



RSHA/HRC Internal Fellowship 2024

We invite applications from continuing or fixed-term staff for the 2024 RSHA/HRC Internal Fellowship scheme, which provides one semester of research-only time and sessional support to cover teaching responsibilities. One fellowship per year will be awarded to RSHA staff in the second semester to complete a book manuscript, substantial journal article(s), or equivalent non-traditional research output. Early- and mid-career researchers are encouraged to apply.

Guidelines

Selection for the Fellowship will be decided by a committee that includes the Head of the HRC, CASS Associate Dean (Research), and the Director of the RSHA, in consultation with the relevant Heads of School, and the main criteria for selection will be research excellence and the quality of the academic venue. In the case of monographs, preference will be given to scholars with a contract or commitment from a reputable academic publisher. Potential applicants are strongly recommended to discuss their proposal with their Head of School (or Centre Director) or the Director of RSHA, Professor Kate Mitchell, in advance of submitting an application.

Specific criteria

- the quality of the proposed outcome;
- the applicant's capacity to complete the outcome within the Fellowship period;
- the applicant's track record relative to opportunity;
- the nature and extent of the applicant's current teaching load.

Applications must include

- an abstract (no more than one page);
- the applicant's CV (no more than four pages);
- a timeline for completion of the task;
- a statement (150-250 words) of how the Fellowship will benefit the applicant;
- a relevant draft or drafts;
- evidence (in the case of a monograph) that the work has been accepted for publication at a reputable academic press; and
- endorsement from the applicant's Head of School or Centre Director, accompanied by an outline of an agreed arrangement and budget for teaching relief.

Conditions

The Internal Fellowship will be awarded under the following conditions:

- The Fellows will be scholars-in-residence at the ANU Humanities Research Centre (Baldessin Precinct Building, Level 4), and will participate regularly in the intellectual life and activities of the HRC.
- Fellows will be expected to make use of their office in the HRC when on campus.
- Fellows are expected to attend HRC Work-in-Progress seminars and morning teas held every Tuesday at 10.15am.
- Fellows are expected to present their research as part of the HRC Work-in-Progress seminar series or at another HRC event during their Fellowship.
- The Fellowship will fund one semester of teaching relief. Fellows are expected to remain in Canberra, and the Monograph Fellowship may not be taken concurrently with the College's Outside Studies Program (OSP).
- Successful applicants may not apply for the Monograph Fellowship in consecutive years.
- No additional funding will be provided apart from the teaching relief (e.g., for a book launch, or copy editing).

Successful applicants must be located in the HRC in the Baldessin Precinct Building for the duration of their fellowship, with time away for research and/or conference attendance not to exceed four weeks during the entire fellowship. Staff on or just returning from OSP are not eligible. Internal fellows are expected to actively participate in the life of the HRC, attending regular events and the weekly seminar series, and are required to present a seminar on their research topic in the HRC Works in Progress Seminar series.

At the end of the fellowship, the RSHA Internal Fellow may be invited to continue their affiliation with the HRC as an Associate Research Fellow, renewable on an annual basis for a total period of up to three years. Renewal will be evaluated on the basis of a continued demonstrated engagement with, active participation in, and promotion of the HRC's programs and events.

The closing dates for Fellowship applications is COB Friday 10 May, 2024 (for teaching relief during the second semester of 2024). Applications will be considered, and applicants will be advised of the outcome in writing.

Please email applications to the HRC at hrc@anu.edu.au