Guidance for Global Arts + Humanities Discovery Theme Mentors

Thank you for considering being a mentor to a new Global Arts + Humanities Discovery Theme (GAHDT) affiliated post-MFA researcher in creative arts or postdoctoral researcher. This is a great way to provide support and guidance to a junior scholar/practitioner while also providing a broader service to our Discovery Theme.

<u>**Guidelines for Mentors:**</u>

- **As a mentor, we ask that you judiciously give your time and support** by providing sound, thoughtful advice to your mentee regarding how he or she can best achieve his or her own scholarly or creative ambitions and also meeting the expectations of the post-MFA or postdoctoral researcher position.

- **We encourage our researchers to seek assistance from their mentors** in establishing contacts; finding potential collaborators; navigating GAHDT and the OSU campus, community and resources; and providing feedback to them in setting their goals for research, teaching, and other scholarly and creative activities.

- **A significant role** of GAHDT mentors is to collaborate in the creation of an annual mentoring agreement with their mentee. This [goal setting agreement](#) will establish yearly expectations and accountability for the researcher.

- **The commitment to be a mentor is open-ended** and may continue as long as the mentee and mentor both agree the relationship is providing value and working well.

- **We encourage mentees** to reach out for one-on-one mentoring meetings, and to use their mentors in ways that will bring the most value to them while also respecting their time and many commitments. We will also provide occasional opportunities for other networking throughout the year.

The commitment to be a GAHDT mentor is a meaningful one, and we hope that you will make a purposeful decision. If you have any questions regarding this commitment, please feel free to reach out to GAH faculty director, Wendy Hesford (Hesford.1) or program manager, Puja Batra-Wells (Batra-Wells.1) at any time.