



Michigan / Mellon -
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MICHIGAN-MELLON HUMANITIES FELLOWS IN EGALITARIANISM AND THE METROPOLIS APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR 1-YEAR POST-GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP

Michigan-Mellon Project on Egalitarianism and the Metropolis

The Michigan/Mellon Project on Egalitarianism and the Metropolis is a 4.5-year academic and research initiative focused on architecture, urbanism and humanities research in Detroit, Mexico City and Rio de Janeiro. It is made possible by a \$1.3 million grant from the A. W. Mellon Foundation. The project allows design theory and practice to inform and be informed by questions of social justice, social movements and transformative creative arts movements - both past and present. The emphasis on cities and their specificity will focus humanists on linking theories of human interaction and collective life with the physical space of a city and its histories. The increased expertise in urbanism allows for humanists to better understand the market forces and economic constraints that inform design decisions that directly affect human life.

For more information on the Project:

<https://taubmancollege.umich.edu/research/michigan-mellon-project-egalitarianism-and-metropolis>
<https://mellon.org/initiatives/University-of-Michigan/participating-institutions/>

2017-2018

Fellowships

Michigan-Mellon Humanities Fellows in Egalitarianism and the Metropolis

Humanities Fellows are expected to pursue independent research projects at the intersection of architecture, urbanism and the humanities, with particular emphasis on the role of egalitarianism in shaping urban metropolitan regions. Fellows' scholarship and/or creative work should also address aspects of one or more of the focus cities (Detroit, Mexico City DF and Rio de Janeiro). Fellows will join a vibrant intellectual community where interdisciplinary work is welcomed and new ways of integrating knowledge across the design and humanities disciplines is encouraged and incentivized. Humanities Fellows will teach two classes a year (seminar or lecture course), and co-teach a 4-week (one-day per week) module affiliated with the Michigan Architecture Prep Program - a semester-long architecture enrichment program for Detroit-based high school juniors. Each Fellow will receive work space at the University of Michigan. Fellows are encouraged to seek support from external agencies if it appears that their scholarly and creative work will be enhanced by such grants. At the end of each fellowship year, Fellows are required to submit a written report on their activities and are encouraged to present their work to a public audience

Qualifications

The University of Michigan invites applications from diverse backgrounds in the humanities (including but not limited to philosophy, art history and visual culture, media and cultural studies, urban studies, English and comparative literature, romance studies, Spanish and Lusophone studies, African-American and Latin American Studies). Applicants should possess a capacious appetite for intersections between their field of study, architecture and urbanism. Applicants should possess an interest in teaching and a demonstrated interest in cultural and disciplinary diversity. Fellows are expected to be in the early stages of their academic or professional careers. This appointment is not tenure-track. This appointment is open to 1) candidates for a PhD in an humanities-based discipline who have successfully completed their Examination for Admission to Candidacy and 2) candidates who are within 4 years of completion of their PhD.

Appointment Dates	2 Humanities Fellows are appointed for one calendar year, extendable to a maximum of 2 years.. Each Fellow should designate interest in a 1-year or 2-year fellowship term. The appointment is from August 1, 2017 to July 31, 2018.
Compensation/ Benefits	Humanities Fellows will receive a \$ 48,000 in compensation that includes fringe and health benefits. Fellows are eligible for participation in the University health, dental and life insurance programs. Each Fellow will receive 1 research stipend of \$3,200 per calendar year that may be used for research-related expenses.
Application Materials	<p>Application Documents must be submitted via email as a single pdf file of moderate size.</p> <p>Letter of Interest Curriculum Vitae (including degrees earned, experience, honors) Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Statement (work and accomplishments in DEI-related areas) Research Project Statement (max 3 pages: outlining 1-year or 2-year project) Teaching Interest Statement (max 1 page: outlining interest in teaching/learning) Writing Sample (max 10 pages) Recommendation Letters (2 Letters sent directly from recommender to Kate Grandfield)</p>
Submissions	<p>Submission Deadline: January 11, 2017</p> <p>Submit Application Documents via a single PDF to: Kate Grandfield, Project Administrator U-M Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning grandk@umich.edu 734.615.5260</p>
Questions	<p>Program Questions: Milton S. F. Curry, Project Co-Director U-M Taubman College Associate Dean msfcurry@umich.edu</p>

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