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**The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation:
East-Central European Research Fellows
Fellowships in the Humanities 2006-2007**

Applications are invited from Bulgarian, Czech, Estonian, Hungarian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Polish, Romanian and Slovak scholars under the age of 45 for Post-Doctoral Fellowships of *three months*, tenable in the period: *June 2006 – May 2007*.

The Mellon Foundation provides a fixed stipend to cover return travel, accommodation and all living expenses.

No limitation is placed on the area of research within the Humanities and Social Sciences but priority will be given to those whose work falls within the scope of one of the Institute's current Research Themes:

- Life Writing, Testimony and Self-Construction
- Diasporas, Migrations and Identities
- Institutions and Oppositions of Enlightenment
- The Humanities in the Twenty-First Century University

Details can be found at <http://www.iash.ed.ac.uk/themes.html>

The Institute is housed in an 18th century courtyard close to the University Library and about 20 scholars are in residence at any time. Fellows are allocated a private office in the Institute with all the usual research facilities and are expected to play a full part in the activities of the Institute. They are also encouraged to develop their contacts with colleagues within the College of Humanities and Social Science. They give at least one seminar on their current research work during their tenure.

APPLICATION DETAILS

An application form can be downloaded from the Institute website:
<http://www.iash.ed.ac.uk/mrf.application.form.html>.

The closing date for the receipt of applications is *17 March 2006*. Applications received after that date will not be considered. Successful candidates will be notified by email by *21 April 2006* with a formal letter of confirmation to follow; please ensure that you supply a valid email address so that you can be contacted quickly after decisions are made.

The completed application form can be emailed to iash@ed.ac.uk or sent (by airmail from outside the UK) to:

The Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities
The University of Edinburgh
Hope Park Square
Edinburgh, EH8 9NW
Scotland, UK.

Candidates may like to submit a copy of any one article or publication that is thought to be specially relevant to the research proposal and Fellowship submission.

References: Applicants should ask their referees to write in confidence directly to the Institute Director at the address above or by email to iash@ed.ac.uk by 17 March 2006. Referees should comment on the nature and quality of the research proposal, as well as on the qualifications of the applicant.

NOTES:

1. Candidates for Fellowships must have completed their doctorate. Consideration will be given to the academic record and the publications of all applicants and their capacity to disseminate their views among a community of like-minded people. Candidates should give evidence of any contact they have made with researchers at the University of Edinburgh, and of proposed collaboration during their visit to Edinburgh; those who do make such contact before submitting their applications will be at an advantage.
2. The Institute was established in 1970 to promote enquiry of the highest standards in the Humanities, broadly conceived. Inter-departmental and inter-disciplinary study is encouraged. All applications should state clearly the relationship of the proposed scheme of work to one or more of the current Research Themes of the Institute.
3. Fellows are expected to be resident in Edinburgh throughout the three month tenure of their Fellowship and to play a full part in the activities of the Institute. The Institute will be pleased to help with finding suitable accommodation in Edinburgh.
4. No regular teaching is required but Fellows usually give at least one seminar on their current research work.
5. The Institute is close to the University Library and within easy reach of the National Library of Scotland, the Central City Library, the National Galleries and Museums, the Library of the Society of Antiquaries in Scotland, the library of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, and the National Archives of Scotland.
6. Only fully completed applications will be considered. It is the responsibility of each applicant to ensure that all documentation is complete, and that referees submit their reports to the Institute by the closing date. Applications may include examples of their articles or other publications, but this is not a requirement.