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## National Endowment for the Humanities Scholar in Residence at the Center for Jewish History — call for applications

Through the generous support of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) the Center for Jewish History (the Center) invites applications for an NEH Scholar in Residence that will support original research conducted at the Center. Applications are welcome from scholars working in a broad range of fields within the humanities and social sciences. The application deadline is December 1, 2020 for a residency beginning in September 2021.

Applications are welcome from scholars in any field who have completed a PhD more than six years prior to the start of the fellowship and whose research will benefit considerably from consultation with materials in the collections of the Center's partners – American Jewish Historical Society, American Sephardi Federation, Leo Baeck Institute, Yeshiva University Museum, and YIVO Institute for Jewish Research.

Fellowships carry a stipend of \$60,000 for a period of 12 months. Fellows are expected to conduct original research at the Center, deliver at least one public program based on the research conducted, actively participate in the scholarly community at the Center, and be a mentor to the graduate student and postdoctoral fellows also in residence. Fellows must acknowledge the Center and the National Endowment for the Humanities in all publications resulting from research completed during the fellowship, and submit a report upon completion of the fellowship describing the experience.

## **Assessment Criteria**

- The ambition, scope, and intellectual significance of the proposed project.
- The quality and impact of the applicant's prior work in their respective field.
- The overall clarity and intelligibility of the proposal, with its aims clearly conveyed.

• The feasibility and appropriateness of the project proposal, including the applicant's disciplinary and linguistic training and, when relevant, the soundness of the dissemination and access plans.

• The likelihood that the applicant will become part of the life of the Center for Jewish

History for the time of the fellowship, by using its collections for the proposed project and participating in Center events.

The NEH Scholar in Residence will join a larger cohort of long- and short-term fellows within the Center's Fellowship Program. The Center seeks to build a fellowship cohort that is diverse in race, ethnicity, and gender as well as academic rank, geographic location, and field of study. Qualified individuals who would bring diverse perspectives and experiences to the fellowship are especially encouraged to apply.

## **Requirements for Application**

• Cover letter stating area of interest, how the project relates to the mission of the Center for Jewish History, and how the project will benefit from the residency (no more than one page);

- Curriculum Vitae;
- Research proposal (no more than 1500 words), including specific reference to the collections at the Center and clearly stated goals for research during the period of the fellowship;
- · A one-page bibliography of important secondary sources for the project;

• Contact information for three references, who can speak to the significance of the candidate's work.

Please submit application materials by email as one continuous PDF file.

Please submit your application by **December 1, 2020** to: Malgorzata Bakalarz Duverger, Ph.D. Director of Academic Programs Center for Jewish History 15 West 16th Street New York, NY 10011 United States of America Email: <u>fellowships@cjh.org</u>

We seek candidates who embrace and reflect diversity in the broadest sense. Minorities/ women/individuals with disabilities/protected veterans are encouraged to apply.