

NEH Fellowships for 1979-80 & 1980-81

NEH National Endowment for the Humanities

NEH Fellowships provide time for scholars, teachers, and other interpreters of the humanities to undertake full-time study and research. The scope of Endowment support includes, but is not

limited to, the study of the following: history, philosophy, languages, linguistics, literature, archaeology, jurisprudence, history and criticism of the arts, ethics, comparative religion, and those aspects of the social sciences that employ historical or philosophical approaches, including cultural anthropology, sociology, political theory, international relations, and other subjects

concerned primarily with questions of value rather than with quantitative matters. Candidates for degrees and persons seeking support for work leading toward degrees are not eligible, although applicants need not have advanced degrees to qualify.

NEH Fellowships are offered in three categories:

Category A

These are fellowships for independent study and research for scholars, teachers, and others whose work seems likely to lead to significant contributions to humanistic thought and knowledge.

Eligibility

Applications are encouraged from persons with broad interpretive interests as well as from scholars working in specialized fields. Non-academic applicants are welcome.

Selection Criteria

- (1) The quality, or promise of quality, of the applicant's work;
- (2) The importance of the proposed study to the applicant's field and to the humanities generally;
- (3) The conception, definition, and organization of the proposed study.

Stipends and Tenure

Fellowships will be awarded for continuous periods of either six or twelve months, with maximum stipends of \$10,000 for six months and \$20,000 for twelve. Stipends for fellows will be based on their current academic year salary, minus sabbatical and other grants. Although some assistance may be provided to help defray the costs of necessary travel, no special allowance is given for any other research expense.

Application Deadline

1980-1981 Program: June 1, 1979. Fellowships will not be offered in this category in 1979-1980.

Announcement of Awards

Late November, 1979

Category B

These are fellowships for independent study and research for persons engaged primarily in undergraduate teaching. The fellowship work should enhance their abilities as teachers and make important contributions to humanistic thought and knowledge.

Eligibility

Applicants should be primarily engaged in, or intending careers in, undergraduate teaching. Faculty members in doctoral degree institutions if they are predominantly engaged in teaching undergraduate courses are also eligible. Scholars in the early stages of their careers are encouraged to apply.

Selection Criteria

- (1) The quality, or promise of quality, of the applicant's work as a scholar and as a teacher;
- (2) The importance of the proposed study as a contribution to knowledge and to the enhancement of the applicant's abilities as a teacher;
- (3) The conception, definition, and organization of the proposed study.

Stipends and Tenure

Fellowships will be awarded for continuous periods of either six or twelve months, with maximum stipends of \$10,000 for six months and \$20,000 for twelve. Stipends for fellows will be based on their current academic year salary, minus sabbatical and other grants. Although some assistance may be provided to help defray the costs of necessary travel, no special allowance is given for any other research expense.

Application Deadline

1979-1980 Program: October 30, 1978
1980-1981 Program: June 1, 1979

Announcement of Awards

1979-1980 Program: mid-March, 1979
1980-1981 Program: late November, 1979

Category C

These fellowships provide opportunities to undergraduate college teachers to participate in seminars directed by distinguished scholars at designated universities and to undertake research and study of their own choosing beyond the work of the seminars. These fellowships enable college teachers to work in a library suitable for advanced study and to discuss their work with the seminar director and with other teachers from diverse institutions.

Eligibility

Only persons who are teaching in two-, four-, or five-year colleges and universities are eligible to apply. Faculty members of departments with doctoral programs are not eligible. Preference is given to applicants who have been teaching at the college level for at least three years.

Selection Criteria

- (1) The quality, or promise of quality, of the applicant's work as a scholar and as a teacher;
- (2) The importance of the proposed study as a contribution to knowledge and to the enhancement of the applicant's abilities as a teacher;
- (3) The conception, definition, and organization of the proposed study;
- (4) The applicant's qualifications to do the work of the seminar and make a contribution to it.

Stipends and Tenure

Fellowships will be awarded for a continuous period of twelve months, with a maximum stipend of \$20,000. Stipends for fellows will be based on their current academic year salary, minus sabbatical and other grants. Although some assistance may be provided to cover travel for the fellow and family members between their home and the seminar location, no special allowance is given for any other research expense.

Application Deadline

1979-1980 Program: November 13, 1978
1980-1981 Program: November 12, 1979

Announcement of Awards

1979-1980 Program: mid-March, 1979
1980-1981 Program: mid-March, 1980

Application Procedures & Additional Information

Applications are to be submitted directly to the Endowment. Applicants may apply in only one category in a single year. However, if applicants who have already applied under the 1979-1980 program of Fellowships for Independent Study and Research are interested in one of the new

categories, they may apply for either a Category B or a Category C fellowship for 1979-1980. Application materials and descriptions of the Category C seminars may be obtained from the Endowment. A list of the Category C seminars will be sent to department heads after

September 1, 1978. For additional information and application materials, write to the

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