



Application Form

Postdoctoral Fellowship in Conservation Science

Purpose

The Getty Conservation Institute's Postdoctoral Fellowship in Conservation Science is a two year program. The 2009–2011 fellowship will give particular emphasis to the application of science to some of the conservation issues being posed by modern and contemporary art. The postdoctoral fellow will play an integral role in the GCI's expanding area of Contemporary Art Research that works in collaboration with several external partners to address some of the pressing issues in the field. Existing projects include modern paints, outdoor painted sculpture, contemporary murals, and plastics, and for each of these areas methods are being developed to improve analysis, and to better understand how these materials will change with age and/or conservation treatments. Depending on the experience and expertise of the fellow, he/she may propose to work on one of the existing areas of interest, or to initiate a new project that addresses other areas of concern with modern and contemporary art.

Eligibility

Applications are welcome from scientists of all nationalities who are interested in pursuing a career in conservation science and have received a PhD in chemistry/physical science no earlier than 2003. The successful candidate will have a record of scientific accomplishment combined with a strong interest in the visual arts. All candidates should have excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to work effectively in small teams, and be versatile and creative problem-solvers. Excellent written and oral communication skills are required.

Terms

Postdoctoral Fellows in Conservation Science are in residence for a period of two years (September 2009–August 2011). They receive an annual stipend of \$29,300 for each of the two years. The fellowship also provides a workstation at the Getty Conservation Institute, an apartment in the Getty scholar housing complex, airfare to Los Angeles, and health benefits. The fellowships are not renewable.

Application Deadline

Completed application materials must be received in the Getty Foundation office on or before **November 1, 2008**. We regret that incomplete or late applications (those received after November 1, regardless of postmark date or place of origin) cannot be accepted for consideration. Unfortunately, we cannot accept applications hand-delivered to the Getty Center or those sent by e-mail or fax. Application materials cannot be returned.

Notification

Applicants will be notified of the Conservation Institute's decision in spring 2009.

Review Process

The Postdoctoral Fellowship is awarded on a competitive basis. Applications will be evaluated by the Getty Conservation Institute based on: (1) the applicant's demonstrated interest in conservation science; (2) background applicable to the 2009–2011 project plan; and (3) the strength of the application and supporting materials.

Application Instructions

- A. Provide one original and three copies (for a total of **four sets**) of the following application materials and collate each set in the order listed below. PLEASE DO NOT USE STAPLES OR SPECIAL BINDING MATERIALS; clips or rubber bands are sufficient.
1. **Information Sheet:** Must be completed and signed.
 2. **Statement of Interest in Conservation Science:** Each applicant must also include a statement of interest in the field of conservation science (not to exceed two pages, typed and double spaced).
 3. **Doctoral Dissertation Abstract**
 4. **Curriculum Vitae or Resume:** This should include education, honors, grants and awards, languages, professional experience and activities, publications, presentations, and other relevant accomplishments.
 5. **Writing Sample:** Each applicant must submit one writing sample of not more than 15 pages. This may be a sample of the dissertation. A copy of the writing sample must be included with each copy of the application.
 6. **Confirmation Letter:** Applicants must submit confirmation from the academic institutions that their doctorates have been awarded.
- B. **Letters of Recommendation:** Applicants must provide two confidential letters of recommendation enclosed with their application. Each letter must be in a separate, sealed envelope, with the recommender's signature over the seal. Letters may also be mailed separately by the recommenders directly to the Foundation, but in order to ensure that such letters can be considered, they must be received in the Getty Foundation office on or before November 1, 2008, and they must indicate clearly the type of grant (Postdoctoral Fellowship in Conservation Science) for which the recommended scholar is applying.
- C. **Acknowledgment of Receipt:** To receive acknowledgement that an application has been received, include a self-addressed envelope; it is not necessary to include postage.

Send completed application materials to:

Postdoctoral Fellowships in Conservation Science
The Getty Foundation
1200 Getty Center Drive, Suite 800
Los Angeles, California 90049-1685
U.S.A.

Inquiries

Additional information about Getty Research Grants is available online at www.getty.edu/grants/research/scholars or from the Foundation office (address above), 310 440.7374 (phone), 310 440.7703 (fax), or researchgrants@getty.edu (e-mail).

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Please type or print clearly:

Prof./Dr./Mr./Ms. Last Name First Name Middle Name

Home Address

City State Postal Code Country

Home Phone Fax E-Mail

Country of Citizenship Are you a legal permanent resident of the United States? Yes No

Institutional Name Department

Title E-Mail

Address City State

Postal Code Country Office Phone Fax

Title of Dissertation:

Colleges and/ or universities attended (list most recent first)	Dates attended	Degree and date conferred (month/year)	Major subject

Recommenders: (1) _____

(2) _____

I hereby certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature Date