Humanities Center



Resident Scholars Program 2017 - 2018

2014-2015 Resident Scholars meeting: Meghan Wilson, Poli-Sci; Walter Edwards, Director; Sharon Lean, Poli-Sci; Zachary Brewster, Sociology; Chera Kee, English and Sarah Swider, Sociology (not shown: Dan McCafferty, Art and Art History; and Kyunahm Jun, Poli-Sci)

Eligibility

All full-time faculty in the humanities, arts, and related disciplines are eligible to apply, including those who are on sabbatical for all or part of the academic year.

Funding

Each resident scholar will be eligible to apply for up to \$800 to support his or her approved project. The resident scholar may use this money for travel to conferences to report on his or her approved project, or for payment for research assistance. This amount will be prorated for residents who are appointed for periods shorter than one full academic year.

Conditions

Each Resident Scholar must agree to:

- Establish office hours at least twice a week for a minimum of three hours per session; or three times per week for two hours per session. This is the central requirement of the program since it provides the opportunity for residents to interact frequently and, thus to influence each other's work and develop collaborative projects.
- Spend his/her office hours working on his/her research project, or interacting with other resident scholars having office
- Participate in roundtable sessions with other residents when these are arranged.

Application

Applicants should submit three (3) copies of a proposal with the following content no later than July 7th, 2017.

- A description of the project that the applicant would be working on during the period of his or her residency.

 A statement indicating how the residency would enhance the professional career of the applicant.
- A commitment to keep regular office hours throughout the residency.

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DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JULY 7, 2017

The Humanities Center of Wayne State University announces the continuation of its Resident Scholars Program. The aim is to create a community of humanities and arts faculty from different disciplines working in the same physical space at roughly the same time. Such an arrangement could facilitate the formation of valuable research networks and promote interdisciplinary collaborations and joint grant applications. Resident Scholars meet periodically to share progress, experiences, and emerging conclusions from their research or creative work. Resident Scholars will also be expected to keep office hours at the Center, making research collaboration possible. The program should be attractive to all full-time faculty, but faculty on sabbatical leave should find it particularly appealing. Each office is equipped with a personal computer, and office furniture. Additionally, resident scholars have access to a network printer, the internet, a photocopier, and a fax machine. The Center also has a conference area.

Testimonials

"During my year (№°#-2014) as a Resident Scholar in the Humanities Center, I have completed a draft of my article "Deterritorializing Language with Deleuze: A Question of Style" that will also serve, in a modified form, as the introductory chapter in a book manuscript on Deleuze and style; I hope to start developing the new book manuscript during academic year 2014-15."

Alina Cherry, Assistant Professor, CMLLC

"I have had an amazing productive year as a Humanities Center Resident Scholar. My primary goal was to take full advantage of my course relief this year to produce papers based on my dissertation, jump starting my research program here at Wayne. I felt like I could best do this surrounded by other scholars who were also in a period of intensive thinking and writing. I was right. Over the course of the year I was able to polish a long manuscript and get it published at Semantics & Pragmatics, which is one of the top journals in my subfield."

Robert Henderson, Assistant Professor, Linguistics

"This year spent as a Humanities Center Resident Scholar has allowed me an opportunity to redefine and reshape my work on interdisciplinary education, public awareness and promotion of African American art songs and spirituals. After receiving feedback from fellow research scholars during a roundtable discussion, I expanded my unit lesson on William Grant Still (1895-1978), along with a teacher's guide, to reflect the wider influence of underrepresented African American composers in classical music."

Emery Stephens, Assistant Professor, Music

"It is hard to describe how wonderful my year as a Resident Scholar at the Humanities Center has been. Having returned from a sabbatical conducting fieldwork on accountability institutions in Mexico to new service and teaching responsibilities in my department, the Humanities Center provided a quiet space - and an uncluttered office - where I could focus on my research and writing. My commitment to spend two mornings a week in the Center allowed me to carve out time to keep my research moving forward. I met colleagues from across the campus and gained a new appreciation of the depth and breadth of the work we do at Wayne. I benefited from their generous and insightful interdisciplinary feedback on my own work, found new opportunities for collaboration and made new friends. Walter Edwards and the staff and program assistants create a warm and supportive environment. My only regret is that I did not apply to be a Resident Scholar sooner!"

Sharon Lean, Associate Professor, Political Science