

HISTORY DEPARTMENT AWARDS

Students who have passed their comprehensive exams by February 29, 2024, and hold no grade of I or F, are eligible for annual fellowships, scholarships, and awards.

Pre-comp students, or those who have not received funding, and are traveling for conferences/research purposes may request funds for travel on a case-by-case basis. These funds are subject to availability. To request these funds, speak with the Graduate Program Coordinator to get the request form.

Annual Awards priority will be given to applicants who have not held a departmental award previously, but the Departmental Aid & Award Committee may consider previous awardees for a second award if there are no suitable first-time candidates.

All questions and application materials should be sent via email to Kathleen O'Neill.

Important Things to Remember

1. Departmental awards are disbursed only after the Departmental Administrator has received a thank you note to the donors who made the award possible, per the award letters.
2. The Aid & Award Committee meets with department faculty in late Feb, but because we make Departmental awards and nominations for Grad College fellowships at the same time, results are not announced until all fellowships are finalized. This may not be until late March or April.

There are different types of awards the Department Aid & Awards Committee reviews:

1. **Travel & Research Scholarships**, single payment to support travel or expenses incurred for dissertation research or conference attendance as a presenter.
2. **Research & Writing Fellowships**, to support a semester of protected research or writing.
3. **Henry Horwitz Prize** for the best syllabus by a graduate instructor in the previous calendar year
4. **Edwin Ford Piper Scholarship**, for a female history graduate student studying American History.

Applications for **all departmental fellowships or scholarships** should include the following (**by 2/8/24**):

- **Full CV** including all previous appointments (e.g. TAs, Internships, etc.), grants, and fellowships received (with dates) as well as the usual educational and professional experience, honors and awards, publications and presentations, etc.
- **Substantial piece of written work**, usually an approved prospectus, diss chapter, seminar paper or MA essay/QRP (*writing samples are read closely to evaluate applicants' scholarship*)
 - If applying for a Research & Writing Fellowship, submit all completed dissertation chapters
- A **letter of recommendation** from a faculty member (usually the advisor)
- A **statement (up to one page)** describing the research to be undertaken, scholarly significance of the proposed research, work to date, and what research/work will be carried out if awarded

Travel & Research Scholarships

The Department awards the following scholarships for support travel or expenses incurred for dissertation research or conference attendance as a presenter.

Scholarship Award	Selections	Requirement	Amount*
William O. Aydelotte Dissertation Scholarship	2 to 3	Unrestricted	\$5,000
Laurence Lafore Dissertation Scholarship	1 to 2	Unrestricted	\$5,000
Lawrence Gelfand Dissertation Scholarship	1	Unrestricted	\$5,000
William L.M. & William E. Burke Scholarship	2 to 3	European History	\$5,000
G.W. & A. R. Prange Scholarship	1	European History	\$ 3,500
Elizabeth Bennett Ink Scholarship	1	US History	\$ 5,000
George F. Garcia History Scholarship	1	Student in underrepresented group or studying history of underrepresented group(s)	\$ 3,000

**Note: Amounts shown are given for reference and subject to change.*

Research & Writing Fellowships

The Department offers the following fellowships to support a semester of protected time to devote to dissertation research or writing:

Dwight and Hannelore Bozeman Fellowship: 1-2 awards, unrestricted, \$10,000
(requires one semester of service, e.g. teaching, in the Department)

Ann Leger-Anderson Dissertation Fellowship: 2 awards, for female students in any field, \$10,000
(requires one semester of service, e.g. teaching, in the Department)

Ellis Hawley Fellowship: 1-2 awards, unrestricted, \$10,000
(requires one semester of service, e.g. teaching, in the Department)

Charles F. Strong History Fellowship: 1-2 awards, Early American and/or French Revolution, \$10,000
(requires one semester of service, e.g. teaching, in the Department)

Henry Horwitz Prize

Named for distinguished former UI faculty member Henry Horwitz, the Horwitz Prize recognizes excellence in teaching by a History Department graduate student. It is awarded to the student deemed to have produced the best course syllabus in past year. The winning graduate instructor receives \$500. All syllabi taught in Spring or Fall 2023 are eligible and will be reviewed.

Edwin Ford Piper Memorial Scholarship Fund

This memorial scholarship is open to all female graduate students studying American History. Edwin Ford Piper was a poet of the Midwest and former faculty member at the University of Iowa. The University of Iowa Libraries Special Collections has the Edwin Ford Piper Folklore Collection (1929-1941). A \$1,000 scholarship is given to a history student – broken up into two payments of \$500 each, one in September and one in February. All eligible students will be considered; priority will be given to those who have not yet received this scholarship.

GRADUATE COLLEGE FELLOWSHIPS

Digital Scholarship & Publishing Studio Fellowships (for summer 2024), February 7

PhD students at any stage are eligible for a mentored internship at the UI Libraries Digital Scholarship & Publishing Studio. Priority will be given to students whose projects relate to their dissertation work. Summer fellowships include participation in a summer class in digital scholarship at the Studio. Does not require departmental nomination but must be submitted by the department to preserve confidentiality of recommendations. Application materials, including recommendations should be sent by **email to Kathleen O'Neill by January 29.**

Post-Comprehensive Research Award (for Fall 2024), March 6

Students completing comprehensive exams between September 1, 2023 and February 29, 2024 are eligible to apply for a semester of protected time to focus on dissertation research. Requires departmental nomination. Application materials, including recommendations should be sent by **email to Kathleen O'Neill by February 26.**

Ballard and Seashore Dissertation Fellowships (for Fall 2024), March 6

Students who will defend their dissertations and graduate in Fall 2024 or Spring 2025 are eligible for a semester of protected time to complete their dissertation writing. Priority will be given to those graduating in the semester they are applying for. Requires departmental nomination. Application materials, including recommendations should be sent by **email to Kathleen O'Neill by February 26.**

Graduate College Summer Fellowships (for summer 2024), March 6

Students who have defended their comps by February 29, 2024, are eligible for a \$5,000 stipend to support summer dissertation research. Does not require departmental nomination but must be submitted by the department to preserve confidentiality of recommendations. Application materials, including recommendations should be sent by **email to Kathleen O'Neill by February 26.**

Graduate College Fellowship Incentive Program, rolling deadline

The Graduate College will pay you \$400 to apply for external fellowships. All students who work with a faculty advisor and apply for a nationally competitive fellowship (Fulbright, SSRC, AAUW, Ford Foundation, etc.) are eligible simply by filling out a form. Previous FIP recipients may reapply. Funds are available all year but are distributed in December and June depending on your application date.

T. Anne Cleary International Dissertation Research Fellowships, rolling deadline

ABD students are eligible for grants of up to \$5,000 to support dissertation research outside of North America. Applications must be submitted **at least 10 weeks prior to intended departure.** Because the Graduate College will cease to consider applications once all allocated funds have been awarded each year, students should apply as early as possible. Does not require departmental nomination but must be submitted by the department to preserve confidentiality of recommendations. Application materials, including recommendations should be sent by **email to Kathleen O'Neill at least 48 hours prior to intended submission date to the Graduate College.**

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Stanley Graduate Awards for International Research, January 29, 2024

Students who have not yet defended their dissertation prospectus are eligible for grants between \$1,000 and \$2,500 to support international research and fieldwork. More information, including application details, here: <https://international.uiowa.edu/funding/students/awards/stanley/graduate/>.

GENDER, WOMEN'S & SEXUALITY STUDIES DEPARTMENT

Application materials, including recommendations should be sent to gwsstudies@uiowa.edu by **February 2, 2024**. Click here for more information on [GWSS Scholarships](#).

Jane A. Weiss Memorial Dissertation Scholarship,

A \$4,000 scholarship for a PhD candidate whose dissertation focuses on issues pertaining to women. Graduate students from all disciplines are encouraged to apply.

Stephen Lynn Smith Memorial Scholarship for Social Justice

Two awards of \$4,000 each will be given to students demonstrating a commitment to the principles of social justice and progress. This award is open to undergraduate and graduate students.

Adah Johnson/Otilia Maria Fernandez Scholarship

The 2024-25 Johnson/Fernandez Scholarship will be awarded to a graduate woman student of color who has taken courses in the Gender, Women's & Sexuality Studies Department or whose academic interests include some aspect of women's culture or experience. One award of \$1000 will be given.

GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Spring deadlines: February 26, March 25, and April 22

Travel Grants for travel to conferences and workshops within 90 days of application deadline.

Research Grants for research to be completed within six months of award.

Service Grants for service projects to be completed within six months of award.

More information, including application details, here: <https://gpsg.uiowa.edu/grants-for-students/>.

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

Presentation Travel Funds for travel to present at conferences, meetings, symposia, or other professional or academic gatherings.

Degree-Related Travel is assistance to pay a portion of both domestic and international travel expenses for graduate students who must travel for the completion of a graduate project. The project can be research, scholarship or a creative activity required by your degree program.

Research Grants available for research expenses including archive usage, equipment, supplies, software, interviews (research related).

More information, including application details, here: <https://gss.grad.uiowa.edu/funding/>