

### **Integrated Fellowship Initiative for Ph.D Students Call for Applications Deadline: March 1, 2021**

With generous funding from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and in partnership with the San Diego Community College District (SDCCD), the UC San Diego Division of Arts and Humanities is excited to announce the second year of the Integrated Fellowship. The initiative will fund six Ph.D. Arts & Humanities Fellows for the 2021-2022 academic year and will include professional development programming as well as a \$30,000 stipend plus resident tuition/fee payments.

The fellowship introduces UC San Diego Arts & Humanities Ph.D. students to a range of academic leadership positions and career options. In particular, fellows will be encouraged to learn about career pathways available within the San Diego Community College District (San Diego City, Mesa, and Miramar Colleges) and the ways in which these positions support the transfer mission of community colleges. The Integrated Fellowship supports the professional development of all fellows by assessing their career-related skills, interests and goals, imagining and exploring different career choices, and mapping out a professional development plan that includes community college leadership.

The fellowship consists of the following three components:

- Teaching (Job Shadowing)
  - Regularly observe a SDCCD course and meet with the instructor(s) to debrief the observation, reflect on the class, and ask questions
  - Guest lecture for at least 2 course sessions, co-create and discuss individual lesson plans with instructor(s)
  - Participate in exam preparation, garner experience with grading and providing feedback to community college students, and engage in intentional conversations about the diversity represented in the community college classroom
  - Write monthly and bi-monthly reflections to document and assess the experience
  
- Administration
  - In rotation, shadow SDCCD and UC San Diego administrators in departments of Student Affairs and Services, Research Affairs, Instructional Services/Educational Affairs, Advancement or other relevant areas to experiment and prepare for leadership opportunities via direct participation in activities that build and strengthen collaborative administrative skills
  - Explore interests in partnership with administration; participate in relevant events, meetings, and initiatives (such as DEI taskforces, departmental meetings, student equity initiatives, academic senate, board meetings, and DGC [district governance council]), and schedule one-on-one meetings with administrators throughout the district
  
- Mentoring
  - Mentor one SDCCD student with an emphasis on transfer guidance and career/graduate school preparation; ensure mentee engages in all required PATH

- program activities
- Provide SDCCD students with exposure to UC San Diego resources, databases, and graduate courses
- Organize an undergraduate reading group and discussion

**Eligibility:** Full-time enrolled UC San Diego Arts & Humanities (Philosophy, History, Literature, Visual Arts, Theatre & Dance, Music) Ph.D. students who are in good academic standing. Must have advanced to candidacy and have at least one full year left before graduation. Fellows will need to complete a LiveScan and TB test with SDCCD before entering the classroom. Please note. fellows will incur the cost of the LiveScan and TB test.

**Award Amount:** The fellowship stipend of \$30,000 will be paid over nine months from September 2021-May 2022. Resident tuition and fees will be covered. Please note that this award precludes any campus employment during your tenure as a fellow.

**Award Period:** Note that activities will take place between September 2021-May 2022. We expect that the weekly time commitment will average about 10 hours/week. Note that SDCCD is on the semester system.

**Application Process:** Please submit an electronic application in a single PDF file with the following information to [sbedia@ucsd.edu](mailto:sbedia@ucsd.edu) by March 1, 2021:

- Contact and biographical information. Fill out form here: <https://forms.gle/czfi224dLLborqbB8>
- Proposal (3 pages maximum). This should include a short description of your research, as well as your career goals and interest in community college teaching and/or administration. Fellows will have the opportunity to shadow administrators from UC San Diego, the San Diego Community College District office, San Diego City College, San Diego Mesa College, or San Diego Miramar College. In no more than one paragraph, outline two to three departments or administrators that you would like to engage with throughout the fellowship from these institutions. The proposal must also include a statement on your record working in equity, diversity, and inclusion. Responses should briefly address the following questions highlighting how the applicant overcame barriers, and/or demonstrated a commitment to diversity.
  - Leadership (e.g. coordination of volunteer activities, board member in student organization, residential life, student government etc.) etc.)
  - Overcoming Adversity (e.g. overcoming educational, social, cultural, economic, barriers, or barriers related to accessibility, etc.)
  - Community Involvement (e.g. volunteer service, organizing, activism, teaching, mentoring, counseling, community art production etc.)
  - Social Justice Experience (e.g. addressing systemic inequality through education, organizing, activism, mentorship, counseling, outreach/access, survival and development work, event planning/coordination, community building and development, etc.)
  - Personal or Professional Ethics (e.g. experience with an ethical code, conduct seminars, IRB training, etc.)
  - Research (e.g. undergraduate research, involvement in McNair or similar programs, independent or group study with a professor or researcher, research outside of academia, full-time research after college, etc.)
  - Other (e.g. any other kind of experience or information that you feel will help add to creating a diverse spectrum of ideas, perspectives, and experiences)
- Curriculum vitae (3 pages maximum)

- Two letters of support to be submitted directly by the recommenders to [sbedia@ucsd.edu](mailto:sbedia@ucsd.edu) by March 1, 2021, midnight. One of the letters should be written by the dissertation advisor. Letters of support should discuss the student's suitability for this fellowship and emphasize your knowledge of a student. In your letter, explain how the student would benefit from this fellowship and how it would make a difference in their academic trajectory.

**Award Process:** A committee of UC San Diego and SDCCD faculty will review applications and make the selections. Awardees will be notified in late April/ early May. We will coordinate with the student's home department and Graduate Division to administer the stipend and fee payments.<sup>1</sup>

**Reporting Process:** Awardees will be required to submit a report and document their experiences and lessons learned. Details to follow. Awardees will also need to meet with the UC San Diego program manager at least once per quarter to discuss their activities and offer real-time feedback about the fellowship program.

*We will have the next call for applications for this fellowship in Winter 2022.*

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<sup>1</sup> The stipends are payable upon approval from the student's home department to ensure that the stipend will not exceed the Graduate Division or departmental maximum earnings limit.