

CSWS Jane Grant Dissertation Fellowship
(For use between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018)
Deadline: Monday, January 30, 2017

The Center for the Study of Women in Society invites University of Oregon graduate students who are ABD (or will be ABD by the beginning of the grant period) to submit proposals for the 2016-2017 Jane Grant Dissertation Fellowship. This highly competitive award supports dissertations from a range of disciplines on topics related to scholarship, research, and creative work on women and gender. Awards are subject to the following conditions set by CSWS.

Award Conditions

Funded Amount: \$12,000. In addition, the Dean of the Graduate School provides the recipient with tuition remission for the 2017-2018 academic year. In terms of health insurance, CSWS offers a health care stipend in the amount of \$4,626.00. For US citizens and permanent residents, CSWS will cover the cost of the Domestic Student Insurance Platinum Plan offered by the UO Health Center: <http://healthcenter.uoregon.edu/Insurance/DomesticStudentHealthInsurancePlan.aspx>. Please note that this plan does not cover dependents.

1. **IRB Approval:** If the proposed research involves human subjects, the applicant must obtain approval from UO Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects/Institutional Review Board. Contact the Office for Responsible Conduct of Research, Suite 105, Riverfront Research Park or call (541) 346-2510. **Students need to provide written confirmation of IRB approval before funds can be released.**
2. **Note for Graduate Students with Financial Aid:** Receiving this award may affect your financial aid award. Please contact the Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships prior to applying for this (and any other type of) support.

Post-Award Obligations

1. Submit a final report of no more than 1,000 words about your research progress at the end of the grant year to csws@uoregon.edu. This report is due three months from the end of the fellowship period (e.g. by 30 Sept. 2018).
2. Notify CSWS about any publications or grants that result from CSWS funded research.
3. Share your research with the CSWS community. You may be asked to do this by giving a noon presentation at CSWS or contributing to CSWS research publications (such as *Research Matters*, or the *CSWS Annual Review*).
4. Acknowledge CSWS support in all publications including web publications and web sites, videos and/or creative work resulting from this fellowship.

Application instructions

Application Form: to be made available ASAP.

- 1. Abstract:** This should be an abstract of no more than 250 words for a non-specialist audience that includes a clear statement about the project's significance and the relevance of the research to broader issues or themes concerning women and/or gender.
- 2. Proposal:** The proposal narrative cannot exceed 1,200 words. The proposal narrative should be organized as described below in a–d. The proposal should be saved as a pdf and attached to the online application.
 - a. Conception and Definition:** Describe the specific research planned for the grant period, explaining basic ideas, problems, or questions to be explored.
 - b. Significance:** Briefly sketch the background of the proposed research, evaluate existing knowledge, and identify the gaps that your research is intended to fill. State concisely the significance of the proposed work to research on women and gender and how the work contributes to the mission of CSWS, particularly in terms of the relationship between gender and other aspects of identity (race, ethnicity, class, sexual orientation, ability, et al.). While the word limit prevents a full review of the literature, a succinct discussion of the most relevant literature will help reviewers better evaluate your proposal.
 - c. Work Plan, Methods, and Approach:** Proposals will be evaluated on the basis of their theoretical, methodological, and interdisciplinary strengths. Clearly explain how the research processes and/or methods identified in the proposal will elucidate the research questions posed. Proposals that gather primary data or use secondary data from human subjects should define the sample and procedures to be used and discuss data collection and analysis issues appropriate to the methodology or methodologies to be employed. Proposals that gather data from non-human subjects, including documentary or archival sources, should discuss relevant sampling and data collection issues and analytical and interpretive approaches to be employed. Proposals that are primarily theoretical, textual, or that involve the production of art, music, performance, video, or other creative material should discuss the relevant scholarly or aesthetic processes that ensure the quality of the proposed project. We strongly encourage interdisciplinary research that takes into account various methodologies and approaches (archival, ethnographic, etc.). If the project is interdisciplinary, the proposal should discuss the relevance of interdisciplinarity to your project.
 - d. Timeline of Project:** Identify major deadlines for the completion of the work you have proposed.
- 3. Bibliography:** Attach a two-page bibliography in pdf format.
- 4. Current Vita:** Two-page abbreviated vita, including education, recent employment, publications and relevant awards and honors. This should also be attached as a pdf document.
- 5. Current UO Transcript:** Attach an unofficial copy from the UO Registrar's Office.
- 6. Three Letters of Support:**
 - A letter from your dissertation advisor that includes the following information:
 - i) Date dissertation proposal was approved or date dissertation proposal will be approved
 - ii) Ability to achieve research objectives
 - iii) Anticipated contribution to research in discipline

- Two additional letters of support written by faculty members familiar with your work.
- All letters must be submitted by faculty members via e-mail attachment to csws@uoregon.edu before 5:00 pm on the deadline date.

If you have questions regarding application procedures or problems with submission, please contact CSWS at 541-346-5015 or csws@uoregon.edu.

Review Process

Decisions are made by a CSWS review committee made up of faculty members from different disciplines. Decisions are based on the quality of the application, the degree to which the project supports the mission and interests of CSWS, and the applicants' experience and qualifications. Recommendations for funding are forwarded to the director of CSWS who will make final decisions based on budgetary considerations.

All application materials must be submitted online no later than 5:00 p.m. on the deadline date, including letters of recommendation. We urge you to submit your application in advance of this deadline, which will give you time to troubleshoot.