Center for the Humanities at Tufts (CHAT) Dean’s Dissertation Awards provide support in the dissertation research of two doctoral students working in the humanities and the arts within the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. Graduate students nominated by the following departments are eligible: Drama and Dance, English, and History. Each fellowship offers a stipend of $1,350 per month for 9–12 months, with up to an additional $1,800 if the research is presented at conferences, and upon submission of a final report. Each Fellow is required to submit this report to the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences on the research completed during the fellowship. The maximum award will be $18,000.

Eligibility

1. The applicant must be doing research for a doctoral degree in the humanities or the arts. It is the applicant's research and not departmental affiliation that must be in the humanities.
2. The applicant must have completed all doctoral requirements except the dissertation and be ready to start research for the dissertation as early as June 1 and no later than September 1, 2017, with approval of the dissertation proposal six months before the starting date.
3. The applicant must be in good academic standing as defined by the rules of the Graduate School.
4. During the award period the applicant must be enrolled as a full-time student as defined by the rules of the Graduate School.
5. An applicant may be of any nationality.
6. An applicant may apply simultaneously for other fellowships, but fellows may not hold other fellowships simultaneously with a Dean's Fellowship.
Nomination

Nominations must come directly from the departments, who may nominate up to three applicants for a Dean’s Fellowship. The nomination packet for each applicant should include:

1. A letter of nomination from the department.

2. A letter from the student's dissertation director, evaluating the student's work done at Tufts and progress towards the completion of the degree. Include details about teaching, merit of the student's project, and the student's professional activities.

3. A 2-3 page statement of purpose from the student, including what the student proposes to do during the period of the fellowship, and what s/he has done since the dissertation proposal, including any changes in the project since the proposal was filed.

4. Copy of the student's Tufts transcript.

Selection

The selection committee will include the Director, members of the advisory board to CHAT, and the Dean of the Graduate School as an ex officio member. The Director of the Center for the Humanities at Tufts will serve as chair of the committee. Fellowships will be awarded on the basis of scholarly merit. Preference may be given to students who are within six years of beginning their degree. If the student is not within six years, then the department should address the issue of timely progress toward the degree in its nomination letter. Generally no more than one fellowship will be granted to a particular department.

Deadline: Friday, March 10, 2017

Nominations and Applications Must Be Submitted Electronically by Departments to: https://tufts.qualtrics.com/jfe/preview/SV_eULT5sDTZfnlXNj

Questions
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