

The Division of the Social Sciences  
solicits applications for the

# Benjamin Bloom Dissertation Fellowship

In 2019-2020 the Benjamin Bloom Fellowship will provide one dissertation write-up fellowship in the amount of \$27,000, plus tuition, required fees, and University basic student health insurance. If the student graduates with the Ph.D. within 18 months of the start of the fellowship tenure, he or she will receive a bonus stipend of \$2,000.

The fellowship seeks to support dissertation research on education that is carried out in any social sciences discipline. Ph.D. candidates in the Division of the Social Sciences are eligible. Employment, including teaching, is not permitted during the tenure of the award.

## *Application materials*

1. SSD Dissertation Year Fellowship Application Form (available online at: <https://apply-ssd.uchicago.edu/apply/>).
2. At least two letters of support\*.
3. Statement from the applicant that describes the dissertation project and a table of contents.
4. A statement of the current completion status of each chapter.
5. A curriculum vitae (CV).
6. A current University of Chicago official transcript.

*\*One of the supporting letters must be from the principal dissertation supervisor who should address candidly and in some detail the applicant's expected academic progress over the next 12 to 18 months and the likelihood of degree completion within that period.*

## *Criteria for the Award*

1. Appropriateness of the dissertation topic to the intent of the fellowship.
2. Outstanding record of achievement as a graduate student.
3. Prospect of completion of the dissertation by the end of the fellowship tenure.

## *Conditions of Award*

1. Students must have been admitted to candidacy at the time of application.
2. Bloom fellows may not engage in any remunerative activity, including teaching, either on or off campus while holding the award.
3. Fellowships will be awarded for the 2019-2020 academic year.
4. Bloom fellows who do not complete their degrees within six months of completion of their fellowships are ineligible for further internal University funding from any source, including the tuition grant associated with teaching assignments.
5. For students pursuing joint programs, eligibility is through the home department only.

***Departments set deadlines and procedures individually.***

*Nominations are due to the Office of the Dean of Students by Friday, March 29, 2019.*

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