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The NEH Summer Stipends Program supports individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to humanities scholars, general audiences, or both. Recipients usually produce articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly resources. Summer Stipends support full-time continuous work on a humanities project for a period of two months and support projects at any stage of development. Summer Stipends are awarded to individual scholars. Organizations are not eligible to apply. NEH encourages submission of Summer Stipends applications from faculty at Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Hispanic-Serving Institutions, and Tribal Colleges and Universities. NEH invites projects related to its new initiative, The Common Good: The Humanities in the Public Square. See the solicitation for more information.

Summer Stipends provide \$6,000 for two consecutive months of full-time research and writing. Recipients must work full-time on their projects for these two months and may hold other research grants supporting the same project during this time. Summer Stipends normally support work carried out during the summer months, but arrangements can be made for other times of the year. U.S. citizens, whether they reside inside or outside the United States, are eligible to apply. Foreign nationals who have been living in the United States or its jurisdictions for at least the three years immediately preceding the application deadline are also eligible. All applicants must have completed their formal education by the application deadline. Individuals who have held or been awarded a major fellowship or research grant or its equivalent (i.e., postdoc research award with stipend of at least \$15,000) within the last three academic years prior to the deadline are *ineligible* for NEH Summer Stipends. Sabbaticals and grants from a person's own institution are not considered major fellowships, nor are stipends and grants from other sources supporting study and research during the summer. Individuals who have received Summer Stipends may apply to support a new stage of their projects. These applications do not receive special consideration and will be judged by the same criteria as others in the competition. However, NEH will ask evaluators to review the accomplishments from the prior Summer Stipends award and determine if the project warrants additional support. Complete program guidelines are available at:

<http://www.neh.gov/files/grants/summer-stipends-oct-1-2015.pdf>. The agency deadline for submitting nominations is October 1, 2015.

This is a limited competition; each institution is limited to two nominations. Please submit your 3-page preproposal narrative (plus CV; all documents in a SINGLE PDF file, 11 point font) by NOON on Monday, August 10, 2015, to limited@unm.edu with the subject line indicating: NEH 2015 Summer Stipend - your name. No late submissions will be considered. The preproposal should address the major points that will be included in the proposal narrative: (descriptions of the following: 1) *Research and contribution*; 2) *methods and work plan*; 3) *competencies, skills, and access*; 4) *final product and dissemination*). The preproposals will be evaluated on the following criteria: 1) intellectual significance of the proposed project, including its value to humanities scholars, general audiences, or both; 2) quality of the nominee's work as an interpreter of the humanities; 3) quality of the conception, definition, organization, and description of the project and clarity of expression; 4) feasibility of the proposed plan of work; 5) likelihood that the nominee will complete the project.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Monica Fishel (mlfishel@unm.edu).