



The Engaged Scholar Initiative: A Texas Model

Undergraduate Fellowship Application

2019-2020 Cohort

Deadline: Friday, March 29, 2019 @ 5:00 pm

Submit to: Cassandra Shulter, cshulter@austin.utexas.edu

Questions: Dr. Mia Carter, miac@austin.utexas.edu

Eligibility Requirements

- Minimum GPA of 3.2
- Minimum of Junior class standing by Fall 2019
- Preference for applicants who are College of Liberal Arts students majoring in Humanities or Humanistic Social Science disciplines

Application Materials

- ESI Undergraduate Fellowship Application form
- ESI Essay (*limit: 2 pages, double-spaced, 1" margins*)
- Resume (*limit: 1 page*)
- Sample Paper: scholarly essay written for a class at UT Austin
- Letter of Recommendation: from UT Austin professor or instructor

Required Interview

- Applicants selected for final consideration will be invited to a mandatory interview. Interviews are expected to be held in early April 2019.
- Candidates should visit the ESI website and review the ESI Graduate Fellows' profiles. Be prepared to discuss one or more of the Graduate ESI Fellows' work and what you find interesting or compelling about their project(s): <https://liberalarts.utexas.edu/research/mellon-esi/>.
- Candidates will also be asked about their intellectual commitments to the Humanities, Public and Community Engagement, Mentorship, and scholarly collaboration.

Applicants for the ESI Undergraduate Fellowship must submit all application materials as a single PDF file by **Friday, March 29, 2019 @ 5:00 pm**.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:

UT EID:

Classification (e.g. second semester sophomore, junior):

Local Address:

Permanent Address:

Phone:

Email:

Are you a first-generation college student?

Yes

No

Parent(s) level of education:

Diversity can be defined in a number of ways. How would your inclusion in the ESI project contribute to the diversity of the cohort?

Race/Ethnicity; select all that apply (optional)

The Mellon Foundation and the ESI program are committed to the recruitment of underrepresented minority groups

American Indian or Alaska Native

Black or African American

Asian/Asian American

Foreign

Hispanic

Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

White

Other

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

** Preference for applicants who are College of Liberal Arts students majoring in Humanities or Humanistic Social Science disciplines.*

Major(s):

Minor(s):

Foreign Language Proficiency:

Current GPA:

Possible Fields of Public or Professional Interest:

Possible Field(s) of Graduate Study:

List any technical or creative skills, with level of proficiency (e.g., coding, graphic design, website building, film editing):

List any technical or creative skills that you would like to acquire (e.g., Adobe Photoshop, Microsoft Excel, coding):

ESI ESSAY

One essay is required. Provide an essay on one of the following topics (*limit: 2 pages, double-spaced, 1" margins*):

- Why are you a Humanities major? What inspired your commitment to the Humanities? What is your sense of the public or civic value of a Humanities degree?
- What intellectual, cultural, or creative experience has inspired you? What was its lasting impact on your scholarly and personal development?

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Resume: highlight academic, community, and extra-curricular activities, and any honors and awards received (*limit: 1 page*)

Scholarly Writing Sample: a graded and assessed writing sample, completed for a course at UT Austin, that represents your best scholarly work to date

Letter of Recommendation: from a UT Austin professor or instructor; recommenders should submit letters directly to Cassandra Shulter (cshulter@austin.utexas.edu)