

Predoctoral Fellow, History of the Civil War Era

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JOB DESCRIPTION AND POSITION REQUIREMENTS:

The [Richards Civil War Era Center](#), in the [College of the Liberal Arts](#), invites applications for two predoctoral dissertation fellowships in the history of the Civil War Era, beginning July 1, 2023. The Richards Center conceives of the Civil War Era broadly. We especially welcome projects related to the history of slavery, emancipation, and their legacies and the history of struggles for freedom and democracy in the United States. This is a limited-term (one-year) fellowship for advanced graduate students who are in the writing stage of their dissertation. During their residency, the fellows will primarily perform their research; they will have no teaching or administrative responsibilities. The fellows will be expected to make progress on their dissertation and to take an active part in the Richards Center and Penn State's community of researchers.

To be considered for this position, submit a complete application packet including a cover letter describing your dissertation project and goals for the year, a curriculum vita, and a list of three references. In the cover letter, applicants may discuss how the COVID-19 pandemic has negatively impacted their dissertation progress. Successful candidates must either have demonstrated a commitment to building an inclusive, equitable, and diverse campus community, or describe one or more ways they would envision doing so, given the opportunity.

We will request additional materials and letters of recommendation from candidates who advance in the search process. Review of materials will begin February 15, 2023, and continue until the position has been filled. Please direct questions about the process via email to richardscenter@psu.edu.

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