

The Division of the Social Sciences invites departmental nominations for the

## 2019-2020 Michael and Ling Markovitz Dissertation Fellowship

The Markovitz Dissertation Fellowship provides up to two annual awards for dissertation write-up in the amount of \$27,000 (plus tuition, required fees, and university student health insurance) to a student whose dissertation topic explores some aspect of the linkages and influences between social and economic behavior. 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 research should consider from a disciplinary perspective the connection between the social/cultural and commercial spheres of life. Ph.D. candidates in any of the Social Sciences programs are eligible. Each department should determine its own internal deadline and review procedure, and submit one nomination by **March 29, 2019**.

### *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. Significance and quality of the dissertation project and appropriateness of the research to the intent of the fellowship.
2. Prospect of completion of the dissertation by the end of the fellowship tenure.
3. Inclination to share the fellowship over years across disciplines.

### *Conditions of Award*

1. Students must have been admitted to candidacy at the time of application.
2. Markovitz 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. Markovitz 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 due to the Office of the Dean of Students by **March 29, 2019**.

Questions may be directed to Kelly Therese Pollock, Office of the Dean of Students in the Social Sciences, at [kpollcock@uchicago.edu](mailto:kpollcock@uchicago.edu) or at 795-3238.