

## **MOWRY DISSERTATION GRANT APPLICATION**

In order to help new ABD students get started quickly on their dissertation research, the Department awards Mowry Dissertation Fellowships. Named in honor of George Mowry, a former professor in the Department whose gift endowed these funds, the Mowry Dissertation Fellowship provides \$1500 to be used in the first year (ideally, first 6-9 months) after each student becomes ABD. To receive this award, a student must include with the dissertation prospectus a one-page proposal for use of the funds. If the prospectus committee approves, the student then submits the proposal to the DGS for final approval. Pending funding availability, the Mowry Dissertation Fellowship will be awarded on or about 1 June (for proposals processed by 1 May) or 1 November (for proposals processed by 1 December). In most cases, proposals for Mowry Dissertation Fellowships should entail (a) research with primary documents and (b) a commitment to complete said research no later than 6-9 months after reaching ABD status.

Because the fellowship is designed to start ABD research, it must normally be taken on the payment date (1 June or 1 December) that immediately follows achievement of ABD status. If an ABD student wishes to delay receipt, he or she must request permission from the DGS at the time of becoming ABD. Final approval of a Mowry Dissertation Fellowships rests with the DGS, in consultation with the GSC.

The Mowry endowment has limited funds, and the GSC wishes to ensure that these funds go to those who most need it. If adequate funds are not available, the Department will not be able to fund proposals from ABD students who hold multi-year Royster fellowships, who are supported by military salaries, or who self-identify as willing to take lower priority.

\*\*\*\*\*After holding a Mowry Dissertation Fellowship, a recipient must submit to the DGS a short report on research completed, signed by his/her advisor. The report will then be placed in the student's file.

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To get your Mowry Dissertation Fellowship, please complete the form below:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date : \_\_\_\_\_ (must be within two weeks of proposal defense)

Advisor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Indicates approval of Mowry Proposal by Dissertation Committee)

Write up a one-page Mowry proposal, paying attention to the above guidelines. Include this proposal in the dissertation prospectus. Attach a copy of your one-page proposal to this form. Submit this completed form to the Graduate Secretary.

Approved by DGS: \_\_\_\_\_

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Upon approval, the department will process your Mowry Dissertation Fellowship in the amount of \$1500. In most cases, your check will be electronically deposited. However, we may need to mail a check to you. Please indicate below where the check should be sent if this circumstance arises:

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Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

Please note: no taxes will be deducted from this check; it will be your responsibility to manage the tax ramifications of your fellowship.

Please sign below and return this form to the Graduate Secretary.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_