

Call for Proposals Rothman Summer Faculty Fellowships in the Humanities (2017)

The Center for the Humanities & the Public Sphere, with the support of the Robert and Margaret Rothman Endowment for the Humanities, will continue its summer fellowship initiative for faculty in the humanities disciplines. We are soliciting proposals of existing creative/research projects, the completion of which will help faculty members to advance their careers, as well as proposals of a more experimental nature, in which faculty members engage in new areas of research or seek to bring their work to a broader audience. The competition for these fellowships will be open to faculty of all ranks including non-tenure track faculty and those with 'visiting faculty' status. These summer grants are not for courses, curriculum development, or conference funding (unless this is an integral part of a larger project). The Center expects to be able to fund four or five awards of \$1,500 to \$3,000.

We will use the definition given in the National Foundation for the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 as the basis for determining the eligibility of proposed projects:

"The humanities include, but are not limited to, the following fields: history, philosophy, languages, literature, linguistics, archeology, jurisprudence, history and criticism of the arts, ethics, comparative religion, and those aspects of the social sciences employing historical or philosophical approaches. This last category includes social and cultural anthropology, sociology, political theory, international relations, and other subjects concerned with questions of value."

Rothman Summer Fellowships in the Humanities will be awarded as a lump-sum payment of up to \$3,000 to be used in summer 2017 (without exception) in the form of salary or reimbursement for travel or research expenses. Faculty who received a 2015-2016 or 2016-2017 Humanities Scholarship Enhancement Fund award totaling more than \$4,000 from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Arts Scholarship Enhancement awards in this same period totaling (cumulatively) more than \$4,000, an FEO grant in the amount of more than \$4,000, or a Rothman Humanities Summer Fellowship from the Center in the same period are not eligible to participate in this competition.

In addition to beginning or completing scholarly projects, the Rothman Summer Fellowships in Humanities may also be used for professional development. Some of those potential activities that this fellowship might include are:

- Faculty re-skilling or another facet of professional development
- Time to develop a large-scale external grant proposal
- Time to outline and plan a new research project
- Money to use research computing facilities or other resources on campus

In addition to being highlighted on the website of the Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere, successful applicants will be required to write up a brief summary report of their summer research by 1 September 2017 as well as apply within the following twelve months for at least one external fellowship (i.e., outside of the University of Florida) to support their research in this or another area. Proof of such an application will be required for any future funding from the Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere. In addition, those who accept fellowships will be asked to present their work-in-progress in a lunch-time series to be held over the course of the 2017-2018 academic year (or the following year if they are not in residence at UF).

Proposal Format

The proposal should consist of 1) a two-page, single-spaced description of the project to be undertaken, including an explanation of how it will support the applicant's professional development and how the funds will be used, 2) a one-page bibliography, 3) a more formal budget if travel is planned or equipment is needed (up to one page), and 4) a brief CV of no more than three pages. The applicant's name, department or school, and project title should appear on the first page of the proposal.

An example of a past successful Rothman Faculty Summer Fellowship proposal used for travel is available [here](#). An example of a past successful Rothman Faculty Summer Fellowship proposal used for salary is available [here](#).

Proposal Due Date

Friday, 17 February 2017 by 5:00 PM

Please submit proposals as a single document through the online submission process at: <http://forms.humanities.ufl.edu/>. We invite applicants to write to the Rothman Chair and Director, Dr. Bonnie Effros, at humanities-center@ufl.edu in advance with queries about the grant process. Applicants will be notified in mid- to late-March 2017 regarding the status of their applications.