## The Graduate Program for Cultural Studies APPLICATION FOR CLST FELLOWSHIP

The University of Pittsburgh's Program for Cultural Studies announces its graduate fellowship competition for 2015-2016. Students who have passed their doctoral comprehensive exams in Dietrich School graduate programs are invited to apply for one of two year-long nonteaching fellowships. The fellowship stipend is based on the same scale as the TA/TF allocations, the rates of which for the coming year have not yet been announced.

## Applications must be assembled in a single pdf file and consist of, in this order:

- 1. Cultural Studies Application form (this sheet, completed with requested information);
- 2. Statement of purpose (3 to 5 pages, double spaced, one side only, 12-point font)\*
- 3. One writing sample, related to the dissertation topic, in English of 10 to 20 pages (one side only; 12 pt. font; more than 20 pages will not be accepted);
- 4. Current curriculum vitae:
- 5. List of up to 6 Cultural Studies courses completed (see http://www.culturalstudies.pitt.edu/course-listings-previous-semesters for course database);
- 6. Graduate transcripts in English.

Three letters of recommendation must be e-mailed separately as a pdf by recommendation writers by the deadline.

\* The statement of purpose should include a paragraph that situates the student's work in two respects: across disciplines and within the diversity of cultural studies. The statement should also: 1) establish the significance of the planned work for the field of cultural studies and the applicant's home discipline; 2) specify the scope of the objects of study and methods the applicant will employ in studying them; 3) identify the requisite skills, background, and knowledge the applicant has to accomplish the work; 4) demonstrate the viability of both the dissertation and the work plan for the fellowship year; and 5) present well-formed plans for disseminating the results of the dissertation work. N.B. Students who will use the fellowship to pursue research outside Pittsburgh must indicate where they would be studying and why. Applicants should keep in mind that the writing sample and statement of purpose will be read by a committee of informed non-specialists from as many as seven disciplines. Applicants should thus avoid discipline-specific jargon, and not assume committee members' prior knowledge of technical issues or theoretical concepts.

Application deadline is 4 P.M., Friday, January 19, 2018. No applications will be accepted after the deadline. Send to Briar Somerville, CLST GradSec, <u>kbs47@pitt.edu</u> or hand-deliver a CD with the PDF burnt on it to: 401c Cathedral of Learning, U of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA 15260

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