College of Arts and Humanities Dissertation Research Award
Guidelines and Criteria – 2011/2012

Purpose

The purpose of this award is (1) to recognize and reward doctoral students in the College of Arts and Humanities (A&H) who demonstrate a strong potential for significant scholarship and research accomplishments, and (2) to assist their efforts by giving them additional resources to devote to their scholarship and research activities. Up to 4 awards in the amount of $2,000 are available.

Eligibility

Applicants must be a degree-seeking student in a doctoral program in the College of Arts and Humanities, have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above, and have successfully defended their dissertation proposal. Past recipients of the A&H Dissertation Research Award are not eligible.

Applicants will submit a letter of application along with the following materials to the Dean’s office by January 10, 2012:

(1) A complete curriculum vitae
(2) A cover letter (two pages maximum) briefly describing their achievements to date and how this award will be used to significantly enhance their dissertation research.
(3) A summary paper that acts as an integrated summary of their proposed dissertation, not exceeding 10 pages excluding references and title page. The summary paper should describe the study's rationale, theoretical framework, research questions, relevant literature, methods, (results and conclusions if appropriate).
(4) A letter of recommendation from the graduate chair with an endorsement signature from the department chair.
(5) A letter of recommendation from their dissertation advisor.

A committee appointed by the Dean will review all applications and select up to 4 recipients by February 28, 2012.

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