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Fellowships are awarded in recognition of outstanding prior academic achievement, promise of future academic excellence, and successful completion of studies to date.

## Marquette Attendance

Applicants must have attended the Marquette University Graduate School for a minimum of two years, including at least one year in a doctoral level humanities program. The period between the date of application and the end of the current school year may be counted as part of the same minimum two-year period.

# Requirements/Senior Program Progress

Each August, the affected Departments will be informed by the Graduate School as to how many Smith Fellowships will be available to them in the upcoming year. Departments will manage the selection process of their students, but departments must file their selection process with the Graduate School. Departments should only select students who are sufficiently far enough in their programs to have met the eligibility requirements already, or who are certain to meet them by August 15 of the award year. Prior to awarding the fellowship, the department must forward their selected candidates to the Graduate School who will confirm eligibility for the fellowship.

## Research Topic

Applicants must have a well-defined research topic that will necessitate travel to another city, State or country. Their research statement should include the rationale of the research topic and the necessity for travel.

disqualified. Rather, their fellowships will begin when they have completed all of the stated program requirements.

### NOMINATION PROCESS

Departments will develop their own selection process (which must be filed with the Graduate School), but *at a minimum* the application must include the following documents.

- 1. A curriculum vitae, including current graduate GPA;
- 2. A dissertation outline, indicating how travel is necessary for the student's doctoral research (max. 3 pp.);
- 3. A determination of financial aid done by Marquette. U.S. citizens, permanent residents, or anyone eligible for federal financial assistance must submit the FAFSA form for us to determine need eligibility. They <u>cannot</u> use the Net Price Calculator. After the FAFSA is processed, the Graduate School will verify each student's need. Non-U.S. citizens, or others not eligible for federal financial assistance, should complete the Net Price Calculator. To complete their profile, however, they should answer Yes to the "Is the student a US Citizen," even though they are not U.S. citizens. Students who receive offers of loans as a result of their FAFSA applications, are under no obligation to accept them.
- 4. Two letters of reference (due at the time of nomination) from the dissertation director and another faculty member familiar with the student's work (can be from a potential host).

Items 1-3 are to be submitted directly to the DGS by the candidate. Item 4 is to be submitted directly to the DGS by references.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

Since the Smith Family Fellowship is intended to provide for full-time study, additional outside employment is not allowed. Except for the period of travel, Fellows are expected to be full-time resident students.

#### **DEADLINES**

Students: Students should contact their respective departments for information on their internal