

**American Center for Mongolian Studies (ACMS)**  
**Research Fellowship Program**

**General Terms and Conditions**

1. All applicants must be citizens of the US or Canada, and must be attending or recently graduated from a university in the US or Canada. All applicants for dissertation fellowships must be able to demonstrate that they have completed required coursework for their programs and will have an accepted dissertation proposal prior to the start of their fellowship program. All post-doctoral fellows must have completed their PhD within 7 years of the start of their fellowship program. Applicants must provide evidence in their applications that these provisions will be met, and evidence that all requirements have been met before the fellowship funds will be disbursed.
2. Fellowship recipients must spend a minimum of 6 months and a maximum of 12 months of continuous time resident in Mongolia conducting their research projects under the fellowship program. All research projects must begin between September 2010 and March 2011. All fellows will be expected to work with the ACMS to identify resources related to their research work or field of study for the ACMS library. All fellows are required to participate in the annual academic seminar hosted in Ulaanbaatar by the ACMS under this fellowship program. Fellowship recipients will be required to communicate regularly with the ACMS Ulaanbaatar office to update the status of the research work during the term of the fellowship.
3. Research projects should focus on topics in the social sciences and humanities. Projects focused on topics in the natural sciences are not eligible unless there are clear areas where the research furthers knowledge of social, cultural, political, or policy knowledge about Mongolia and the region.
4. Applications must include all 7 required documents, and must be in English. All application materials must be received by the ACMS by March 1, 2010. Applications must be submitted by e-mail at *fellowship@mongoliacenter.org*. Letters of recommendations and transcripts may be submitted separately from other documents by email or mail, but they must be received by the application deadline.
5. All applicants must be current members of the ACMS to be considered for the program.
6. All travel between the US and Mongolia must be pre-approved and verified with the ACMS office to qualify for payment or reimbursement.
7. Fellowship funds for living and research stipends will be disbursed in regular installments by the ACMS, and will be conditional on satisfactory research progress and adherence to the conditions of the grant. A portion of the final fellowship stipend will be withheld until the recipient submits a final report on their fellowship experience.
8. Award recipients are responsible for paying all taxes related to their awards. The fellowship funds awarded are generally considered income in the United States, Canada, and/or Mongolia, and therefore must be reported to the tax authorities. The ACMS bears no responsibility for withholding or remitting taxes related to these awards.

9. Fellows are responsible for ensuring proper medical and evacuation insurance coverage during their time in the field in Mongolia. Proof of insurance coverage will be required before disbursement of fellowship funds.

10. The ACMS and Henry Luce Foundation reserves the right to adjust the amounts and types of awards given under this program, as well as the general terms and conditions, before award agreements are reached with each recipient.