

University of New Hampshire Graduate School Summer Faculty Fellowships

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The Graduate School is pleased to announce the availability of Summer Faculty Fellowships. These awards are intended primarily for non-tenured (assistant professor), tenure-track faculty members for whom summer support can significantly contribute to professional growth and achievement. In addition, senior faculty awards (one at the associate professor (preference given to non-tenured, tenure track) and one at the full professor level) may be made. *Applications must be submitted to Harry Richards, Dean, Graduate School, Thompson Hall by February 7, 2014.*

Stipends are indexed to the contractual compensation for summer teaching. That is, Faculty Fellows will receive a stipend equivalent to the teaching of one three- or four-credit summer course, based on rank. All tenure-track faculty appointed on or before **September 1, 2013** are eligible to apply. Fellowships will not be awarded to support the completion of a terminal degree. Recipients of summer fellowships within the past three summers are not eligible. Proposals that advance a faculty member's scholarly/research agenda will be given priority over proposals involving textbook preparation or curriculum development.

Fellowship recipients are expected to devote significant time to the proposed project during the fellowship period of July and August. In addition, Fellows are expected to remain members of the UNH faculty in the year following the award. All Fellows must submit a summary of the work accomplished during the fellowship period before the end of September 2013 and be willing to participate in a public symposium sponsored by the Graduate School.

The application should consist of the following:

1. A one page cover letter which must include an abstract (non-technical) of two or three sentences describing the summer project. The cover letter must also describe how this project fits into the applicant's professional development plans and why the fellowship is needed at this point in the applicant's career.
2. A complete, non-technical description (no more than five double-spaced pages) of the proposed summer project. The method, design, and anticipated outcomes of a research or creative endeavor should be described.
3. A current curriculum vitae.
4. Two letters of recommendation, one from the Department Chair, the other from a faculty colleague able to evaluate the applicant and the proposed project. These letters of recommendation should address the following areas:
 - a. Applicant's teaching, research and scholarly performance and promise.
 - b. Applicant's future role in the department.
 - c. Possible alternative or supplementary sources of summer support, including plans for summer teaching.
 - d. Assessment of the applicant's proposed project.

The criteria for awarding Faculty Summer Fellowships are listed on the reverse side of this announcement. Recommendations for awards are made to the Dean by a standing committee of graduate faculty from a diverse array of academic disciplines.

Criteria for Awarding Faculty Summer Fellowships

1. Quality of the Proposal (12 points)

What is the scholarly merit of the proposed activities? Evaluate proposal itself with help from any other relevant material, e.g., letters of reference.

2. Letters of Reference (3 points)

Evaluate on the basis of information about quality of teaching, scholarship, and future role in the department.

3. Record of Scholarship (5 points)

Is the applicant an active contributor of quality work to the field? If a summer fellowship was awarded previously, was the support used productively? (Evaluate by information in the curriculum vitae and in the letters of reference.)

4. Feasibility and Timeliness (5 points)

Is the proposed project appropriate at this time in the individual's professional development and is it feasible to achieve the outcomes of the project during the fellowship period.