Grant Title: MELLON/ACLS DISSERTATION COMPLETION FELLOWSHIPS

Funding Opportunity Number: N/A

Agency/Department: Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

Area of Research: Fellowships to assist graduate students in the humanities and related social sciences.

Release and Expiration: N/A

Application Deadline: November annually.

Amount: Stipend: $25,000, plus funds for research costs of up to $3,000 and for university fees of up to $5,000. Number of awards: 65.

Length of Support: One year.

Eligible Applicants: Applicants must: (a) be Ph.D. candidates in a humanities or social science department in the United States. Applicants from other departments may be eligible if their project is in the humanities or related social sciences, and their principal dissertation supervisor holds an appointment in a humanities field or related social science field. (Students completing master's degrees are not eligible, even if they are the terminal degree in the field.); (b) have all requirements for the Ph.D. except the dissertation completed before beginning fellowship tenure; (c) be no more than six years in the degree program; awardees can hold this Fellowship no later than their seventh year.

Summary: The Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships is the first stage of the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation/ACLS Early Career Fellowship Program, a significant new fellowship program providing support for young scholars. The first part of this program—the Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships—makes possible a year of supported research and writing, to help students complete their dissertation. The second part of the program provides support for a year, following the completion of the doctorate, for new scholars to advance their research. A grant from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation supports this program. The Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships are to assist graduate students in the humanities and related social sciences (1) in the last year of Ph.D. dissertation writing. This program aims to encourage timely completion of the Ph.D. Applicants must be prepared to complete their dissertations within the period of their fellowship tenure and no later than August 31, 2012. ACLS will award 65 Fellowships in this competition for a one-year term beginning between June and September 2011 for the 2011-2012 academic year. The Fellowship tenure may be carried out in residence at the Fellow's home institution, abroad, or at another appropriate site for the research. The total award of up to $33,000 includes a stipend plus additional funds for university fees and research support. These Fellowships may not be held concurrently with any other fellowship or grant.