

THE LINDA HALL

SCIENCE LIBRARY & ARBORETUM

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Announces 2026-2027 Fellowships

The Linda Hall fellowships provide scholars of exceptional promise with financial support to explore the Library's collections and join a dynamic intellectual community



KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (June 16, 2026) The Linda Hall: Science Library and Arboretum is pleased to announce the recipients of its 2026-2027 research fellowships. During the coming academic year, the Linda Hall will support 29 scholars, including both residential and virtual fellows. Residential fellows will travel to Kansas City to explore our collections, while virtual fellows will conduct research remotely using digitized materials.

The 2026-2027 cohort includes researchers based in the United States, Brazil, Colombia, France, Indonesia, Italy, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom. These doctoral students, postdoctoral scholars, and independent researchers will use the Library's holdings to investigate the history of science, technology, and engineering. Their projects reflect the breadth and depth of our collections.

"Every day around the world, researchers are uncovering the human stories behind some of history's most transformative scientific breakthroughs. We are honored to support the incredible work being undertaken by our fellows to uncover these monumental moments," said Antoinette Bettasso, the Linda Hall fellowship program manager. "Our fellowships allow individuals in Kansas City and from around the world to tell these stories with new perspectives using our vast and rare collections."

In addition, the Linda Hall is also offering several specialized research fellowships this year including:



Francesca Gibson, a graduate student at the University of California, Santa Cruz, received the History of Science and Medicine Fellowship, which has been jointly sponsored by the Linda Hall Library and the [Clendening History of Medicine Library](#) at the University of Kansas Medical Center since 2019.



Sebastián Díaz Angel and Sean Seyer received the Pearson Fellowship in Aerospace History, which honors the life and legacy of aerospace engineer Jerome Pearson. This fellowship provides funding to scholars studying any aspect of aerospace history.



Allison Marsh received the Presidential Fellowship in Bibliography, which supports research that focuses on the study of books and manuscripts as physical artifacts.

Further information about these scholars and their research projects will be posted on the [fellowship program page](#) prior to the start of the academic year on July 1, 2026. For now, please join us in welcoming the 2027-26 fellows to the Linda Hall scholarly community!

2026-2027 The Linda Hall Fellowships

Myra Abubakar

Cartographies of Containment: Science, Survey, and the Scientific Enclosure of Aceh

Aida Arosoaie

Synthetic Affliction: Climate change, Synthetic Rubber, and Disease on the Asian Natural Rubber Belt

Elizabeth Bennett

Histories and Geographies of Coal Refuse Management, Acid Mine Drainage Remediation, and Economic Development in Pennsylvania and Beyond

Camden Burd

The Nature of Neoliberalism: Deindustrialization, Austerity, and the Remaking of the American Landscape

Ann Campbell

The Coproduction of René Just Haüy's Crystallography and Louis-Jean-Marie Daubenton's Structural Mineralogy

Gabriel Coleman

Fertilizer Research and Agricultural Development in the Postwar TVA

Thomas Cornillie

Engineering Against Danger: Technical Knowledge, Collaboration, and Culture in the Modernization of the American Railroad Industry, 1900-1950

Marcos Cueto

A History of the Ecological Turn in Global Health: Between Integration and Resistance

Sebastián Díaz Angel, Pearson Fellow in Aerospace History

Radar in the Rainforest: Remote Sensing and the Tropical Laboratory of Cold War Earth Observation, 1960s–1980s

Lucia Delaini

By Eye and by Hand: Embodied Measurements at the Dawn of Modernity

Francesca Gibson, History of Science and Medicine (HSM) Fellow

Hysterical Conceptions: Reproduction, Madness, and Empire in the Long Eighteenth Century

Jennie Jiang

Scaling Ultra-Processed Foods: Soy, Chemicalized Capitalism, and the Metabolic Pathways of U.S. Empire

Lena Kasten

Errant Objects in the Book(s) of Nature

Aleksandra Kobiljski

The Sewer that Never Was: Urban Waste Water Management in Beirut (1958-1990)

Faridah Laffan

The Promise of the Past: Science, Empire, and Victorian Biblical Archaeology

Sabina Luz

Time machines: chronometry, observatories, and the global circulation of precision industry

Allison Marsh, Presidential Fellowship in Bibliography

How Engineers Organized Their Library

Suzanne Moon

Climate Change, Agriculture, and the Sociotechnical Imagination: Rice Cultivation in California

Sergio Orozco-Echeverri

Of airs, oceanic waters, and unknown places: medicine, astrology, and meteorology in early modern Iberian and American almanacs

Adam Przywara

Housing Waste: Designing and Building with Industrial By-Products in the long 20th century

Kaitlin Risen

Where No One Has Gone Before: The American Imagination of Space, 1930-1957

Guy M. Sechrist

The Art of Gauging: Practical Mathematics and Statecraft in Early Modern English Commerce

Sean Seyer, Pearson Fellowship in Aerospace History

Contested Wings: The Hidden Fight to Control American Aviation

Cecilia Slane

Unbecoming and Undesirable: The Study, Use, and Transformation of North American Peatlands in the Long 20th Century

Adelheid Voskuhl

Engineering Institutions: Industrialism, Theories of Technology, and Bourgeois Culture in the Second Industrial Revolution (c. 1890 to 1930)

Annelise Walker

Collecting the Subterranean: Mining and Minerals between Alto Perú and Spain, 1749–1809

Xiaona Wang

Academic Politics Across Eurasia: Jesuit Astronomy and the Uses of Chinese Evidence in the Newton Wars

Elexis Trinity Williams

Menfish, Mermaids & Aquanauts: Scientific Diving and the Evolution of Cold War Hybridities in American Oceanography, 1943-2027

Tiankui Zeng

Rainforest on fire: our changing understanding of the tropical rainforest

About The Linda Hall: Science Library and Arboretum

Founded in 1946, The Linda Hall is a science library and arboretum where curiosity leads to discovery. Through exhibitions, research, public programs, educational initiatives, and extraordinary collections, The Linda Hall explores the ways scientific ideas have shaped -- and continue to shape -- our lives, communities, and future. Open to all, The Linda Hall invites visitors to uncover the stories behind innovation, connect with the human side of science, and unleash their curiosity. Learn more at lindahall.org.

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