Call for Applications

Beth and Arthur Lev Student Research Fellowship
Summer 2024

Deadline: March 31, 2024

The USC Dornsife Center for Advanced Genocide Research invites research proposals from USC undergraduate students and USC graduate students for the 2024 Beth and Arthur Lev Student Research Fellowship.

The fellowship provides $1,500 support for USC undergraduate students or $3,000 support for USC graduate students doing research focused on the testimonies of the USC Shoah Foundation Visual History Archive and/or other related USC resources and collections for one month during the summer of 2024. The fellowship is open to USC undergraduate students and graduate students of all disciplines.

The USC Shoah Foundation Visual History Archive is a collection of over 56,000 audiovisual testimonies of survivors and witnesses of the Holocaust and other genocides, including the Rwandan, Armenian, Guatemalan, Cambodian genocides, the Nanjing Massacre in China, and anti-Rohingya mass violence. The majority of testimonies are life history interviews in which interviewees discuss their lives before, during, and after genocide and mass violence. With interviews conducted in 65 countries and in 45 languages, testimonies capture both the individual experience of mass violence and the social and cultural history of the 20th century on a global scale. Learn more about the Visual History Archive here.

The Beth and Arthur Lev Student Research Fellow will be expected to spend a month in residence at the USC Dornsife Center for Advanced Genocide Research during the summer of 2024 (between May 15, 2024 and August 23, 2024), to play a role in the activities of the Center, and to give a public presentation based on their work and findings during the following academic year (2024-2025).

Award decisions for the fellowship will be based on the originality of the research proposal and the centrality of USC resources to the research project. USC is the home of internationally unique and growing research resources, which include not only the USC Shoah Foundation Visual History Archive, but also a Holocaust and genocide studies collection at Doheny Memorial Library with over 30,000 primary and secondary sources, including the Nuremberg Trials papers and a class action lawsuit against New York Life regarding the Armenian genocide; and a Special Collection containing private papers of German and Austrian Jewish emigrants from the Third Reich.
Applications are due by **March 31, 2024**.

To submit an application:

Email the materials below to [cagr@usc.edu](mailto:cagr@usc.edu) or upload them to the Fellowships page of the Center’s website. (Visit [https://dornsife.usc.edu/cagr/fellowships/lev-fellowship/](https://dornsife.usc.edu/cagr/fellowships/lev-fellowship/) and click Apply.)

- cover letter (including proposed dates of residency)
- current CV
- research proposal (1-3 pages), which should include a project outline and description of methodology
- recommendation letter from a faculty advisor (Your advisor may also submit the recommendation letter directly to [cagr@usc.edu](mailto:cagr@usc.edu).)

For questions, please contact [cagr@usc.edu](mailto:cagr@usc.edu).


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