



Call for Applications from Senior Scholars

2026-2027 Center Research Fellowship

Deadline: January 15, 2026

The USC Dornsife Center for Advanced Genocide Research invites applications from senior scholars for its 2026-2027 Center Research Fellowship.

The fellowship provides \$30,000 (one semester) support and will be awarded to an outstanding senior scholar from any discipline who will advance genocide research through the use of the Visual History Archive and other unique USC resources.

The recipient will be required to spend the Fall or Spring semester in residence at the USC Dornsife Center for Advanced Genocide Research in Los Angeles during the 2026-2027 academic year. The chosen fellow will be expected to provide the Center with fresh research perspectives, to play a role in Center activities, and to give a public talk during their stay.

Award decisions for this fellowship will be based on the originality of the research proposal, its potential to advance research within the field of Holocaust and Genocide Studies, the distinguished achievements of the candidate, and the centrality of USC resources to the project.

Founded in 2014, the USC Dornsife Center for Advanced Genocide Research distinguishes itself from other Holocaust and genocide research institutes by offering access to unique research resources and by focusing its research efforts on the interdisciplinary study of currently under-researched areas. (For more information, visit our website [here](#).)

USC Resources

The Visual History Archive is a collection of over 59,000 audiovisual testimonies of survivors and witnesses of the Holocaust and other genocides, including the Rwandan, Armenian, Guatemalan, Cambodian genocides, the Nanjing Massacre in China, anti-Rohingya mass violence, and war and genocide in Bosnia and Herzegovina. 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 70 countries and in 44 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](#).

Other internationally unique and growing research resources at USC include the extensive Holocaust and Genocide Studies collection at USC Libraries, which contains 30,000 primary and secondary sources including the original transcripts of the Nuremberg trials and the materials of the New York Life Insurance settlement regarding the Armenian genocide. Unique primary sources in the Special Collections at USC include the Feuchtwanger Memorial Library, which also houses the private papers of dozens of emigrants from the Third Reich, as well as private collections from Jewish Holocaust survivors and liberators.

Application Instructions

To submit an application:

Email the following materials to cagr@usc.edu or upload them to the Fellowships page of the Center's website. (Visit <https://dornsife.usc.edu/cagr/fellowships/center-fellowship> and click Apply.)

- cover letter (including proposed dates of residency)
- CV
- research proposal (max 3 pages) discussing the topic, methodological approach, and relevant USC resources

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For questions, please contact cagr@usc.edu.