AmSt Undergraduate Research Fellowship 2016

APPLICATION FORM

The Department of American Studies will support the research projects of selected undergraduate majors in American Studies. Students have the opportunity to engage in a well-defined research project under the guidance of an American Studies faculty member.

All research projects must be undertaken with ongoing input and direction from the faculty mentor. It is expected that the student and mentor will discuss their expectations regarding the time commitments of both parties, scope of research, and anticipated results, and arrive at a mutually agreeable understanding. Most often, the student will be a rising senior who will begin the research for the senior research course in the fall. The deadline for applications is April 20, 2016.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY: Any American Studies major may apply for the summer research fellowships, but preference will be given to rising seniors who are proposing projects that will lead into their senior research. (Research money that is awarded may be spent in fall as well as summer.) Students may also apply for other projects, such as specific research to be carried out during a semester abroad or original and creative projects that are time-sensitive. Students who receive other GW Undergraduate Research Awards (Luther Rice, etc.) are not eligible.

FACULTY MENTOR: Any full-time American Studies faculty member may supervise a project. You must have an agreement from the faculty member, who will be contacted by the awards committee for a recommendation.

FUNDING: The American Studies undergraduate research fellowships provide an award of $250-$1,500 meant to support the student’s research-related expenditures, which may include travel, materials, and equipment. Students must submit receipts for reimbursements of expenses up to the amount of their award.

AWARD PERIOD: In most cases, the project will begin during the summer and must be concluded by December 1 of 2016.

APPLICATION: A complete application consists of a) a Student Application Form and b) a Faculty Mentor Form. By submitting their applications, students thereby allow selection committees to review their academic transcripts.


AWARD REQUIREMENT: All award recipients are required to submit timely progress reports on their research, and to produce the final product that they have agreed upon with their mentor.

NOTE: Applications are accepted only via email. By submitting an application, you are consenting to allow the review committee to access your academic transcript.
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STUDENT APPLICATION FORM
SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION TO amst@gwu.edu

Name (Last, First): Email:
Address:
Phone:
Year: GWID:

Faculty Mentor:

Title of Research Project:

Date(s) of Research Project:

Student Project Description

Describe below the project you propose to undertake. Include a) a short summary of the project; b) the essential questions you propose to investigate, c) your research plan and the timeline for your project, D) the expected outcomes, and e) the contributions your project will make to the field. The description should be approximately 500-750 words.

Student Experience and Goals

Provide a brief description of your previous research experience and what you hope to achieve through doing this project. State clearly 1) any previous research experience you have had and how it might relate or contribute to this project, and 2) what you expect to gain from doing the project and how it fits in with your future academic or career goals. This description should be no longer than 500 words.