



DRESHER CENTER GRADUATE STUDENT FELLOWSHIP ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025

The Dresher Center for the Humanities invites applications for two Residential Graduate Student Research Fellowships for Academic Year 2024-25. One fellowship will be for **fall 2024** and one for **spring 2025**. Funding is intended to support and promote promising research in the humanities by graduate students at UMBC. The fellowships are open to all UMBC doctoral and master's level students working on humanities-related research projects that will culminate in a dissertation or master's thesis.

Please note the following change from previous years: Fellows will receive up to \$3,000 (\$1500 will serve as a stipend while the other \$1500 is to be used for research travel, materials, or other directly-related research expenses). They will present a session as part of the CURRENTS: Humanities Work Now series and attend the Humanities Forum and other Dresher Center events and workshops. The Dresher Center will allow fellows to work in Center office space, as available.

After the fellowship semester, fellows will submit a summary of the work accomplished during the semester, as well as a statement on the progress made toward the completion of their dissertation or thesis.

Application deadline: April 30, 2024

Application:

Interested graduate students should use the attached application form to describe the humanities focus and intellectual significance of their project; discuss the methodology and their ability to undertake the project; and clarify the part or stage of the project that will be supported by the fellowship. A letter of support from your research advisor should be sent to dreshercenter@umbc.edu.

DIRECTIONS FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION PAGE AND PROPOSAL

Requirements:

- Adobe Acrobat Pro or Reader
- Internet-connected computer or device

The completed application and proposal should be sent to dreshercenter@umbc.edu.

The proposal should be single-spaced, with one-inch margins, using a 12-point font, and formatted in Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx) or PDF (.pdf). The complete application, along with the research advisor's email recommendation must be received by **April 30, 2024**.

The proposal must include the following:

TITLE PAGE: Title of proposal and applicant's name and department

SUMMARY: (150 words or less) The summary should be written in non-technical language. Please keep in mind that all reviewers may not be experts in your field.

TEXT: Maximum three single-spaced pages. Proposal narratives exceeding three pages will not be considered.

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

- Include a clear and concise statement of the specific aims and intellectual significance of the proposed project, including a statement about its humanities focus.
- Explain how the project will complement, challenge, or expand relevant studies in the field.
- Describe the research method(s) and clarify the part or stage of the project that the fellowship will support.

BIBLIOGRAPHY (maximum one single-spaced page)

YOUR C.V. (abridged to focus on research and scholarly accomplishments; not to exceed two single – spaced pages).

For more information, contact us at dreshercenter@umbc.edu.

**DRESHER CENTER FOR THE HUMANITIES GRADUATE STUDENT FELLOWSHIP
APPLICATION FORM**

Due Date: April 30, 2024

PROPOSAL TITLE:
NAME:
EMAIL ADDRESS:
DEPARTMENT:
NAME OF RESEARCH ADVISOR:
PREFERRED FELLOWSHIP SEMESTER. PLEASE CHECK ONE BOX: <input type="checkbox"/> Fall 2024 <input type="checkbox"/> Spring 2025 <input type="checkbox"/> Either Fall 2024 or Spring 2025

I have read and accept the conditions under which this fellowship will be awarded (type name and date):

APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT _____ DATE _____

Please indicate below that your Research Advisor has reviewed this application and is sending via a separate email a paragraph-long recommendation to dreshercenter@umbc.edu by the application due date (April 30, 2024).

RESEARCH ADVISOR REVIEW ☐ Yes

I have read and accept the conditions under which this Fellowship will be awarded and support this application. I foresee no department responsibilities that will keep this applicant from completing the Fellowship work described above.