

APPLICATION DEADLINES & REQUIRED MATERIALS FOR ANNUAL POSTDOC COMPETITONS

DEADLINES/TIMELINE:

Abbreviations:

SoF = Society of Fellows

JRF = Junior Research Fellowship (Oxford/Cambridge equivalent of Society of Fellows)

WP = Writing Program

SL = Shortlist (includes Requests for Additional Materials)

INT = Interview

R = notified of rejection

O = offers made

* = not a postdoc, but likely in same job cycle (e.g. Dissertation Completion Fellowships, WP posts)

+ = requires a sponsor at the host institution

(Dates are approximate, drawn from 2019-2020 cycles. JRF exact dates for all stages will be listed in each college's "Further Particulars." Notes include typical timelines for responses and rates of success statistics where available.)

For further info and updates, see current and previous years of the academic postdoc wiki:

https://academicjobs.wikia.org/wiki/Humanities_and_Social_Sciences_Postdocs_2020-2021

POST	DUE	NOTES
Princeton SoF	Early Aug	R 12/10
JRF Jesus, Cambridge	Aug 24	SL 10/2, R 11/18
JRF Trinity, Cambridge	Aug 26	R 10/6
Harvard SoF	Late Aug/Early Sept	INTs (<10%) held every Friday of fall, R 12/9
Michigan SoF	Sept 14	R 12/21
Dartmouth SoF	Sept 14	R 11/25 – 1/15, accept <1%
Dartmouth Leslie Center	Sept 15	R 11/18-1/16
JRF St John's, Cambridge	Sept 21	R 11/3
JRF Gonville&Caius, Cambridge	Sept 29	R 11/9
Cornell SoF	Oct 1	annual theme
JRF Emmanuel, Cambridge	Oct 2	R 11/10
Michigan LSA Collegiate Fellows	Early Oct	diversity focus
Columbia SoF	Early Oct	R 1/14
JRF Magdalen, Oxford	Oct 14	rotating fields
UPenn Wolf Humanities	Mid Oct	annual theme (must defend by December)
UChicago Stevanovich	Oct 15	O late Jan/early Feb
UChicago SoF	Mid Oct	SL 12/8, INT invites mid-late Jan (does not hire every track every year, though every track accepts apps. See Wiki.)

JRF Christ's College Cambridge	Oct 20	SL 11/4, INT 1/13, O 1/14
*ACLS Diss Completion	Oct 23	O + Alternates 3/20 (65 awards/1000 apps)
Stanford SoF	Nov 1	R 3/23 (4 awards/659 apps), rotating fields
UCalifornia President's Postdoc	Nov 1	Many participating schools, diversity focus
<i>JRF Magdalene Cambridge</i>	Nov 2	R 1/9
NYU Core	Nov 1	
Cornell SoF Mellon Postdocs	Nov 1	rotating fields
Fitzwilliam&Trinity Hall, Camb	Mid Nov	R Mid Jan (1000+ apps)
USC SoF	Nov 12	SL Jan/Feb, R March, (900+ apps)
*RU Mellon Diss Completion	Nov 13 (internal)	O + Alternates 3/5
JRF Merton/CC/St John, Oxford	Mid Nov	SL late Jan/Early Feb, R 2/19 (2 awards/212 apps), fields rotate through the three colleges
JRF Clare Cambridge	Nov 22	R 1/13 (1 award/890 apps)
*USC WP	Nov 30	R 12/17
WUSTL Modeling Interdisc...	Dec 4	(hear mid-Feb)
*Harvard Hist/Lit Lecturer	Jan 7	
*Harvard WP Preceptor	Jan 7	
JRF Corpus Cambridge	Jan 13	SL Late Jan, INT March
Corpus Christi Oxford	Jan 13	INT Mid Feb
Princeton WP	Jan 15	
Cornell SoF HSP	Feb 1	
JRF St Hilda's	Feb 18	
ACLS Public Fellows	Mid March	

The list above contains programs that run competitions every year on a regular schedule. For less regular or longstanding programs (and those with narrower eligibility), see also (in no particular order):

University of Melbourne: <https://sites.research.unimelb.edu.au/research-funding/internal/mckenzie-fellowship> (due May, requires sponsor)

ACLS Emerging Voices Fellowship: <https://www.acls.org/Programs/Fellowship-and-Grant-Programs/Competitions-Deadlines/ACLS-Emerging-Voices-Fellowships> (in response to pandemic, may be short-lived)

Center for the Humanities at Tufts: <https://sites.tufts.edu/chat/postdoctoral-fellowships/>

Wesleyan Center for the Humanities: <https://www.wesleyan.edu/humanities/fellowships/mellon.html>

Texas Historical Institute: <https://liberalarts.utexas.edu/historicalstudies/fellowships/resident-fellows.php>

Council on Library and Information Resources: <https://www.clir.org/fellowships/postdoc/>

USC Humanities in a Digital World: <https://dornsife.usc.edu/digitalhumanities/postdocfellowships/>
<https://irh.wisc.edu/irh-fellowships/>

Emory Fox Center: <http://fchi.emory.edu/home/fellowships/index.html> (most need PhD in hand)

USC Center for the Premodern World: <https://dornsife.usc.edu/center-for-the-premodern-world/postdoctoral-fellowship/>

University of Cincinnati Taft Research Center: <https://multisite.uc.edu/taft/fellowship/fellowships>

UToronto Jackman Humanities Institute: <https://humanities.utoronto.ca/jhi-fellowships>

University of Alberta Killam and Notley postdocs: <https://www.ualberta.ca/research/support/post-doctoral-office/awards-funding/u-of-a-fellowships/killam-and-notley-application-procedure>

Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Curatorial Fellowships:

<https://www.amphilsoc.org/grants/curatorialfellowship>

Dalhousie University Killam Postdocs:

<https://www.dal.ca/faculty/gradstudies/postdoctoral/prospective/postdoctoral-fellowships.html> (also housed at University of British Columbia)

Yale Postdoctoral Fellowships in the Humanities

Consider also:

-long-term fellowships (9-12 months) at relevant research libraries (note that some require PhD in hand at time of application)

-postdoctoral fellowships to work on a specific funded project (more common abroad, check jobs.ac.uk)

-for citizens of other countries: postdoc competitions run by national government bodies for their own citizens (e.g. SSHRC postdocs for Canadians)

REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS

For competitions listed in first deadline section. Subject to change.

JRF JESUS CAMBRIDGE – AUG 25 (5pm UK time)

https://jrf.jesus.cam.ac.uk/rf_2021_arts/

-statement of research (2000w) - outlining the work candidates would submit in support of their application and the research they propose to pursue if elected. Please note that the statement will be read by people outside as well as inside the candidate's own discipline and should therefore be intelligible to scholars in other subjects.

-cv

-2 letters

-if shortlisted give 500w statement of research importance and 40,000w writing sample

JRF TRINITY CAMBRIDGE – AUG 27 (midnight UK time)

<https://www.trin.cam.ac.uk/applying/jrf-how-to-apply/>

-cv + 1000w statement of current research and scope of the diss that you intend to submit should you be shortlisted

-10,000w sample of work with explanation of its place in your current and projected research work

-3 letters

-no interviews

-if shortlisted: full diss and 2000w statement about it

HARVARD SOCIETY OF FELLOWS – AUGUST 28

-cv

-list of publications

- writing samples – 3
- research proposal 1-2p
- 4 letters
- transcripts (undergrad and grad)
- non-technical abstract 150w

MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF FELLOWS – SEPT 14

<http://societyoffellows.umich.edu/the-fellowship/application-guidelines/>

- 2 letters
- application form
- cv
- writing sample (40p double spaced)
- research proposal (3 double spaced pages)

DARTMOUTH SOCIETY OF FELLOWS – SEPT 14

<https://www.dartmouth.edu/sof/fellowships/postdoc.html>

VIA INTERFOLIO

- cv
- personal statement 1500w (outlining your scholarly agenda: completed research (including dissertation), plans for the three-year fellowship (including new research beyond the dissertation), and any other information related to your professional goals)
- why Dartmouth 750 words (describe the work of at least two faculty who might serve as mentors, summarize your teaching interests, explain why you wish to be part of a multidisciplinary cohort and how your life experiences have prepared you to advance Dartmouth's commitments to diversity, equity, and inclusion)
- 3 letters

DARTMOUTH LESLIE CENTER MELLON POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP – SEPT 15

<https://leslie.dartmouth.edu/opportunities/post-docs/mellon-postdoctoral-fellowships>

VIA INTERFOLIO

- application form
- 2 letters
- cv
- transcripts
- personal statement 2000w (outlining their completed research (including dissertation), work in progress, professional goals and plans for publication, and any other information relevant to their candidacy)
- letter confirming graduation date
- name two courses you'd teach

JRF – ST JOHN'S COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE – SEPT 22 (2pm UK time)

<https://sjcamrf.flexigrant.com/>

- 3 letters
- application form

- cv material
- research accomplishments 1500w
- future plans for experts 500w
- future plans for non-disciplinary readers 500w
- contribution to field of study 500w
- list of writings
- 25000w of writing samples
- no interviews

JRF – GONVILLE & CAIUS CAMBRIDGE—SEPT 30 (5pm UK time)

https://rfc.cai.cam.ac.uk/rf_arts_2021

- 2 letters
- application form
 - cv material
- statement of research (2000w) - Outline the work you plan to submit in support of your application, and the research you propose to pursue if elected. Please note that the statement will be read by people outside as well as inside your own discipline and should therefore be intelligible to scholars in other subjects.
- writing sample (30,000-80,000w)

UMICHIGAN LSA COLLEGIATE FELLOWS – EARLY OCT

<https://lsa.umich.edu/ncid/fellowships-awards/lsa-collegiate-postdoctoral-fellowship.html>

- cv
- research proposal (2-3p)
- personal statement and diversity commitment (1-3p)
- teaching statement (1-3p)
- dissertation abstract (1p)
- writing sample 1-2 samples (35p max)
- 3 letters

JRF – EMMANUEL COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE – OCT 2 (5pm UK time)

https://resfell.emma.cam.ac.uk/rf_2021/

- statement of research - 1,000 words, outlining the work candidates will submit in support of their applications and the research they propose to pursue if elected. Please note that the statement will be read by people outside as well as inside the candidate's own discipline and should therefore be intelligible to scholars in other fields of learning.
- 2 letters
- 3 years
- if shortlisted:20,000 words

COLUMBIA SOCIETY OF FELLOWS – OCT 5

<http://societyoffellows.columbia.edu/fellowship/>

- cv (up to 4p single spaced)
- proposal (1500w)

- writing sample (3500w)
- course syllabus (2p single spaced)
- 2 letters
- project title and 150w description

UPENN WOLF HUMANITIES – MID OCT

<https://wolfhumanities.upenn.edu/fellowships/andrew-w-mellon-postdoctoral-fellowship-humanities>

UCHICAGO STEVANOVICH INSTITUTE ON FORMATION OF KNOWLEDGE – OCT 15

<https://sifk.uchicago.edu/funding-opportunities/postdoctoral-fellowships/>

- CV
- cover letter (A one-page cover letter explaining how your research transcends individual disciplines and listing three examples of M.A./Ph.D. courses that you would be most interested to teach.)
- writing sample
- contact info for 3 refs

UCHICAGO SOCIETY OF FELLOWS – Collegiate Assistant Professor – OCT 16

<https://fellows.uchicago.edu/>

- CV
- Cover letter describing past and current research and teaching experience and interests
- teaching statement 750 words on specific texts (A teaching statement, not to exceed 750 words, describing your methods and goals in teaching a text in a general education course. Applicants should write about a text of their own choosing. Examples in the Humanities include Plato's *Symposium*, Ovid's *Metamorphoses*, Shakespeare's *Tempest*,)
- 3 Letters (Interfolio fine)

JRF – CHRIST'S COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE – OCT 20

https://jrf.christs.cam.ac.uk/rf_2021/

- 2 letters
- online application, with 1500w Statement of Research for nonspecialists
- will need 20,000w written work if shortlisted

NYU – POSTDOCTORAL TEACHING FELLOWSHIPS IN COLLEGE CORE – NOV 1

<https://cas.nyu.edu/core/teaching-opportunities.html>

INTERFOLIO

- cover letter (Because diversity and inclusion are an important part of the NYU mission, we request that you include a paragraph in your cover letter telling us how diversity and inclusion figure into your past, present, and future teaching, research, and community engagement (additional information can be found here : <http://as.nyu.edu/departments/facultydiversity/recruitment/diversity-statements.html>).)
- CV
- 1p course proposal for a first-year seminar

CORNELL SOF MELLON POSTDOCS – NOV 1

<https://societyhumanities.as.cornell.edu/mellon-postdoctoral-fellowships>

-see also their postdocs due Feb 1

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA PRESIDENT'S POSTDOC PROGRAM – NOV 1

<https://ppfp.ucop.edu/info/index.html>

-see "About" page for all participating schools (including outside UCalifornia system, e.g. NYU)

JRF (LUMLEY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP) – MAGDALENE CAMBRIDGE – NOV 2

-CV

-statement of research – 2 A4 pages

-titles of work – 15,000 words

JRF – FITZWILLIAM & TRINITY HALL (JOINT) – NOV 8

https://www.chu.cam.ac.uk/about/master-fellows/junior-research-fellowships/jrfapplications/rf_2021/

-online app

-statement of research 1000 words

-2 letters

-shortlisted send 10,000w (not more than 12,000w)

-3 years

USC SOCIETY OF FELLOWS – NOV 12

<https://dornsife.usc.edu/society-of-fellows/how-to-apply/>

-CV

-cover letter (should indicate the applicant's primary field of research and desired departmental affiliation. Scholars working across disciplines may indicate the various fields their research addresses and, if desired, additional possible departmental affiliations. In addition to the Society of Fellows, the University of Southern California is home to multiple institutes, centers, and programs in the humanities. If your research interests align with those of any of these programs, please indicate this on your cover letter. If the dissertation has not been completed, the letter should detail its progress, timeline to completion, and scheduled or proposed defense date should the fellowship be awarded.) 3p

-writing sample – one diss chapter or article

-2 recommenders

JRF – MERTON COLLEGE – NOV 19

[https://www.merton.ox.ac.uk/sites/default/files/2020-](https://www.merton.ox.ac.uk/sites/default/files/2020-10/Junior%20Research%20Fellowships%202020%20-%20further%20particulars.pdf)

[10/Junior%20Research%20Fellowships%202020%20-%20further%20particulars.pdf](https://www.merton.ox.ac.uk/sites/default/files/2020-10/Junior%20Research%20Fellowships%202020%20-%20further%20particulars.pdf)

<https://www.merton.ox.ac.uk/junior-research-fellowships-application-form>

-2 letters – must submit form first

-online form

-titles and descriptions of writing samples less than 15000 words

-250w "very brief description of your field of research" – for all committee members, not specialist

-statement of proposed research – 1000w (can be in specialist language)

JRF – CLARE CAMBRIDGE – NOV 22

https://app.casc.cam.ac.uk/fas_live/Application.aspx

- statement of research 1000w
- 2 letters
- if shortlisted: send 20,000w

USC WP – NOV 30 (LECTURER, SENIOR LECTURER, ASST PROF)

<https://usc Careers.usc.edu/job/los-angeles/full-time-teaching-track-faculty-positions-in-writing/1209/17689335>

- cover letter
- diversity statement ((300-500 words) should describe your training, experience, and/or commitment to using diversity as a pedagogical tool, as part of efforts to promote equity in the classroom and university community.)
- CV
- teaching evals
- recent course syllabus with writing assignments (all docs except letters in ONE PDF)
- 3 letters from refs who can speak to teaching abilities

WUSTL – MODELING INTERDISCIPLINARY INQUIRY POSTDOC – DEC 4 – DID NOT APPLY

https://joblist.mla.org/job-details/2668/modeling-interdisciplinary-inquiry-postdoctoral-fellowship/?JbeBatchId=487&JobAlertId=9855&utm_source=JobAlert&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2020-09-19

INTERFOLIO

- cover letter (Applicants who have not completed their doctoral work should indicate, in their cover letter, how many chapters of their dissertation are complete and how complete the remaining chapters are.)
- a description of their research program (no more than 1800 words and accessible to reviewers in other disciplines)
- brief proposal for a broadly encompassing interdisciplinary seminar in theory and methods
- CV
- 3 letters

HARVARD – LECTURERS ON HISTORY AND LITERATURE – JAN 7

<https://academicpositions.harvard.edu/postings/9925>

- responsible for designing and executing interdisciplinary tutorial programs for sophomores and juniors, directing senior honors theses, advising students on curricular matters, evaluating essays and senior theses, conducting senior oral examinations, and teaching seminars of their own design.
- cover letter
- CV
- writing sample
- 3-5 letters

HARVARD – PRECEPTOR IN EXPOSITORY WRITING – JAN 7

<https://academicpositions.harvard.edu/postings/9929>

- CV
- cover letter

- writing sample
- syllabus
- proposed course descriptions for these specific sequences
- optional statement of teaching philosophy

JRF – CORPUS CHRISTI CAMBRIDGE – JAN 13 (“EARLY-CAREER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP”)

<https://www.corpus.cam.ac.uk/about-corpus/opportunities/academic-vacancies>

https://app.casc.cam.ac.uk/fas_live/default.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2ffas_live%2f%3fcmp%3d5560%26ckck%3d317572450%26furl%3dccearly.aspx&cmp=5560&ckck=317572450&furl=ccearly.aspx

- 4 years (can copy Christ’s app, same parameters)
- cv with details of the applicant’s education record, any publications and a brief statement of eligibility for this early-career post
- transcripts for all degrees
- statement of research 1500w
- 2 letters – can use interfolio
- if shortlisted: provide two copies of written work by end of Jan

WESLEYAN – JAN 13

https://chroniclevitae.com/jobs/130697-PRO_152_7034

- cv
- cover letter
- writing sample
- 3 letters (can use Interfolio)

PRINCETON WP POSTDOC – JAN 15

<https://writing.princeton.edu/about/teaching-opportunities/writing-seminars>

- CV
- cover letter reflecting on your approach to teaching writing and how it relates to your own experience as a researcher and writer
- A 200-word course description for a multidisciplinary Writing Seminar. Please review this year’s course descriptions for models
- writing sample (please limit to 25 pages)
- contact information for three references

ST HILDA JRF – FEB 18

<https://www.st-hildas.ox.ac.uk/content/joanna-randall-maciver-junior-research-fellowship>

- app form
- cv
- cover letter
- 1000 w statement of current and proposed research
- 3 letters (bundle via interfolio)

ACLS PUBLIC FELLOWS – MID MARCH

<https://www.acls.org/programs/publicfellowscomp/>