



Mellon Junior Fellows 2016-17

Application deadline: January 15, 2016

The initiative in Humanities, Urbanism, and Design (H+U+D) at the University of Pennsylvania is a five-year project funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to foster critical and integrative consideration of the relationship between the humanities and the design professions in the analysis and shaping of the built environment. It has a number of component parts, including a bi-weekly faculty Colloquium, the sponsorship of graduate and undergraduate courses, student research funding, special lectures, participation in conferences, and a Junior Fellowship program. For more information on the initiative see: <http://www.humanitiesurbanismdesign.com/>

Applications are now invited for two one-year Junior Fellowships to be held in 2016-2017.

One fellow will be selected from the humanities and one from design. Each will be hosted at Penn by a department in the other discipline.

Mellon Junior Fellows will be selected on the basis of their ability to contribute, through research and teaching, to the mission of the initiative. During their ten months in residence, they will have the opportunity to pursue their own research. They will participate in the bi-weekly Colloquium, presenting their research at one of those sessions, and they will also participate fully in the academic life of their host departments. In the spring semester they will teach an undergraduate seminar, which may be co-taught by the two fellows.

Eligibility

Applications are invited from junior scholars in all humanistic and design disciplines whose work deals with the built environment of cities, landscapes, and architecture and who wish to expand its inter- trans- and multidisciplinary character. Applicants for 2016-17 will hold a PhD that was defended no later than December 15, 2015 and who will have held the PhD degree for no longer than 10 years on August 1, 2016. Candidates may hold tenure-track positions but may not be tenured at the time of application or during the fellowship year. Applications are welcome from scholars of all nationalities and academic affiliations.

The University of Pennsylvania values diversity and seeks talented students, faculty and staff from diverse backgrounds. The University of Pennsylvania does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, creed, national or ethnic origin, citizenship status, age, disability, veteran status or any other legally protected class status in the administration of its admissions, financial aid, educational or athletic programs, or other University-administered programs or in its employment practices.

Terms of appointment

The fellowship stipend is \$55,000. Health insurance will be provided for fellows but not for family and dependents. Fellows may employ the stipend to supplement their sabbatical salaries. As participants in the Colloquium, they will receive a research fund of \$2,500, which will be disbursed according to University guidelines for such funds.

Fellows are required to be in residence in Philadelphia during the fellowship year (August 1– May 31).

Application Guidelines

Applications and letters of reference must be received by 11:59 P.M. EST on January 15, 2016. These materials should be sent to Ms. Mary Rocco, H+U+D Program Manager (mellon-hud-initiative@groups.sas.upenn.edu).

Applications should be assembled as one PDF comprising

1. cover sheet (template attached as Word document and also available on website)
2. curriculum vitae
3. research proposal (750 words maximum)
4. undergraduate seminar proposal (200-word description plus syllabus)

Your PDF and the email that conveys it should be titled
<Your last name> HUD application;
e.g., **Smith HUD application**

Also arrange to have three letters of reference, which discuss your research proposal, sent directly to Ms. Rocco (mellon-hud-initiative@groups.sas.upenn.edu). The letters should be in the form of PDFs, and the PDFs and the emails that conveys them should be titled
<Your last name>_<Reference writer's last name> HUD reference;
e.g., **Smith_Jones HUD reference**

Applications will be judged on the basis of the capacity of the proposed research and teaching to advance the interdisciplinary aims of the H+U+D initiative.

Address questions to

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