



**Providing PhD candidates with support for dissertation research**

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DISSERTATION  
RESEARCH  
FELLOWSHIP

## About the fellowship

The International Dissertation Research Fellowship (IDRF) program supports the next generation of scholars in the humanities and humanistic social sciences pursuing research that advances knowledge about non-US cultures or US Indigenous cultures and societies. The program is open to a range of methodologies, including research in archives and manuscript collections, fieldwork and surveys, and quantitative data collection. The IDRF program especially welcomes applications from underrepresented institutions.

## Eligibility

The program is open to graduate students in the humanities and humanistic social sciences—regardless of citizenship—enrolled in PhD programs in the United States. Applicants must complete all PhD requirements except on-site research by the time the fellowship begins. Proposals that address US Indigenous topics or identify the United States as a case for comparative inquiry are welcome; however, proposals which otherwise focus predominantly or exclusively on the United States are not eligible.

## Fellowship terms

The IDRF program provides support for six to twelve months of dissertation research. Applicants from select humanities disciplines are eligible to apply for a shorter international component within the six to twelve months of support. Fellowship amounts vary depending on the research plan, with a per-fellowship average of \$23,000.

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