

2018 Research Fellowship Application

The Oregon Women's History Consortium (OWHC) offers two annual fellowships of \$1,000 each, one to a junior scholar and one to a senior scholar. The fellowships support projects that will lead to a significant contribution to the field of Oregon women's history. The projects may include research and writing leading to theses, dissertations, articles, and monographs, or other formats such as film. Queries about alternative approaches are welcome. Preference will be given to research projects that demonstrate the potential for new analysis in the field, projects that have strong, organized, and realistic goals, and projects that reveal the applicant's ability to complete the research and writing components in accordance with the fellowship deadlines. Undergraduate and graduate students and recent graduates should apply to the junior fellowship. Academic and independent historians and scholars should apply to the senior fellowship. The successful applicants will conduct the research and contribute a research essay outlining major findings of the project with evidence from research sources and key conclusions that will be posted to the OWHC website. Recipients will note the fellowship in any presentation or published work.

Fellowship deadlines are as follows:

- November 1, 2017: Application materials due
- January 2018: Fellowship recipients and applicants notified
- May 1, 2018: Progress report (1,000 words) due to fellowship committee chair. This progress report should include the following: discussion of archival and primary sources consulted, overview of sources still to be consulted, and an initial outline of the essay with emerging research conclusions.
- September 1, 2018: Essay (3,000 words for junior fellowship and 5,000 words for senior) outlining major findings of the project with evidence from research sources and key conclusions due to fellowship committee chair. Essay will be submitted in article format with footnotes and bibliography in the Chicago Manual of Style format.
- October 1, 2018: With consultation between authors and fellowship committee chair the essay will be posted on the Oregon Women's History Consortium website with an announcement and link to the essay sent out as part of the organization's email newsletter.



To be eligible for consideration, applicants are required to submit the following document files as PDF email attachments, with one of these subject lines: "OWHC Junior Research Fellowship" or "OWHC Senior Research Fellowship" addressed to Professor Kimberly Jensen, Fellowship Committee Chair, at <u>jenseki@wou.edu</u> by the November 1 deadline. **Note:** Applicants should indicate that they are applying to either the junior or senior fellowship on all documents.

OWHC Junior Research Fellowship

1. Project description (up to 2,000 words) including:

- A discussion of specific archival and/or other primary sources for the project, including where these collections are located;
- A statement of analytical questions to be considered, research methods, and scope of the project;
- A discussion of the relationship of the project to scholarship in women's and Oregon history, demonstrating a significant contribution to the field;
- A select bibliography of relevant secondary sources;
- An outline of the research process and goals set within the framework of fellowship deadlines and evidence of the applicant's ability to carry out the project.
- If this research is part of a larger project, please be specific about the goals to be accomplished for this fellowship and timeline.

2. A current curriculum vitae

3. Two letters of reference are required to complete the application

- The applicant should request letters from two people familiar with the project who are able to recommend the applicant based on the fellowship criteria and goals noted above.
- Each recommender should send the letter as an email attachment directly to Professor Kimberly Jensen, Fellowship Committee Chair, at jenseki@wou.edu with the subject line "OWHC Junior Research Fellowship" by the November 1 deadline.



OWHC Senior Research Fellowship

1. Project description (up to 2,000 words) including:

- A discussion of specific archival and/or other primary sources for the project, including where these collections are located;
- A statement of analytical questions to be considered, research methods, and scope of the project;
- A discussion of the relationship of the project to scholarship in women's and Oregon history, demonstrating a significant contribution to the field;
- A select bibliography of relevant secondary sources;
- An outline of the research process and goals set within the framework of fellowship deadlines and evidence of the applicant's ability to carry out the project.
- If this research is part of a larger project, please be specific about the goals to be accomplished for this fellowship and timeline.

2. A current curriculum vitae

3. Two letters of reference are required to complete the application

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Please address any questions via email to:

Professor Kimberly Jensen, Fellowship Committee Chair, at jenseki@wou.edu