



## Resident Scholar Program

### Special Collections and Archives Research Center

### Oregon State University Libraries

The Resident Scholar Program, sponsored by Oregon State University Libraries Special Collections and Archives Research Center (SCARC) and supported by the Friends of OSU Libraries Fund, awards research stipends of \$2,500 per month for up to two months. Stipends are awarded to individuals who can make substantial use of the materials held in the OSU Libraries Special Collections and Archives Research Center. Historians, librarians, masters, doctoral or post-doctoral students and independent researchers are welcome to apply. Scholars must work in residence at the OSU Valley Library during the award period.

The Special Collections and Archives Research Center consists of more than 1,300 archival and manuscript collections that have been gathered around several collection development themes: the history of science and technology, the history of Oregon State University, natural resources in the Pacific Northwest (including hops and brewing), multiculturalism in Oregon, and rare books in all areas. Cornerstone collections include the Ava Helen and Linus Pauling Papers, the Gerald W. Williams Collections and the Urban League of Portland Records. A full list of the Center's collections is available at:

<http://scarc.library.oregonstate.edu/findingaids>

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<b>Eligibility:</b>	Historians, librarians, masters, doctoral or post-doctoral students and independent researchers are welcome to apply.
<b>Length of Grant:</b>	One to two months
<b>Amount of Grant:</b>	\$2,500 per month; 2 months maximum
<b>Deadline for Application:</b>	<b>April 15, 2020</b>
<b>Application Procedure:</b>	(1) Send a <b>one-page</b> cover sheet with name, address (including email and phone number), present status and institution, title of project, and list of financial support you anticipate receiving for this project.  (2) Send a <b>one-page</b> description of your project. Indicate when and how you plan to utilize any requested grant support as well as specific aspects of the collection(s) that you plan to consult.  (3) Send a <b>one-page</b> curriculum vitae of your research, writing, and/or teaching, as well as reference contacts.
<b>Notification:</b>	Applicants will be notified on or before <b>May 15, 2020</b> .
<b>Program Homepage:</b>	<a href="http://scarc.library.oregonstate.edu/residentscholar.html">http://scarc.library.oregonstate.edu/residentscholar.html</a>



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**Applications should be sent to:**

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It is fine to submit applications as email attachments.

**QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPLICATION**

Applicants must be cultivating serious scholarly interests that relate to one or more of the Special Collections and Archives Research Center's collecting areas: the history of science and technology, the history of Oregon State University, natural resources in the Pacific Northwest (including hops and brewing), and multiculturalism in Oregon. The selection of grant recipients will be based upon:

- demonstrable need to consult specific SCARC holdings. Applications must include a list of collections intended to be used in research and a description of materials within the collection(s) that will be utilized for your work.
- evidence of the applicant's ability to conduct the proposed research (as outlined in reviews of previous work, publication record, references, etc.)
- the quality of the proposal (importance or originality of topic, sophistication of approach, feasibility of research objectives and relevance to the collection, etc.)

**SELECTION**

Proposals will be reviewed by a selection committee, the membership of which will be drawn from the OSU Libraries. The committee will rank and recommend candidates to the Director of the Special Collections and Archives Research Center and to the University Librarian, who will make the final selections.

**AWARD**

Each award will be issued, as appropriate, for a period of one to three months. Award stipends can be used for any purpose. No additional allowances beyond the maximum award of \$2,500 per month for three months will be available. In certain cases, the selection committee may offer partial awards to given candidates.

The OSU Libraries will provide appropriate study space and equipment necessary for scholarly work. Resident Scholars will be provided with access to the OSU Libraries' general collections and borrowing privileges for non-SCARC materials will be facilitated as appropriate. Access to online databases and interlibrary loan services will be provided as well.

## CONDITIONS OF AWARD

In submitting an application for the program, the applicant does not incur an obligation to accept the award if selected. Scholars are expected:

- to work in residence at the OSU Libraries on a full-time basis during their award tenure;
- to devote full-time effort to the research proposed;
- to draft a brief written report (800 – 1,000 words) describing their experiences and their research results, to be submitted no later than thirty days following the award period;
- to prepare and deliver to the OSU community an oral presentation detailing the results of their research;
- to include appropriate credit to the OSU Libraries Special Collections and Archives Research Center in any presentation or publication based on research performed during the award tenure.

The residence may begin at any time after receipt of award notification and should be completed by June 30, 2021. Due to the difficulty of securing housing during the school year, scholars are **strongly encouraged** to time their visits in a manner concurrent with the Oregon State University break schedule.

## VISAS

Upon request, the OSU Libraries will arrange for appropriate visa documents for foreign nationals. Normally, visas arranged by the OSU Libraries will grant a scholar the status of “Foreign Exchange Visitor” (J-visa, or F-visa for students). A spouse and minor children may travel on the same visa as the scholar. OSU Libraries encourages foreign scholars to apply for the J-1 visa as per the standard procedures for research scholars visiting the United States.

OSU Libraries does not encourage scholars to apply for B or H visas.