The Society for the History of Medicine and Health Professions (SHMHP) Research Grant is offered annually by the Society to support research using the collections of the Historical Research Center (HRC) in the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Library.

The winning applicant is presented a certificate and a check of up to $1,500 to assist with the expenses of carrying out research using the collections of the Historical Research Center at the UAMS Library.

A summary of the project and a bibliography of Historical Research Center materials to be consulted are required as part of the application.

If the results of research funded by the grant are published in any media, two copies of the published product are required to be given to the Historical Research Center in the UAMS Library.

The completed project may also be considered for presentation at the annual dinner meeting of the Society for the History of Medicine and Health Professions.

Eligibility

Grant proposals that treat an aspect of the history of the health sciences are preferred, but other proposals will be considered.

Projects which have previously been published, performed, or released to the Internet are not eligible for funding.

Proposals should be submitted to the Society for the History of Medicine and Health Professions by December 15.

The winning applicant is notified in April.

Application Guidelines

Proposals should specify how the researcher intends to use materials in the HRC collections as well as comment on the historical significance of the research to be carried out.

The proposal should include:

- Title of proposal
- Abstract of proposal (100 words)
- Statement of significance of proposal
- Summary of proposal (5 pages, double spaced) This summary should include an indication of the significance of the project.
- Itemized budget (may include travel expenses)
- A bibliography, including specific materials from the Historical Research Center collection(s) to be used in the project (not to exceed 2 pages single spaced)
- Anticipated time of completion of the project
- Brief resume or curriculum vitae
Project Outcome  
Upon completion of the period of research at the HRC, all grant winners must complete an exit survey/interview about their project.

Evaluation of the Application  
Upon submission, each application is reviewed by members of the SHMHP Research Grant Selection Committee.

The following guidelines are considered when the applications are evaluated by the reviewers:

- Utilization of resources of the Historical Research Center
- Purpose of the research

If there are no appropriate proposals, the Society’s committee may elect not to award the Research Grant in a specified year. This revision of the original grant was approved by the SHMHP Membership on September 9, 2010.

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