University of California, Los Angeles
Institute of American Cultures

2014-2015 Graduate and Predoctoral Fellowship
Program in Ethnic Studies

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Application Form

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES  
The Institute of American Cultures (IAC) is responsible for strengthening and coordinating interdisciplinary research and instruction in ethnic studies with special attention to the four UCLA Ethnic Studies Research Centers: American Indian Studies Center, Asian American Studies Center, Bunche Center for African American Studies, and Chicano Studies Research Center. The IAC, which houses the Ethnic Studies Research Centers, offers graduate fellowships to UCLA students with demonstrated interest in African American, American Indian, Asian American, or Chicano/o studies. We especially encourage applications that advance our understanding of new social and cultural realities occasioned by the dramatic population shifts of recent decades, including greater heterogeneity within ethnic groups and increased interethnic contact. The fellowships are awarded to those individuals who, in the judgment of the IAC Executive Committee, show great promise in academic research and scholarship in ethnic studies.

ELIGIBILITY  
This campus-wide program is open only to graduate students at UCLA and seeks to support students in the completion of their thesis/dissertation. Application for the fellowship in African American Studies is open only to doctoral students who will have advanced to candidacy by the beginning of the fellowship year.

FUNDING  
The terms of the fellowship may range from 1 to 3 quarters and will cover in-state tuition and fees plus a maximum stipend of $6,000 per quarter. Restrictions apply regarding acceptance of supplemental employment and/or other awards during the fellowship year. Contact the IAC Office for further information.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES  
The fellowship review committee is comprised of UCLA scholars from a diverse range of disciplines. Only complete applications will be considered. The following components are required for a complete application:

1. Statement of Purpose  
Give careful consideration to the statement of purpose. Present your academic and career objectives, as well as any distinctions that could augment your research. Explain and support why your research should be considered meritorious to the appropriate Ethnic Studies Research Center. Address the following in your statement. Limit: 2 pages single-spaced.
   a. What are your primary academic goals and research interests?
   b. How do you see your participation in this fellowship program as developing these goals and interests? Clarify any specific impact on teaching and/or scholarly research in ethnic studies.
   c. How will participation in this fellowship program contribute to your academic, professional and personal development.

2. Research Summary  
Summarize the research project you have selected for your thesis/dissertation. State your investigative approach to the problem, theoretical background, methodology, and analysis plan. Limit: 2 pages single-spaced (12 pt font, 1 inch margins).

3. Transcripts  
All applicants must submit official transcripts for all college-level courses taken in degree-granting programs. Request transcripts well in advance of the deadline.

4. Supporting Documents  
   a. Secure letters of recommendation from three faculty members with whom you have worked most closely. Use the enclosed Appraisal Forms and provide references with a copy of your proposal. Have your letters of recommendation sent directly to the appropriate Ethnic Studies Research Center. Note the “received by” deadline.
   b. Curriculum vitae.

5. Applications and supplementary materials will be accepted via email as a PDF attachment or via mail to the IAC Coordinator at the Ethnic Studies Research Center most appropriate to the area of research.

DEADLINE  
All completed application materials must be received no later than February 5, 2014 at 5:00pm. Incomplete and late application files will not be reviewed.

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Bunche Center for African American Studies (Bunche)  
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Chicano Studies Research Center (CSRC)  
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193 Haines Hall/Box 951544  
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Institute of American Cultures (IAC)  
ATTN: IAC Coordinator  
310.825.6815 / iaccoordinator@conet.ucla.edu

NOTIFICATION OF AWARDS  
Applicants will be notified of award decisions in April.
Please check one: □ Asian American Studies Center (AASC)  □ Bunche Center for African American Studies (Bunche)

Name: ____________________________________________________________ Female □ Male □
                                      Last                                                             First                                                             Middle

UCLA I.D. #: ____________________________

Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________
                                      Street                          City, State (Country)                                                ZIP Code

E-Mail Address: ______________________________________________________

Telephone Number: (      ) ____________________________ Cell Phone Number: (      ) ____________________________

California Resident? Yes □ No □  U.S. Citizen? Yes □ No □

If No, citizen of: ____________________________ Visa Type: Student □ Permanent Resident □

Major: ____________________________ Field of Specialization: ____________________________

Degree Program:  M.A. □  M.F.A. □  Ph.D. □  Other: ____________________________

Thesis/Dissertation Committee Chair: ____________________________________________

Date You Began Program: ____________________________ Current Status in Program: ____________________________

Date Advanced to Candidacy: ____________________________ Expected Date of Graduation: ____________________________

ACADEMIC DATA

Degree and Area of Discipline  Name of Institution/Location  Dates Attended  Cum. GPA

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Qualify your level of proficiency in reading, speaking, and writing for each language other than English:

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List academic or scientific organizations in which you hold membership:

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List any awards, prizes, etc., you have received:

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Applicant's Name

EMPLOYMENT DATA (Please provide employment data relevant to your fellowship application. List in reverse chronological order, beginning with your current position.)

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List the names of three persons from whom you have requested appraisal letters regarding your abilities, particularly in relation to your fellowship proposal. PROVIDE EACH REFERENCE WITH A COPY OF YOUR PROPOSAL AND WITH ONE OF THE ENCLOSED “APPRaisal FORMS” AND AN ENVELOPE WITH THE RETURN ADDRESS OF THE APPROPRIATE ETHNIC STUDIES RESEARCH CENTER. Appraisal Forms must be submitted directly to the appropriate Ethnic Studies Research Center, received no later than February 5, 2014. Incomplete application files will not be reviewed.

Under the Federal law entitled the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, individuals are given the right to inspect their records, including letters of recommendation. We shall consider all letters of recommendation carefully. We believe, however, that in many instances letters written in confidence are of greater utility in the long run as a means of assessing a person’s qualifications, abilities, and promise. You have the option of agreeing or not agreeing to waive your right to inspect these letters.

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Have you applied for any employment or fellowships (i.e., Federal, State, University, or private) that may affect your application? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, please identify and list employment/award decision dates

The University of California in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Action of 1973, and the Age Discrimination Action of 1975, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or age in any of its policies, procedures, or practices; nor does the University discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation. This nondiscrimination policy covers admission and access to, and treatment and employment in, University programs and activities, including but not limited to academic admissions, financial aid, educational services, and student employment. Inquiries regarding the University’s equal opportunity policies may be directed to Campus Counsel Patricia M. Jasper, Box 951405, Los Angeles, California 90095-1405, (310) 825-4042. Speech and hearing impaired persons may call TTY (310) 206-6083. Inquiries regarding ADA and 504 Compliance may be directed to Karen Henderson-Winge, Assistant Coordinator, Box 951405, Los Angeles, California 90095-1405, (310) 825-7906 Voice or (310) 206-3349 TTY.

I hereby certify that the information in this application package is complete and accurate. I understand that misrepresentation of any portion of this application may be cause for canceling the financial award or appointment.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
Name of Candidate (please print) ____________________________________________________________

I agree ☐ do not agree ☐ to waive rights to have access to letters of recommendation under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and any other laws, regulations, or policies.

Signature of Candidate ____________________________________________ Date ______________________

TO THE APPRAISER: The candidate whose name appears above is an applicant for an IAC fellowship in ethnic studies. Please provide a candid and critical appraisal of the candidate’s research and (if applicable) teaching abilities. For the applicant’s file to be complete, your appraisal must be received by February 5, 2014. Incomplete applications files will not be reviewed.

Name ____________________________________________ Position or Title __________________________

Please Print

Address __________________________________________________________________________________

Street ___________________ City, State (Country) ___________________ ZIP Code ______________________

Signature ____________________________________________ Date ______________________

Please return this form to the appropriate Ethnic Studies Research Center.

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