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Dear Graduate Student and/or recent Alumni,

Your institution is participating in the *Faculty Fellows Program to Diversify the Professoriate*, a collaborative effort of the [Big Ten Academic Alliance](#), the academic consortium of the Big Ten universities, and the [Associated Colleges of the Midwest](#) (ACM), a consortium of small liberal arts colleges.

With generous support from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the program will award 30 Faculty Fellowships for qualified candidates hired into eligible humanities, humanistic social science, and arts tenure-track positions at ACM [member colleges](#) through academic year 2020-2021. To date, nine Faculty Fellows have been appointed in the following disciplines: Africana Studies and Political Science, African American History, Critical Identity Studies, Education, Ethnic Studies, Philosophy, Religion, Spanish, and Sociology.

The fellowship provides:

- Funding for two years of each fellow's salary and benefits.
- A \$2,500 travel and research stipend for two years.
- The opportunity to have a reduced teaching load for the first year and either a reduced second year or extended fourth-year leave, at the discretion of the college.
- Fellows also receive campus-based mentoring and consortial workshops to provide a rich introduction to teaching, research and scholarship, and professional development at residential liberal arts colleges.

The Big Ten Academic Alliance and ACM aim to recruit candidates interested in pursuing a full-time, tenure-track faculty position in the humanities, humanistic social sciences, and the arts. To register for the recruitment database, please submit an entry in the Candidate Registration Portal. At the end of the registration, you will be prompted to create a username and password so that you may log-in and update your information and CV as needed. Please follow this link to input or update your information: <http://btaacandidates.ACM.edu/>

Please note the Candidate Registration Portal is used for recruitment purposes. You will need to apply for any position of interest at the ACM campus, so please check the available postings: http://www.ACM.edu/about_us/Faculty_positions_available_at_ACM_colleges.html

Eligibility for Faculty Fellowships

The Fellows Program is open to all qualified candidates and encourages applications from individuals

- from underrepresented groups in the professoriate, including African Americans; Hispanics; Native Americans; Alaska Natives; Native Hawaiians; other Pacific Islanders;
- first-generation college students;

- individuals who have followed non-traditional pathways to college due to exceptional talent and motivation in the face of adversity, such as societal, economic or academic disadvantages; and
- individuals with a demonstrated commitment to applying and including diverse backgrounds and perspectives to learning, scholarship, service and leadership in the academy.

In the 2017-2018 hiring cycle, ACM Colleges are eligible to designate Faculty Fellows in the following areas:

Beloit College: Religious Studies

Carleton College: Women's and Gender Studies & Cinema and Media Studies (Joint Appointment)

Coe College: Philosophy/Ethics; Spanish and Latina/o Studies

Grinnell College: History

Knox College: Africana Studies; Anthropology; Music; Political Science


Lake Forest College: Psychology

Monmouth College: Classics; Psychology

St. Olaf College: Asian Studies/History; Environmental Studies and Religion; Political Science; Psychology

For more information, please visit the ACM Faculty Fellows [webpage](#). If you have questions about the Mellon Faculty Fellowships, please contact Lilly Lavner, Liaison for the Fellows Program to Diversify the Professoriate at 312.561.5921.

Sincerely,



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