This small grants program is designed to enhance opportunities for graduate students (PhD and MFA) in the arts and humanities to advance their research and/or creative practice fostering cross-disciplinary inquiry in alignment with GAHDT’s Society of Fellows and its annual theme.

The Society of Fellows 2021-22 theme is Extinction | Imagination. We understand extinction as a range of existential threats to ecosystems, species, populations, cultures, languages and life ways. As the world faces unprecedented environmental, economic and health related threats, and in a moment in which a global pandemic and global awareness of racial violence and systems of inequality heightens our awareness of fundamental interdependencies, the frame of Extinction | Imagination invites scholars and artists to explore these pressing issues within an expansive cross-disciplinary framework. As such, this theme calls for a dual vision that attends to structural and embodied relations that contour extinction as well as the role of imagination in crafting sustainable and liberatory responses to these threats and systemic inequities.

GAHDT plans to award up to ten small research grants annually. Grants will total $2,500 and must be expended between October 1, 2021 and December 31, 2022. Grants can be rescinded if all program obligations are not met.

PROGRAM OBLIGATIONS

[+] Recipients must attend the Society of Fellows Cross-Disciplinary Digital Dialogues series (composed of presentations by faculty fellows and visiting speakers) and/or SOF Cross-Disciplinary Workshops for Graduate Students.

[+] Recipients must present their research or creative production at the Society of Fellows’ end of year event in May 2022. Given the uncertain future impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, this event may be modified to a hybrid or remote format consistent with university mandates and guidelines and will practice all social distancing and other safe campus protocols.

ELIGIBILITY

Grants are restricted to currently-enrolled students in arts and humanities PhD and MFA programs. Applications are considered from individual students only. Students who have received a GAHDT Graduate Team Fellowship are not eligible for these small research grant awards. The GAHDT anticipates offering up to 10 cross-disciplinary graduate research grants for the 2021-2022 academic year.
HOW TO APPLY

All applications must be submitted online, where applicants will be guided through the application process for their proposal type. For more information, visit the Funding page on our website.

SUBMIT ELECTRONIC COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS:

1. A short, two-page curriculum vitae.

2. A brief statement (two single-spaced pages) that 1) Describes the student’s creative or scholarly project; 2) Specifies how much of the project the student has already completed; and 3) Describes how the project engages in cross-disciplinary dialogue and intersects with the Society of Fellows’ annual theme of Extinction | Imagination.

3. Advising report (student must be in good standing). There is no need to submit official transcripts.

TIMELINE

- Call for applications issued: December 15, 2020
- Application deadline: July 1, 2021
- Decisions announced: August 1, 2021
- Funds released: October 2021

CONTACT

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