



## TEACHING FELLOWS IN THE HUMANITIES

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

#### Call for Applications

The Division of the Humanities is accepting 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. Humanities Teaching Fellows (HTF) participate in a community of practice around teaching, research, and professional development, drawing on guidance and support from the Division, the Chicago Center for Teaching (CCT), and a designated faculty mentor.

Each Teaching Fellow is paid \$46,000 for the three quarters of the academic year (paid over 12 months); provided with support for research and professional development, including financial support for conference travel; have access to library privileges, placement services, and other campus resources. Each Teaching Fellow also receives a range of employment benefits, including health insurance coverage options through the University Benefits office.

To be eligible, applicants must be current or recent graduate students who are on track to receive or have received a PhD from a program in the Humanities Division within seven years of matriculation.

Teaching Fellows are expected to be fully in residence and on campus during the three quarters of the academic year. Teaching Fellows will participate in a program of pedagogical and professional development under the joint supervision of the Chicago Center for Teaching (CCT) and their mentor in a relevant Divisional department or program. Fellows will teach four courses, including at least two courses in the Humanities or Arts Core, and are expected to advance their own research agenda and participate in campus activities.

1. **Program Eligibility:** In order to be eligible for the Humanities Teaching Fellows Program (HTF) an applicant must:
  - a. have received or be on track to receive the PhD degree within 7 years of matriculation into a PhD program in the Humanities Division of the University of Chicago;
  - b. have received their PhD degree no earlier than in the Spring Quarter 2019; or be on track to complete all degree requirements and file the dissertation no later than Friday, July 31, 2020 for graduation in the Summer quarter 2020;
  - c. identify a faculty sponsor who will commit to mentoring the Teaching Fellow during the program;
  - d. receive the endorsement of their department chair.

Application Process: Applications are due by **11pm central time on April 1, 2020** and must be submitted through The University's Academic Recruitment site (Interfolio). The posting may be accessed at <http://apply.interfolio.com/73534>.

2. Each application must include:
  - a. a detailed cover letter aimed at the Teaching Fellows Program;
  - b. the applicant's current CV;
  - c. a teaching statement, not to exceed 750 words, describing the applicant's methods and goals in teaching a text or artwork in the Humanities Core or Arts Core. Applicants should write about a text or artwork of their own choosing but are encouraged to review details of [Humanities Core Sequences](#) and [Arts Core Sequences](#) as they prepare their statement;
  - d. a current teaching portfolio which includes a sample syllabus for a proposed self-designed course the applicant would be prepared to offer as a teaching fellow. The proposed course should be appropriate for both majors and non-majors in the applicant's area of study;
  - e. one letter of recommendation addressing the applicant's teaching experience;
  - f. a letter of nomination from their department chair attesting to the applicant's appropriate progress to degree and listing possible teaching assignments;
  - g. a letter of support and commitment from the faculty sponsor/mentor.

**Note: All letters should be submitted as reference letters via the Academic Recruitment website. Applicants are advised to request their letters as soon as possible (i.e. prior to submitting the final materials) to allow ample time for recommenders to upload their letters.**

3. Selection Process: All applications will be reviewed by the HTF committee, which includes a representative of the Chicago Center for Teaching, the Master of the Humanities Collegiate Division, the Dean of Students of the Division of the Humanities, the Faculty Chair of the Humanities Teaching Fellows program, and two additional faculty members from the Humanities Division, to be designated by the Dean of the Humanities Division.

Notification and Start of Program: Successful Teaching Fellows and alternates will be notified by April 15, 2020. The Fellows' appointment will begin September 1, 2020 for one year and is renewable for one additional year upon review.

**Note:**

- **The HTF appointment is contingent upon graduation no later than the Summer quarter of 2020, and on the satisfactory presentation of appropriate documentation of eligibility to work lawfully in the United States by the start of the appointment**
- **International students who receive an appointment must secure work authorization from the Office of International Affairs prior to September 1, 2020.**

- The terms and conditions of employment for this position are covered by a collective bargaining agreement between the University and the Service Employees International Union.