

Special Collections Research Center Faculty Fellows Program Call for Proposals

Overview

The Syracuse University Libraries' Special Collections Research Center is now accepting proposals for two faculty fellows who would like to provide students with a one-of-a-kind opportunity to handle, analyze, and interpret SCRC's primary source materials in their classes. The SCRC Faculty Fellows Program aims to support innovative curriculum development and foster new ideas about how to transform the role of special collections in university instruction. Each fellow will receive a \$5,000 fellowship payment, a hands-on introduction to the collections, and ongoing classroom support.

The original funding for the SCRC Faculty Fellows Program was made possible through the generosity of the Gladys Krieble Delmas Foundation, which promotes the advancement and perpetuation of humanistic inquiry and artistic creativity by encouraging excellence in scholarship and in the performing arts, and by supporting research libraries and other institutions that transmit our cultural heritage.

Eligibility

- Open to all Syracuse University faculty.
- Proposals may be from any discipline taught on campus but must be for the development or revision of a 3-credit course to be taught in the Fall 2020 or Spring 2021 semester.
- Course enrollment must be capped at 20 students.
- Preference will be given to courses with the potential to be integrated into the curriculum and taught on a recurring basis.
- Team-taught courses are not eligible.

Terms of Appointment

- The fellowship period is during Summer 2020.
- Fellows are considered "in residence" at the Center and are expected to work in the Special Collections Reading Room for 4 consecutive weeks.
- Fellows must attend an orientation and participate in various workshop/support sessions and assessment activities relating to the program.
- At the end of the summer residency period, each Fellow will produce a comprehensive course syllabus and an annotated list of SCRC materials for class meetings and student assignments.

- The \$5,000 fellowship payment will be awarded upon completion of the summer residency and receipt and final approval of all required materials.
- After completion of the course, each Fellow will present their experience to the university community.
- The program does not provide housing or travel support.

Application Instructions

To apply, please submit the following materials as a single PDF file to jschambe@syr.edu no later than 5:00pm (EST) on April 17, 2020.

Late applications will not be considered.

Applicants will be notified of the selection committee's decision by May 8, 2020.

Application Checklist

2-page curriculum vitae

Course description and draft syllabus

Completed application form

2-page proposal that explains your interest in the program and addresses the following questions:

- Which collections are most relevant to your proposed course?
- How will your course teach students to discover, request, and properly handle special collections materials? (For example, will you be requiring students to conduct independent research in the Special Collections Research Center's reading room?)
- How many class sessions do you expect to hold in the Special Collections Research Center's seminar room? (All sessions involving original materials must be held in the SCRC).
- A goal of the program is to show examples of student learning and course outcomes. How would you showcase your students' work with special collections materials to the university community?
- How does your course relate to your department's learning outcomes?
- How will you meet requirements for revising, proposing, and/or regularizing this course in your department and college?

SCRC Faculty Fellows Program Application

Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone number: (_____) _____

Email address: _____

SU ID #: _____

Academic department: _____

Proposed dates of summer 2020 residency (must be 4 consecutive weeks): _____

I, the undersigned, have read, understand, and agree to the conditions and terms of the

SCRC Faculty Fellows Program. I understand that in order to hold a fellowship and accept the fellowship payment, I must:

- work in the Special Collections Reading Room for four consecutive weeks during summer 2020;
- attend an orientation and all workshop/support sessions;
- produce a comprehensive course syllabus and an annotated list of SCRC materials for class meetings and student assignments at the conclusion of the summer residency;
- teach the proposed course during the Fall 2020 or Spring 2021 semester;
- present fellowship and course experience to the university community;
- participate in assessment activities relating to the program.

Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____