

Graduate Center Humanities Fellowship

1. **Stipend:** \$25,000/year for five years plus \$5,000 each summer for five years.
2. **Two-year Postdoctoral Research Fellowship.** Each student who receives his or her degree within five years will be offered a two-year postdoctoral research fellowship at the Graduate Center.
3. **Service.** Fellows will have a modest service requirement in the first, second and fifth years and teach one course a semester at a CUNY college in the third and fourth years. (see details below)
4. **Timetable to the degree.** All Fellows will be expected to adhere to the following schedule of major degree milestones:
 - a. First Examination passed by end of the third semester;
 - b. Second Examination passed and dissertation prospectus/proposal (including selection of an adviser and reader(s) (in accordance with program policy) approved by end of the third year;
 - c. Based on the nature of a student's research, the student and the advisor will agree on what the student should have accomplished on the dissertation by the end of the fourth year;
 - d. Dissertation defended by end of fifth year.
5. **Mentoring and Progress to the Degree.**
 - a. Each fellow will meet regularly with an advisor in the program who will monitor progress according to a timetable, based on the schedule above, that has been agreed to by the student and the advisor.
 - b. Fellows will make an annual report on their progress on degree milestones and in their research, including a report on summer research.
 - c. The advisor and the Executive Officer will review a fellow's progress annually and make a recommendation to the Provost's office regarding the renewal of the fellowship.
 - d. Fellows who are not making progress according to the schedule of milestones and the agreed timetable will revert to the terms of the Graduate Center Fellowship (assuming good standing by Graduate Center Satisfactory Progress standards).
 - e. The fellow's dissertation adviser and reader(s) will meet with the student at the end of the fourth year to assess the dissertation work to date.
6. **Leaves and Fellowship Deferral.** Fellows who are otherwise meeting the terms of the fellowship who take a leave of absence may defer one year of the fellowship only for medical or other compelling reasons.

Below are the components of the Humanities Fellowship for each of the five years.

Years 1, 2, and 5. Annual Funding of \$30,000 and Tuition.

Graduate Assistantship. Non-teaching [Graduate Assistant D \(GAD\)](#).

Graduate Assistant D Service. A Fellow performs 3.3 hours of service per week during each 15 week semester, a total of 100 hours for the academic year. The service will be assigned by the Fellow's Executive Officer.

Graduate Assistant D salary. \$4,770 paid bi-weekly through New York State payroll checks over 12-months (normally starting from the first day of the Fall semester).

Stipend. [Non-service University Fellowship Stipend](#): \$20,230 paid in two installments by the Office of Financial Aid. One-half is normally paid three weeks after the start of the Fall semester; the second half is normally paid three weeks after the start of the Spring semester. This stipend and GAD salary total \$25,000.

Summer Research Stipend. \$5,000. The summer research stipend will be paid to the Fellow through the Office of Financial Aid in April.

Tuition Award. In the first year of study, Humanities Fellows receive tuition up to 16 credits per semester at either the in-state or out-of state tuition rate depending on their residency status during the previous 12 months. International students are considered to be out-of-state residents. It is important to see below for the tuition awards that Humanities Fellows receive in the subsequent four years of their fellowships and also the explanation of residency requirements.

Starting in their second year and for the remaining three years of their fellowship, Humanities Fellows who are U.S. Citizens and Permanent Residents receive a tuition award up to 16 credits per semester at the in-state tuition rate. If they are not already New York State residents or do not choose to establish New York State residency by the beginning of their second year, they must pay the difference between the in-state tuition award they will receive and the out-of –state tuition rate they will be charged. Graduate Center Fellows who are international students receive tuition up to 16 credits per semester at the out-of-state tuition rate for the four remaining years of this fellowship.

[Learn more about establishing New York State residency.](#) Contact the Registrar's Office (212-817-7500, room 7201, or registrar@gc.cuny.edu) for more details.

Years 3 and 4. Annual Funding of \$30,000 and Tuition

Graduate Assistantship. Teaching Graduate Assistant B (GAB).

Teaching Graduate Assistant B service. The Fellow teaches one course in the Fall and Spring semester at one of CUNY's 4-year undergraduate colleges. The Executive Officer of the Fellow's program arranges the college teaching assignment.

Teaching Graduate Assistant B Salary. \$10,841 paid bi-weekly through New York State payroll checks over 12-months (normally from the first day of the Fall semester through the last day before the start of the next semester).

Stipend: Non-service University Fellowship award. \$14,159 paid by the Office of Financial Aid. The stipend is paid in two installments. One-half is normally paid three weeks after the start of the Fall semester; the second half is normally paid three weeks after the start of the Spring semester. This stipend and GAB salary total \$25,000.

Summer Research Stipend. \$5,000. The summer research stipend will be paid to the Fellow through the Office of Financial Aid in April.

Tuition Award (see above).

Other GC funding Humanities Fellows may hold concurrently:

- The Graduate Center's Sue Rosenberg Zalk Student Travel and Research Fund for \$200-\$300 to attend a conference or to cover research expenses. (Students may apply annually for these funds).
- [The Graduate Student Research Program \(GSRP\)](#) competition for an award of up to \$1,500 to support students' academic research. Fellows may apply annually for this award during years 2 through 7 of their study.
- [Provost's Digital Innovation Grants](#) are small awards to support cutting-edge digital projects designed, created, programmed, or administered by Graduate Center students; students submit proposals to an annual competition for these awards.