

DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Mellon Interdisciplinary Committees
For the 2014–2015 Academic Year

Applications Due: **Friday, February 14, 2014, no later than 12:00 pm**

Students must be registered or on an approved leave of absence during the 2013-2014 academic year to be eligible to apply. For your application to be considered, you must be officially advanced to candidacy (level III) with a completed “Advancement to Candidacy for the Doctoral Degree” form on file in the Registrar’s Office before February 14, 2014. Students who have received a dissertation fellowship of \$10,000 or more from the Graduate Center previously are not eligible.

A student holding a five-year fellowship from the Graduate Center (e.g., Enhanced Chancellor’s Fellowship, MAGNET Fellowship, WAC Fellowship, or CUNY Science Scholarship) may not hold a dissertation fellowship concurrently with the five-year award. A student with a five-year award may apply, but if selected for a dissertation fellowship she/he will have to choose between the five-year fellowship funding and the dissertation fellowship funding.

A student holding a Graduate Center fellowship that is not part of a five-year award (a freestanding Graduate Assistantship A, B, C, or D) may apply for the dissertation fellowships but, if offered an award, the total funding (Graduate Assistant salary plus Dissertation Fellowship stipend) may not exceed \$30,000. If the combined amount exceeds \$30,000 the student will have to choose between the dissertation fellowship and the graduate assistantship.

DESCRIPTION OF DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP

Applications are invited from students of the humanities and humanistic social sciences such as anthropology, religion, sociology, philosophy, political science, history, English, art history, and comparative literature who engage and transect our seminar topic. This fellowship is only open to Graduate Center doctoral candidates (i.e. you must be Level III by May 2014. There are no exceptions). Fellows will be expected to participate in the weekly Committee seminar, held Tuesday mornings. Please note: *Ability to attend weekly Committee seminars is a prerequisite of eligibility.* See Committee website for more details about the seminar theme and time for the upcoming year.

With generous support from the Mellon Foundation and the Office of the Executive Vice Chancellor, successful candidates will be granted \$10,000 total for Fall 2014–Spring 2015 in return for a commitment to fully participate in the work of the Committee and in the weekly seminar. The basis for selection of participants will rest primarily on the relevance to the overall project of the work proposal submitted by applicants. In accord with the interdisciplinary aim of the program, selections will also be made with an eye to maintaining disciplinary diversity.

APPLICATION COMPONENTS

Each application must include the following:

1. Cover sheet

See below (page four).

2. Statement of applicability

In one page or less, please highlight the connection between your research and the theme.

3. Proposal

a.) 9-page project description

Including a 150 word abstract (single-spaced at the top of the first page).

The project description should include discussion of the background, relevant literature, methodology, data, projected results, and a timeline/description indicating expected progress.

The text describing the dissertation project should be double-spaced using a 12-point font with numbered pages and a 1-inch margin.

Students are advised to keep in mind that the review committees will be composed of faculty from various disciplines. Proposals should be jargon-free and clearly written.

b.) 1-page selected bibliography

The bibliography can be single-spaced.

4. Two-page *curriculum vitae*.

5. Current Graduate Center transcript. (Students may submit the unofficial student copy that can be printed from banner.)

The application materials should be assembled as a single document in PDF in the following order:

1. Application cover sheet
2. Statement of applicability
3. 9-page proposal
1-page bibliography
4. 2-page CV
5. Current transcript

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The completed application must be submitted no later than **Friday, February 14, 2014 at noon**. The applications are to be submitted as per the following instructions.

1. Combine the following into a single PDF document:

1. Application cover sheet
2. Statement of applicability
3. 9-page proposal; 1-page bibliography
4. 2-page CV
5. Current transcript

Cover sheet, statement of applicability, proposal (including abstract and bibliography), *curriculum vitae*, and transcript.

2. **Save your document using the following format:** Last Name, First Name, Program

3. **Email the PDF** to the email address of the Committee to which you are applying:

The Committee on Globalization and Social Change
globalization@gc.cuny.edu

The Committee for the Study of Religion
studyofreligion@gc.cuny.edu

The Committee for Interdisciplinary Science Studies
sciencestudies@gc.cuny.edu

Mellon Transdisciplinary Committees
Dissertation Fellowship 2014–15 Award Year

DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION COVER SHEET

Name:

Banner ID number:

Doctoral Program:

Title of Proposal:

Name of Dissertation Adviser:

Names of Dissertation Committee members: