

INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

of the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry (STM)
and the Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University in Berkeley (JST)



Instructions for Applicants

Visiting fellowships of six to nine months are available for scholars during the United States academic year (September through May) 2016-2017. As part of the application process, applicants will indicate their preference of research site (either at Boston College or in Berkeley, California, the location of Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University). Applicants must be from outside the United States and intend to continue working outside the United States once the fellowship has ended. They must hold a doctorate or have equivalent professional accomplishments, be fluent in English, and submit a research proposal consistent with the mission of the STM and JST, plus three letters of recommendation. Religious and priests must also submit a letter from their superiors confirming their good standing and giving them permission to accept the fellowship should it be granted. While the main purpose of the fellowship will be to conduct research on a chosen topic, JST and the STM hope that all International Fellows also contribute to the mission and projects of the two Jesuit theologates.

Deadline

All application material must be received by March 1, 2016 and must be submitted in English.

The Application

A complete application must include the following:

1. Application Form (attached)
2. A current curriculum vitae
3. A list of your publications (not to exceed three pages)
4. A project proposal (not to exceed 2,000 words)

All applications, regardless of research site preference, should be sent to the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry (information attached).

Project Proposal

The project proposal of no more than 2,000 words is the most important element in the selection process. It is essential to make your project clear to individuals outside your own field and to explain its broader implications. While project proposals will vary according to the author's disciplinary or professional background, the elements requested below should be incorporated into the texts:

1. A description of the topic and its importance beyond the interests of the specific field of study,
2. The originality of the proposed study, through a brief statement that locates it bibliographically within the current literature in the field,

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- 3. The basic ideas and hypotheses,
- 4. The methods or approaches to be used,
- 5. The material that will be drawn upon,
- 6. The relevance of the study to the mission of either the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry or the Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University,
- 7. The work completed already and what you hope to accomplish while at either STM or JST,
- 8. Your professional plans following the fellowship.

Letters of Recommendation

It is your responsibility to have three letters of reference in English sent directly to us by the application deadline. Your referees should be familiar with you and your work, and should be sent a copy of your project description so that they can comment specifically upon the proposed study and your qualifications for undertaking it. They may also comment upon how your work would benefit from and contribute to the work and mission of either STM or JST. Recommendations can be mailed directly to Boston College or emailed to stmadmissions@bc.edu.

Notification

Applicants will be notified in April 2016.

Contact

All materials should be mailed to:
Boston College
School of Theology and Ministry
Office of Admissions and Financial Aid
140 Commonwealth Avenue
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467
Attn: International Fellows Initiative

Applicants using FedEx, UPS, or other private delivery services should use this address:

Boston College
School of Theology and Ministry
Office of Admissions and Financial Aid
9 Lake Street
Brighton, MA 02135-3841
Attn: International Fellows Initiative

For information or questions only:

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APPLICATION FORM

Personal Data

Name:

(Last Name, First Name, Middle Name)

Email Address:

Address to which correspondence should be sent:

Telephone Numbers:

Home Office

Fax Email

Citizenship:

Religion:

Date of Birth: Sex:

Point of Departure from which you would need travel expenses:

Members of your immediate family who would accompany you:

Spouse:

Children and ages:

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Professional title and institutional affiliation: _____

Proposed dates of fellowship: _____

Fields of study: _____

Research Site Preference (please check one):

- ☐ Only interested in Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
- ☐ Only interested in Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University
- ☐ Preference for _____ but open to _____
- ☐ No preference

In 250 words or less, please provide a rationale for your site preference:

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References:
Please ask the people whom you list below to send their recommendations directly to the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry by February 15, 2014.

- 1. _____
Name and Occupation
- 2. _____
Name and Occupation
- 3. _____
Name and Occupation

Project Information:

Title of Project _____

100-word precis of attached project proposal and its significance:

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Education (Please list dates attended, institution name, and major field of study):

B.A./B.S. _____

M.A./M.S. _____

Ph.D. _____

Title of your Ph.D. dissertation _____

Professional/Occupational Experiences (List current position first):

Dates

Organization

Position

Please include any others on your curriculum vitae.

Fellowships/Honors (List most recent first):

Please include any others on your curriculum vitae.

Language:

If English is not your native language, indicate your degree of fluency in English (Excellent, Good, Fair, or Poor)

Reading _____ Speaking _____ Writing _____

In what languages relevant to your proposal are you proficient? _____

What language would you use in writing the final product proposed in this application?

I certify that all the information in my application is accurate and true.

Signature of Applicant and Date