

## TEACHING FELLOWS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

### *A Program of Professional and Pedagogical Development*

#### CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The Social Sciences Division invites applications from current and recent graduate students in the Division for a competitive two-year program designed to enhance pedagogical skills and extend research training. Each Teaching Fellow will receive an annual salary of \$40,000 for the three quarters of the academic year (paid over 12 months) and benefits such as health insurance coverage, etc., at part-time rates. In addition, each Fellow will be provided with work space, library privileges, and access to placement services. To be eligible, applicants must be current or recent graduate students who will have completed all requirements for the PhD before the start of Autumn Quarter 2017 and within seven years of matriculation into a program in the Social Sciences Division. Candidates should have demonstrated excellence in their original scholarship, as well as in teaching. Teaching Fellows are expected to be fully in-residence during the three quarters of the academic year. Fellows will teach four courses at the undergraduate level, and are expected to advance their own research agenda and participate in campus activities. Teaching Fellows will also participate in a program of professional development under the joint supervision of a Faculty Mentor in a relevant Divisional department or program and the Director of CCT.

**Program Eligibility:** In order to be eligible for the Teaching Fellows in the Social Sciences program (TFSS) applicants must:

1. have received or be on track to complete and receive the PhD within 7 years of matriculation into a PhD program of the Social Sciences Division, as confirmed by the chair of the department;
2. have matriculated no earlier than Autumn 2010\* and have completed all requirements for the PhD before the start of Autumn Quarter 2017, but not before Spring Quarter 2016;
3. identify a faculty sponsor who will commit to participate fully as a mentor during the program.

**Application Process:** Applications must be submitted through ACO (Academic Career Opportunities) at <https://academiccareers.uchicago.edu>. The posting may be accessed at <http://tinyurl.com/zg93q2d>. Review of Applications will begin on **April 1, 2017** and will continue until the position is filled or until the application deadline of May 30, 2017. Early submission is recommended. Each application must include:

1. detailed cover letter;
2. statement of teaching philosophy, and a proposed teaching plan, including a description of the Core sequences and/or Departmental classes in which the Fellow would like to teach (for Core course descriptions consult: <http://collegecatalog.uchicago.edu/thecollege/socialsciences/>);

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\* Those who matriculated in earlier years but received leaves of absence may be eligible. Please consult the Dean of Students.

3. current CV;
4. current UChicago transcript (unofficial transcripts acceptable);
5. reference letter from the Department Chair (submitted directly to ACO), providing 1) confirmation of the applicant's progress to timely completion of degree for participation in the program, 2) assessment of the applicant's teaching and scholarship, including the role this fellowship will play in supporting the applicant's qualifications for the job market, 3) a discussion of the department's ability to accommodate and supervise the course(s) that the fellow will teach in the major;
6. reference letter from the proposed Faculty Mentor (submitted directly to ACO), providing 1) assessment of the applicant's teaching and scholarship, including the role this fellowship will play in supporting the applicant's qualifications for the job market; 2) affirmation of the Faculty member's commitment to mentoring the fellow in his or her teaching in the major and/or in the Core (see TFSS Mentorship Agreement for description of mentoring responsibilities).

**Selection Process:** All applications will be reviewed by the TFSS committee, which includes two faculty members from the Social Sciences Division designated by the Dean to review applicants to the Teaching Fellow program, the Master of the Social Science Collegiate Division, the Deputy Dean of the Social Sciences Division, the Dean of Students of the Social Sciences Division, and the Director of the Chicago Center for Teaching.

**Notification and Start of Program:** Successful Teaching Fellows and alternates will be notified in May 2017. The Fellow's appointment will begin Autumn Quarter 2017 and will be for a period of up to two years. **Appointment is contingent upon successful completion of all requirements for the PhD before the start of fall quarter of the first year of the program.**