

Morgan-Menil Fellowship 2013–2014

The Morgan Drawing Institute and Menil Collection Drawing Institute will award one Fellowship for the 2013–14 academic year. This collaborative Fellowship draws on the complementary strengths of, and is intended to encourage research on, the respective institutions' collections and resources. The chosen applicant's project will focus on some aspect of the history, production, use, and cultural meaning of drawing as a discipline, with an emphasis on the relationships between the old-master tradition and the practice of drawing in the modern and contemporary era. Scholarly and public programs in which aspects of the Fellow's project will be presented will highlight this critical methodology. A variety of approaches by curators, art historians, critics, and theorists of art, as well as by scholars in related disciplines of the humanities, social sciences, and information technologies will be supported, and potential collaboration with the conservation departments in each institution, both of which have active fellowship programs of their own, is encouraged.

Scholars at all levels, from advanced doctoral candidates engaged in dissertation research to mid-career and senior scholars, whether affiliated with an institution or not, are eligible to apply.

Proposed research topics must be about drawing, with preference given to projects that would benefit from the resources at the Morgan Library & Museum and/or the Menil Collection (archives, collection, library, conservation). Preference will also be given to applicants whose work breaks new ground in drawing scholarship, either in its corpus or in its methodology, focuses on objects, or addresses the relationship of modern and contemporary drawing to the theory and practice of drawing in the past.

The Fellow will be expected to spend the fellowship period in residence from one to six months of the 2013–14 academic year, at both the Morgan, and at the Menil, depending on the project. Travel funds will be available to examine drawings or conduct complementary research at other institutions. Stipends will range from \$2,000 to \$25,000 and will be commensurate with length of the fellowship and the seniority of the scholar.

Other Information

The Fellow will be required to give a lecture (either a public lecture or a more informal talk) presenting the state of his or her research at the conclusion of the grant.

The letter of application must indicate the applicant's area of interest and expertise and how the Morgan and/or Menil would help facilitate his or her research, as well as proposed length of fellowship.

Fellows will have access to the rich and varied collections of drawings at both museums, as well as full use of the extensive research resources and facilities of the libraries, including access to online databases from which material can be downloaded. No additional funds for purchasing books, images, reproduction rights, or other special research materials are available.

Health insurance is not provided by the Morgan or by the Menil. Fellows may wish to consider short-term individual health insurance options available through www.gatewayplans.org.

Fellows are expected to make their own travel and housing arrangements. No housing is provided.

For foreign applicants, nonfinancial assistance with procuring a visa is provided.

Fellowships are non-renewable.

Application Procedure:

Applicants are asked to submit the following:

- a cover letter incorporating a personal statement indicating the applicant's area of interest and expertise and how the Morgan and/or Menil would help facilitate their research, as well as proposed length of fellowship
- a curriculum vitae
- a research proposal (maximum 3 pages, double-spaced)
- two publications (or excerpts thereof) or writing samples, at least one of which must be in English, not to exceed 10 pages each
- two letters of recommendation from academic or professional supervisors or colleagues, on letterhead and submitted as a PDF, or as an email sent directly from recommender
- proposed travel budget

All application materials must be in English and should be emailed to drawingfellows@themorgan.org.

Application Deadline: February 15, 2013

Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Successful applicants will be notified by March 15, 2013.