Institute for Advanced Study

Faculty Fellowships
What is the IAS?

• Interdisciplinary University-wide center
• Supports and encourages research and creative work in arts, sciences, humanities
• Fosters collaborative and interdisciplinary work
• Dedicated to public and intellectual exchanges across and beyond the University
Located in Northrop, on the Twin Cities Campus
Faculty Fellows Program

• Residential fellowship at the IAS on the Twin Cities campus for one semester

• All University of Minnesota faculty are eligible (except IAS Advisory Board members and those who have had an IAS faculty fellowship in the past 5 years)

• Designed to allow fellows to participate in and benefit from the IAS’s interdisciplinary community of scholars

• Projects have included book manuscripts, articles, grant proposals, gallery shows, theatrical works, etc.
Faculty Fellows Program

What is included?

• One semester release from teaching
• Half of faculty salary and fringe for the semester in residence (capped at $30,000); your college covers the other half
• Up to $10,000 for relocation expenses (rent in the Twin Cities, mileage, utilities, etc.) for faculty from other system campuses
• Workspace with computer at the IAS offices
• Access to IAS Grant Consultant and University of Minnesota Press editors
Faculty Fellows Program

Applying in a team

• Two or three faculty involved in collaborative work may apply as a team

• May submit the same general project description, but each applicant should include a paragraph indicating precisely what his or her contribution to the final project will be

• Applications will be evaluated both on individual merit and as a group
Faculty Fellows Program

What is involved?

• Two-day retreat at the beginning of the semester
• Weekly lunches
• Attendance at Thursdays at Four presentations
• Informal opportunities
• Work on your own
Faculty Fellows Program

It is not:

• Official leave – service obligations still possible
  As it is not official leave, it does not count against your sabbatical clock

• Time entirely to yourself – expectation is that fellows will participate in the intellectual community of the IAS

• Combinable with single-semester leave or sabbatical in the same academic year
Faculty Fellows Program

Faculty Fellows – Spring 2006 to Fall 2015:

• 132 faculty fellows
• 47 departments/programs
• 13 colleges/schools/divisions
• 3 campuses
Faculty Fellows Program

• “Scholar’s paradise”
• “What I dreamed academic life would be like”
• “By the end of the semester, I felt so much more confident about my research project than I had at the beginning, and that had much less to do with how much time I had spent writing and more to do with my sense of having grown intellectually as a consequence of participation in the IAS program.”
• “An intellectual candy store.”
Other Fellows at the IAS

• Program fellows funded by grants to the IAS
• Interdisciplinary Doctoral Fellows
• Community of Scholars Doctoral Fellows
• Visiting fellows
• Scholars and Artists in Residence
Faculty Fellowship Application

• Due Friday, October 23
• Online application
• Routes for approval to department chair and college dean
• Reviewed by IAS board committee
• Decisions will be announced by the end of January 2016

ias.umn.edu/how-to-apply/
Faculty Fellowship Application

- Proposal abstract – 200 words
- Description – 1,500 words
  List of works cited do not need to be included in word count
- Complete curriculum vitae
Up to three additional files may be attached
- Images (e.g., for visual projects)
- Do not include letters of support
ALL FILES MUST BE PDFs
Faculty Fellowship Application

Proposal Description

• What is your project?
• What is its significance?
• What do you hope to accomplish while at the IAS?
• How do you see your project developing in the IAS’s interdisciplinary community?
• How do you see yourself contributing to the IAS’s interdisciplinary community?

Your project does not need to be connected to a Research and Creative Collaborative or the University Symposium
Faculty Fellowship Application

What reviewers want to see in your proposal:

• A plan of work – do you have a clear idea of what you intend to do?
• Why the IAS? How does being at the IAS benefit your project?
• How do you see yourself contributing to an interdisciplinary community?
• With whom and how does your work connect in the academic and/or broader community?
Faculty Fellowship Application

What reviewers **do not** want to see in your proposal:

• “I just need time to myself to finish writing my book.”

• “My project is nearly finished and I already know exactly where it is headed.”

• Impenetrable jargon.
Faculty Fellowship Application

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IAS Faculty Fellowship Application 2016-17

New request
Launch a new request.

Search
Search your closed or in progress requests and actions.

Follow-up of the requests in progress: 7
Follow-up of the requests of which I am the manager.

Follow-up of the actions in progress: 7
Follow-up of the actions of which I am the manager.
Request #94939

Faculty Fellowship Application 2016-1

Date: 5/29/2015
First name: Susannah
Last name: Smith
Email: ssimith@umn.edu
Internet ID: ssimith
Employee ID: 145854G
Department: 
College and campus: Select your campus and college 
Project title: 

If you are applying as a part of a team, list other team members.

When would you prefer to take the fellowship? Unless you have a strong preference, please select "No preference."

Semester preference: Select 

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS: To attach a document, click on "Browse" to locate a file, click "Open", then click "Add" before proceeding to the next attachment. Attachments MUST be PDFs.

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- Proposal (up to 1500 words): Browse... No file selected. [ Add ]
- Full curriculum vitae: Browse... No file selected. [ Add ]
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APPROVALS
Enter the internet ID of your department chairhead. Your proposal will route to this person for approval. If approved by your chairhead, it will route automatically to the dean or chancellor of the college/campus you indicated above.

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