



Call for Applications

Graduate Humanities Summer Institute

May 8-12, 2023

For Graduate Students in the Humanities and Humanistic Sciences.

Deadline: March 31, 2023

Cosponsored by the Rothman Family Chair in the Humanities (Jack Davis), Smathers Libraries, the One Health Center, the Career Connections Center, The Graduate School, the International Center

GUIDELINES

A. Graduate Humanities Summer Institute Program Description

The Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere invites applications by graduate students in the humanities and humanistic sciences at UF for the Graduate Humanities Summer Institute (May 8-12, 2023).

Engaging the theme of “Expanding Horizons through the Humanities,” the Graduate Humanities Summer Institute centers on fostering both academic and professional versatility. The Summer Institute will provide graduate students with opportunities to expand their humanistic toolkits and research outputs as well as to translate their scholarly expertise and research skills for diverse professional contexts, within and beyond academia.

It will take place from May 8-12, 2023, at the [Austin Cary Forest Learning Center](#), and will feature five days of workshops, lectures, and small-group discussions.

During the morning sessions, experts will lead a series of professional development workshops aimed at enhancing graduate student training and experience outside their current research and teaching activities. In the afternoon, graduate students will explore ways to communicate their research within and beyond the university and develop a project proposal to pitch at the end of the week.

B. Eligibility

All applicants must be enrolled full-time in a graduate program in a humanities or humanistic social science discipline at the University of Florida. To be eligible, graduate students must demonstrate a focus on humanities scholarship and be in good standing. Applicants may be at any stage of their graduate program, but they cannot have received the graduate degree at the time of the institute.

CHPS uses [a definition of the humanities adapted from the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965](#) as the basis for evaluating the relevance of application statements.

APPLICATION

Submit parts 1 - 3 as a single PDF to Dr. Sara Agnelli at saraclassics@ufl.edu by **March 31, 2023**.

1. COVER SHEET with the following information:
 - Name
 - Department and email address
 - Name and email address of department chair
 - Name and email address of dissertation advisor (if applicable)
 - Name and email address of graduate coordinator
 - Year in program
2. STATEMENT OF INTEREST AND QUALIFICATIONS (max. 500 words for A-D) to include the following:
 - A. Describe your academic interests and teaching experience in relationship to the Summer Institute theme, “Expanding Horizons through the Humanities.” How has your research to date connected with this theme, or how would you like to engage it with this theme?
 - B. Describe your skills and experience in relation to the content and structure of the Institute.
 - C. Reflect upon the ways that participation in the Summer Institute will support your own professional and intellectual goals or ambitions.
 - D. A brief statement of your future plans. How will your participation in the Summer Institute help you envision career diversity?
3. CV (max. 2 pages)
4. An email declaring the applicant’s good standing. This email can be from the unit’s graduate coordinator or their program assistant, or the Departmental Chair or Director. This email should be sent to Dr. Sara Agnelli at saraclassics@ulf.edu by March 31, 2023.

Example declaration of good standing and endorsement:

As the (position) in the (Department name) I confirm that (applicant’s name) is making good progress as of (date of email). I endorse (applicant’s name) application for the 2023 Graduate Humanities Summer Institute.

(electronic signature), (date)

5. If the doctoral student has formally established a dissertation advisor or director, a brief email supporting the application is also necessary (the email may be similar to the template

above) and indicate that the dissertation advisor approves of the doctoral student potentially participating in this program.

CRITERIA OF EVALUATION

The Graduate Advisor Committee will evaluate applications based on input by the site mentor and the following criteria:

- a. Quality of insight into the relations between applicant's academic interests and teaching experience relevant to this year's Summer Institute theme.
- b. Student's skills and experience in relation to the content and structure of the Institute.
- c. Articulation of how the Institute will support student's professional and intellectual goals and aspirations.
- d. Student's insights into how the Summer Institute will contribute to career diversity.

APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

We invite applicants to write to the Assistant Director for Graduate Engagement (and internship coordinator), Dr. Sara Agnelli, at saraclassics@ufl.edu in advance with queries about the program or application process.