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Research Fellowship Application Instructions

Applications due November 8, 2024

Overview

The Arizona Historical Society (AHS) awards short-term research fellowships to visiting scholars for one to three weeks of residency in Arizona. These are travel grants intended to defray travel and living expenses and/or other research-related costs. Applications for the 2025 cycle are due by November 8, 2024. The AHS research fellowship is a competitive award, and applicants will be scored based on their project's contribution to the study of Arizona history and their use of Arizona archival materials, with a strong preference for those projects that utilize AHS archival materials. Awardees will be notified in late December 2024.

Awards range between \$500 and \$2,000 per project and only cover travel and research expenses (outlined below). Fellows must use the funds within calendar year 2025. At the end of the project, fellows are expected to submit a 3–5-page report on their research experience. Awards will be disbursed once the narrative report is received and approved.

Preference is given to projects that have a high probability of publication in the *Journal of Arizona History*. Projects involving alternative uses of archival records, such as background research for multimedia projects, exhibits, and documentary films, are eligible, as are projects that will utilize AHS's 3-D object collections for research purposes.

Eligibility

Applicants must be over 18 to be considered for an AHS research fellowship. Applicants working on doctoral dissertations and those at the postdoctoral level are especially encouraged to apply. Applications from international scholars are welcomed. Scholars without institutional affiliation will be considered for funding. Any researcher who resides in Arizona is welcome to apply but preference will be given to Arizona residents who live more than 100 miles from the archive they intend to use. Applicants should only request funds to defray travel and research (scans, photo reproductions, etc.) costs.

How to apply

Applications should be emailed (as a single Word or PDF document) to Jaynie Adams at jadams@azhs.gov. If you have any questions, please contact Jaynie via email or at 520-617-1154.

Applicants must submit a cover page, curriculum vitae, prospectus and proposed budget.

The cover page should state the applicant's name, email address, title of project, and anticipated dates of visit. The title page should also include institutional affiliation, field(s) of study, and classification (MA, ABD, PhD, independent historian, etc.) if applicable.

Please send a shortened curriculum vitae of no more than three pages.

The two-to-three-page prospectus should describe your current project and emphasize how it would benefit from research at AHS. Please include:

- a project overview, including sources and methods
- work completed to date
- necessity of research in AHS collections to project
- significance of the project
- residency timeline, including dates and location(s)
- an annotated bibliography of the AHS collections you wish to consult

AHS supports research on all aspects of Arizona, including work that occurs at other repositories in the state. If you wish to also visit other archives in Arizona, you must identify the repositories you intend to visit and include those visits in your proposed residency timeline.

You must submit a preliminary budget for your research expenses. Eligible costs include travel, lodging, meals, photocopying, and photo reproduction. Please provide an itemized breakdown for travel, hotel, per diem (rate based on what is generally available in the region), parking, photocopying and other research expenses. Please note: parking at AHS archives is free.

All applicants are responsible for making sure the application package is complete and received by the deadline. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Other important information

The Arizona Historical Society has locations in Tucson (949 E. 2nd St.) and Tempe (1300 N. Collage Ave.). AHS reading rooms are open by appointment only Tuesday-Friday from 10 AM to 3 PM (Arizona MST). Fellows must have confirmed appointments in advance of their visit to AHS locations. Failure to do so could result in termination of the award.

[Learn more about AHS archives here.](#)

Explore the [AHS Archives catalogue](#) and [AHS 3-D collections catalogue](#).

For information on other repositories across the state, please see [Arizona Archives Online](#).