, contact Ann Harris, Assistant to the Director (awharris2@wisc.edu; 608-262-3855)
- For help with online form or uploads of pdfs, contact IRH (info@irh.wisc.edu)