

**Residential College in the Arts and Humanities  
Cultures and Languages across the Curriculum (CLAC) Fellowships  
Call for Applications  
2019-2020**

The Residential College in the Arts and Humanities (RCAH), in collaboration with the Graduate School at Michigan State University (MSU), announces a Cultures and Languages across the Curriculum (CLAC) fellowship program in undergraduate teaching and learning for MSU graduate students. The RCAH is an interdisciplinary college with a strong commitment to social justice, civic engagement, the visual and performing arts, and languages and cultures. A description of the program and information of the application process are detailed below.

**Program Description**

The RCAH provides its undergraduate students with opportunities to apply and strengthen their knowledge of languages and cultures through a project-based CLAC program. Graduate students selected for this fellowship participate in different components of the CLAC Program; this may include:

- Facilitating weekly immersion, project-based sessions in a language other than English for all levels of language learners
- Collaborating with RCAH faculty to be a guest speaker or cultural consultant in an RCAH course
- Participating in and leading weekly meetings with other CLAC fellowship recipients, faculty, and staff
- Designing and implementing research projects in areas such as needs assessment, materials development, instructional delivery, and program evaluation
- Creating and coordinating CLAC events for RCAH students and the wider community
- Developing and facilitating CLAC engagement activities with local and international communities

**Eligibility**

Eligible graduate students must be enrolled full-time in any MSU college, be in good academic standing, and be making progress toward a terminal degree in their field. Additionally, fellows have (near) native fluency in any language other than English. Each fellow receives a stipend of \$4000/semester to help support CLAC research project expenses, professional development workshops, and/or travel to professional conferences.

For further information or questions, please see the [RCAH CLAC Website](#) or contact Professor India Plough, RCAH, 362 Bogue Street, Snyder C210 or by email at [ploughi@msu.edu](mailto:ploughi@msu.edu).

**Application**

Applications must include the following items:

1. A completed [form](#) that includes
  - the applicant's information;
  - a curriculum vitae to be uploaded as a PDF document; and
  - an essay (maximum 800 words) that explains your reasons for applying, your professional goals and how participation will help you achieve those goals, to be uploaded as a PDF document.
2. A Recommendation Form (see attached) to be completed by the applicant's graduate advisor or department chair and sent under separate cover to Professor India Plough ([ploughi@msu.edu](mailto:ploughi@msu.edu))

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**Complete applications are due April 15, 2019  
Faculty Recommendation Form**

**Applicant Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
College: \_\_\_\_\_ Dept/School: \_\_\_\_\_ Year in Program: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant's Waiver of Right to Access**

I hereby waive my right to access this recommendation and any related attachments that have been written by \_\_\_\_\_ (name of recommender) on behalf of my application to the RCAH Graduate Fellowship Program. This waiver is effective insofar as the recommendation is used solely for the purpose of award of fellowship.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature Date

**To the Recommender:**

The applicant named above has applied for an RCAH Graduate Student CLAC Fellowship. Graduate students selected for this fellowship participate in different components of the CLAC program; this may include: Facilitating weekly immersion, project-based sessions in a language other than English for all levels of language learners; collaborating with RCAH faculty to be a guest speaker or cultural consultant in an RCAH course; participating in and leading weekly meetings with other RCAH CLAC fellowship recipients, faculty, and staff; designing and implementing research projects in areas such as needs assessment, materials development, instructional delivery, and program evaluation; creating and coordinating CLAC events for RCAH students and the wider community; developing and facilitating CLAC engagement activities with RCAH students and the wider community

Please complete this Recommendation Form and return to Professor India Plough at [ploughi@msu.edu](mailto:ploughi@msu.edu) by April 15, 2019.

<p>Overall recommendation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> strongly recommend</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> recommend</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> recommend with reservations</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> do not recommend</p>	<p>Applicant's research skills:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> outstanding (highest 5%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> very good (highest 10%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> good (upper 30%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> average (30% - 50%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> below average (lower 50%)</p>
<p>Applicant's interpersonal communication skills</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> outstanding (highest 5%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> very good (highest 10%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> good (upper 30%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> average (30% - 50%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> below average (lower 50%)</p>	<p>Applicant's collaborative skills</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> outstanding (highest 5%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> very good (highest 10%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> good (upper 30%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> average (30% - 50%)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> below average (lower 50%)</p>

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Signature and title

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Date