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SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM COVER SHEET

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Citizenship: _____

Educational Institution: _____

Major: _____

Degree & Date (Completed/Anticipated): _____

Current Institutional Affiliation: _____

Current Position: _____

Title of proposed research project: _____

A complete application must include:

- The Scholar-in-Residence Program Cover Sheet
- A 1000-word description of the proposed research. This document must be double-spaced and use 12-point type. It should: (1) explain the nature and significance of the project, including its impact on the scholarly community; (2) a brief discussion of the applicants preparation for this project; (3) describe how Houston Public Library collections will be used in completing the work undertaken during the term of the residency; (4) plan for carrying out the research; (5) significance of the project for the applicant's field of study; (6) outline of schedule (hours/days/months) that facilities will be used (ie. 6 hours per day/2 days per week for 6 months).
- Two confidential letters of recommendation from people familiar with the applicant's project.
- Curriculum vitae/resume (no more than 10 pages)
- *Applications are accepted year-round*

Completed applications must be mailed to:

or emailed to:

or completed online:

**Scholar-in-Residence Program
CERCL – MS 428
Rice University
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Houston, TX 77251-1892**

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SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM INFORMATION SHEET

A residential fellowship for scholars whose research focusing on Houston African American History and Culture would benefit from the Houston Public Library special collections (particularly the Gregory School archives).

Eligibility

The Scholar-in-Residence program is open to those holding the PhD, graduate students who have achieved candidacy and independent scholars. Foreign nationals who have resided in the United States for two years immediately preceding the application deadline are eligible to apply.

Evaluation

A selection committee, in light of the strength of the application materials, will evaluate each application for the Scholar-in-Residence program. Reviews are not made available to applicants.

Qualifications

Qualifications considered include: (1) the relevance of the project to the mission and goals of the Scholar-in-Residence Program; (2) the feasibility of the project; (3) the level of importance of the Houston Public Library collections for the project; and (4) the strength of the proposal in light of letters of reference; (5) special consideration given to research that provides a clear connection to a current urban issue of public significance (ie. racial justice/anti-black racism).

Terms

Residency period is any consecutive 6-month period

Scholar(s) will be provided with personal office space, access to the Gregory School archives, other Houston Public Library special collections.

Scholar(s) will be responsible for completing weekly timesheets and adhering to the proposed/accepted schedule.

Scholar(s) are provided with a stipend of \$3,500* after the completion of:

- Two distinct public lectures, one held on the Rice University campus and another at the Gregory School.
- One blog posting submitted to <http://urbanedge.blogs.rice.edu>
- One “What’s the Thesis” Podcast interview <https://www.cercl.rice.edu/whats-the-thesis>

All scholarship (publications, papers and on-line documents) developed in relationship to this fellowship must acknowledge CERCL and the residence program and copies must be provided to CERCL. CERCL must receive a copy of any master’s thesis or dissertation developed using research from this program.

**This fellowship does not include housing, and fellows do not receive salary or any compensation beyond the \$3,500 to be paid after all requirements above have been met. (W-9 must be submitted for check to be processed)*

Deadline

Applications are accepted year-round.