New Faculty Fellows Program
American Council of Learned Societies

Program Description:

• 50 New Faculty Fellows
• Award of $50,000 plus $5,000 research/travel allowance annually, health insurance, and $1,500 one-time moving allowance.
• ACLS will organize a clearinghouse to facilitate teaching appointments at a university or college.
• Two-year appointments for teaching and research beginning fall 2010.
• Teaching load of three semester-length courses per year.¹
• New Faculty Fellows will be affiliated with a department or program and receive professional mentoring.

Applications:

Applicants must be nominated by one of the sixty U.S. members of the Association of American Universities. Applicants must fulfill the following eligibility criteria:

• PhD awarded between January 2008 and December 2009.
• PhD in a humanities discipline or humanistic social sciences.²
• PhDs who have already secured tenure-track positions are not eligible.
• Applicants need to be willing to relocate to take up offered positions.

Deadline for nominations: October 28, 2009

ACLS Clearinghouse:

• Dossiers with statement of teaching competence as well as the research plans of selected fellows will be made available to participating universities and a select set of liberal arts colleges.
• Universities and colleges can extend offers to one or more of the selected fellows. Universities cannot “bid” on their own PhDs.
• Fellows make decision on acceptance of position; ACLS will record the terms of any agreement and remit stipend directly to receiving university or college.
• Fellows must accept a bona fide offer that complies with the terms of the program or will forfeit the award.
• Fellows who are not offered an appointment will receive a one-year stipend of $35,000.
• The award cannot be deferred, combined with any other fellowship, or taken up at the fellows’ home institution (except as indicated in the previous point.)
• Receiving institutions will share part of the costs of the appointment.³

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¹ At institutions using the quarter system, the teaching load would be ¾ the obligation of a starting assistant professor at that institution.
² Includes history, anthropology, and such areas as political theory, historical sociology, and economic history.
³ Universities will share 1/5 of the cost of the awards; Colleges will share ¼ of the cost.