January 8, 2020

Alvord Fellowship in the Humanities
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Attentions Chairs in the Humanities and humanities-related areas of study

Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to invite departmental nominations for the Alvord Fellowship in the Humanities. This endowed fellowship was established through the generous gift of Ellsworth and Nancy Alvord and is matched by State funds. The terms of the Alvord Endowment specify that selection must be based on academic merit, with secondary consideration of financial need, from among graduate students in any humanities discipline.* Every effort will be made to assure diversity among the disciplines represented by the recipients, and priority will be given to those whose scholarly and research interests cross disciplinary lines. The competition is open to any student who has completed the M.A. degree, or equivalent in programs with no required degree preceding the Ph.D. Students must be enrolled full-time and be in good academic standing to receive this award.

We are now combining the $16,000 Alvord Fellowship Award with a $9000 fellowship from the Frank L. and Catherine D. Doleshy Endowed Fund. This combined fellowship for the year of 2020-21 (effective dates September 16, 2020 - June 15, 2021) is worth $25,000 and includes graduate student benefits. In addition, the Graduate School has again generously committed to providing a tuition waiver for the Alvord Fellow.

Each department is limited to ONE nomination. A nomination packet must include:

1) a completed nomination form;
2) a letter of nomination from the department chair or dissertation chair;
3) an additional faculty letter of recommendation;
4) the candidate's brief (no more than 1,000 words) statement describing their research project(s) and how this research will contribute to their respective field or fields;
5) curriculum vitae; and
6) current transcript. (This transcript need not be official (sealed); copy generated from MyUW is fine.)

Please email your nomination packet as a single pdf to Barbara Mack, barbmack@uw.edu by 8:00 AM, March 16, 2020. I hope to announce the results by May, after review by a faculty committee.

Sincerely,

Brian Reed
Divisional Dean of Humanities
Milliman Endowed Chair in the Humanities

cc: Barbara Mack, Helene Obradovich, Debbie Olson

* The term 'humanities' includes, but is not limited to, the study and interpretation of the following: language, both modern and classical; linguistics; literature; history; jurisprudence; philosophy; archaeology; comparative religion; ethics; the history, criticism and theory of the arts; those aspects of social sciences which have humanistic content and employ humanistic methods; and the study and application of the humanities to the human environment with particular attention to reflecting our diverse heritage, traditions, and history and to the relevance of the humanities to the current conditions of national life. (National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act, 1965, as amended)