AHRC infrastructure policy and engagement fellowships

Opportunity status: Open

Funders: Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC)

Funding type: Fellowship

Total fund: £240,000

Maximum award: £60,000

Publication date: 19 January 2021

Opening date: 19 January 2021

Closing date: 19 February 2021 16:00 UK time

Last updated: 25 January 2021

Apply for funding to undertake research and engagement in either:

- the creative industries
- heritage science and conservation research.

You must hold a PhD or have equivalent professional expertise. You must also have at least seven years’ experience in the relevant field.

Funding is available for four researchers, working collaboratively. Fellows will work to create recommendations for AHRC’s strategic vision for research infrastructure and future investments.

Projects can last up to five months, taking place between March and July 2021.

Join us for a virtual Q&A session, to discuss the opportunity in greater detail. The dates and times are as follows:

- heritage science and conservation research: 28 January 2021, 16:00
- creative industries: 2 February 2021, 16:00.

You can book your place, and submit questions in advance, by emailing infrastructure@ahrc.ukri.org. If you are unable to attend in person, a Q&A document will be published on this page shortly after the event has taken place.
Who can apply

Applicants must hold a PhD (or have equivalent professional expertise), and have at least seven years’ experience in the relevant field. Full eligibility criteria may be found in the call specification, and should be read carefully, as ineligible applications may be rejected.

Applicants must be available to conduct their research and engagement activities, at a minimum of 0.6 FTE, for up to five months between March and July 2021. AHRC will fund the fellowships at 100% of the Full Economic Cost (fEC).

What we're looking for

The aim of the fellowships is to undertake research and engagement that will inform and facilitate the design of a national research infrastructure in either the creative industries, or heritage science and conservation research, creating an evidence base to inform strategic vision and investment.

For a full description of the fellowship opportunity, we recommend that you refer to the relevant call specification for the area that you are interested in.

How to apply

To apply, please send a completed application form, and a CV and statement/cover letter which demonstrates your suitability for the role, identifies your preferred thematic area, and outlines your proposed approach to the research and engagement activities, to infrastructure@ahrc.ukri.org.

Please indicate clearly in your cover letter or statement which thematic area you seek to address.

Please also include a letter of support from an eligible research organisation by whom you are employed, or with whom you have a formal affiliation, recognising your availability for the duration of the fellowship, and endorsing your suitability for the role.

How we will assess your application
Applications will be assessed by an independent panel of subject area experts, first against the eligibility criteria, which are outlined in the call specification document. Then the panel will make recommendations for funding, based on the suitability of the applicant to the specified research area, and the feasibility of the proposed approach, to AHRC’s senior management, who will ultimately be responsible for the funding decision.

Contact details

For further information about this opportunity, please address all queries to AHRC’s Infrastructure team at infrastructure@ahrc.ukri.org, and we will aim to respond to you within two working days.

Additional info

Supporting documents

- Call specification for Heritage Science and Conservation Fellowship (PDF, 192KB)
- Application form for the Heritage Science and Conservation Fellowship (Word, 34KB)
- Call specification for the Creative Industries Fellowship (PDF, 152KB)
- Application form for the Creative Industries Fellowship (Word, 33KB)

Timeline

- 19 January 2021
  Opening date
- 19 February 2021
  Closing date
- w/c 22 February 2021
  Panel review
- 1 March 2021
  Earliest award start date
NOTE This is the first phase of our new website – let us know if you have feedback or would like to help us test new developments.