

GRADUATE TEAM DISCOVERY FELLOWSHIPS

DEADLINE: February 14, 2020

The Graduate Team Discovery Fellowship is a financial award given by the Global Arts + Humanities Discovery Theme in collaboration with the Graduate School to recognize the cross-disciplinary aspirations and academic accomplishments of graduate students in the Division of Arts and Humanities in the College of Arts and Sciences. This program brings together a cohort of graduate students whose projects match with one or more of our Focus Areas and awards EACH student a yearlong fellowship. The fellowship is open to students whose projects engage cross-disciplinary critical and/or creative practices as well as students who seek to foster the development of participatory networks with local Columbus communities. Graduate Team Fellows may be at any phase of their dissertation research or terminal degree project.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A GRADUATE TEAM FELLOW?

In addition to focusing on their own research (as mentored by their department faculty advisor), Graduate Team Fellows convene as a cohort around GAHDT Focus Areas in order to support each other's evolving research, to develop cross-disciplinary methodologies and to generate a collective, public-facing project (like a podcast or website or conference presentation). In this work, Graduate Team Fellows will be mentored by one of our GAHDT Faculty Fellows with expertise in cross-disciplinary arts and humanities methods and practices.

AWARD CONDITIONS

The GAHDT Graduate Team Discovery Fellowship offers three consecutive semesters (autumn, spring, summer) of tuition and fees and a monthly stipend of \$2,150. The award includes travel and research support up to \$500. Support also includes payment of general/instructional fees, tuition and any learning/technology fee. Special fees, such as COTA, recreational facility, Student Union and study activity fees are not included. Graduate Team Fellows may not hold any other type of employment or appointment during the time of the fellowship.

ELIGIBILITY

- + Must be a doctoral student or student in a three-year terminal degree program (e.g., MFA) in the Division of Arts and Humanities of the College of Arts and Sciences.
- + Must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.6 for all Ohio State graduate courses.

FELLOWSHIP OBLIGATIONS

The Graduate Team Discovery Fellowship Program requires Graduate Team Fellows to meet with each other and an assigned faculty mentor once a month during the semester to help advance cross-disciplinary understandings and to contribute to the GAHDT. Fellows will be able to identify their own individual contribution to the team in consultation with the GAHDT-assigned faculty mentor. This contribution may include (but is not limited to) research presentations in a format of their choosing or the organization of related campus events or the creation of public facing projects. Graduate Team Fellows are required to apply for extramural (non-Ohio State) funding during the fellowship period and will be guided through this process by a faculty mentor.

TIMELINE

Competitions are held annually. Fellowships may not be deferred.

- + **Applications due** February 14, 2020
- + **Results announced** April 1, 2020
- + **Fellowship award period** Begins autumn 2020

HOW TO APPLY

All proposals must be submitted online, where applicants will be guided through the submission process for their proposal type. For more information, visit the Current Opportunities page on our website: go.osu.edu/gahdt.

SUBMIT ELECTRONIC COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS:

1. A complete CV.
2. A brief statement (two single-spaced pages) that:
 - a. Describes the student's creative or scholarly project.
 - b. Specifies how much of the project the student has already completed.
 - c. Describes how the project engages in cross-disciplinary dialogue relevant to at least one GAHDT Focus Area (Im/Mobility, Livability, Community, or Arts and Practices Methods Amplifier).
 - d. Describes the work that the fellowship will allow the student to complete.
3. A letter of support from the student's advisor that conveys the advisor's appraisal of the project's progress and cross-disciplinary significance, relevance of the project to the field of study, student's unique contribution and value of the fellowship to the student's overall graduate pursuits.
4. If the student's project involves a community partnership, it is highly recommended that the student provide an additional letter of support from the community partner.
5. A current transcript and/or academic advising report.

NOTE: No ancillary materials, such as DVDs or CDs, will be accepted. Web addresses linking to ancillary materials may be included as appropriate in the research statement.

EVALUATION PROCESS + CRITERIA

- + Applications will be evaluated by a sub-committee of the GAHDT Advisory Committee, which is comprised of senior members of the graduate faculty.
- + The advisory committee will consider all the required information presented in support of the application. Evaluation will focus on the cross-disciplinary reach and quality of the research or creative project proposed, the project's potential to link with one or more of GAHDT's four Focus Areas, and the student's ability to undertake the dissertation or degree project within the fellowship tenure as evaluated primarily by scholars outside the nominee's area of study.

CONTACT

Applicants may email questions to GAHDT Program Manager, Puja Batra-Wells, at batra-wells.1@osu.edu.