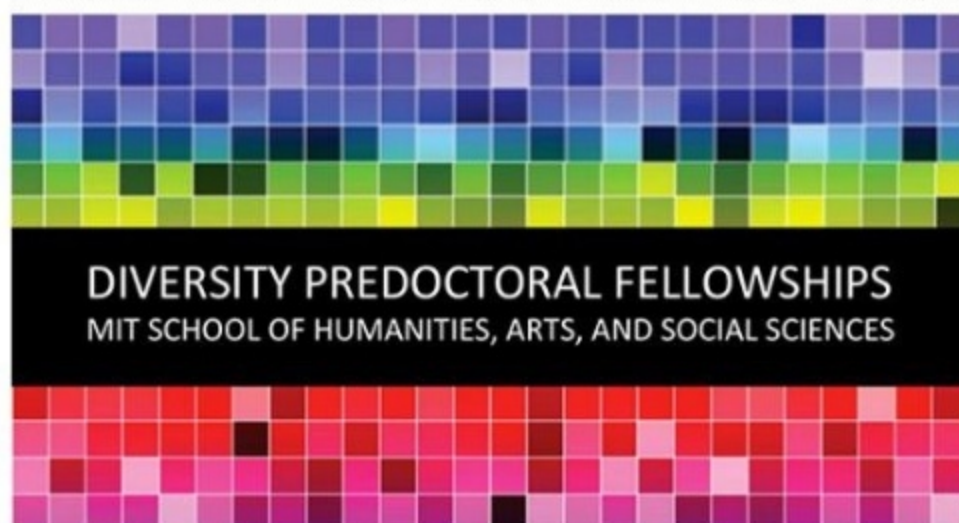


2019-2020 Diversity Predoctoral Fellowships

Application deadline: Thursday, February 28, 2019



The School of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, Massachusetts Institute of Technology invites applications for the 2019-2020 Diversity Predoctoral Fellowships.

The purpose of the Diversity Predoctoral Fellowships program is to enhance diversity in the School and to provide the Fellow with additional professional support and mentoring as they enter the field.

The fellowships are intended to support scholars from a wide range of backgrounds, who can contribute to the diversity of SHASS and the higher education community. Applicants from members of racial and ethnic groups that have historically been underrepresented in the humanities and social sciences and from disadvantaged backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

These Fellowships support graduate scholars for a 9-month appointment at MIT that generally runs from September through May. They offer an opportunity for scholars who plan a career in higher education and have completed all other PhD requirements to finish their dissertations with access to libraries and faculty of the School. Fellows may be pursuing the PhD degree in any discipline or area taught in the School of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences. Current fields of study can be viewed on [the MIT SHASS website](#). Each Fellow will be affiliated with a department or program in the School. Fellows will not be required to teach while at MIT.

Each Fellowship provides a stipend of \$37,500, office area, and library privileges.

In order to qualify for this Fellowship candidates must be:

- Enrolled in a PhD program in the humanities or social sciences at an accredited institution other than MIT
 - have passed their PhD qualifying examinations
 - have an approved dissertation proposal.
- Be a student of exceptional academic merit who belongs to a group underrepresented in higher education or who comes from a disadvantaged background.

Applications consist of:

- A personal statement of no more than 1,000 words, which mentions:
 - The academic unit (or units) within SHASS that the student wishes to be affiliated with.
 - A description of the student's dissertation, which addresses the dissertation's aim, methodologies (how the student will conduct the research), originality, and contribution to its field.
 - Any additional information that the student would like to present to the selection committee.
- Current curriculum vita
- Transcript
- Three letters of recommendation
- One chapter of the dissertation

MIT is not able to sponsor any visa type for participation in the MIT SHASS Diversity Predoctoral Fellowships.

All applications and attached materials are due no later than Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 11:59 PM EST. Late applications will not be considered.

These materials [should be submitted online](#).

Questions can be addressed to the SHASS Dean's office at predoc-shass@mit.edu.

Browse the list of [previous fellows](#).