



The 2005-2006 program guidelines and eligibility requirements below are provided for information purposes only. Criteria are subject to change each year. Please check the ACLS Web site, www.acls.org, in spring of 2006 for information on the 2006-2007 competition.

Henry Luce Foundation/ACLS Grants to Individuals in East Asian Archaeology and Early History

The American Council of Learned Societies is pleased to announce a new program of grants to individuals in the archaeology and early history of East Asia. This program is undertaken in cooperation with the Henry Luce Foundation.

Research fellowships and training grants will be awarded for study of the peoples and cultures of early East Asia. Comparative projects and those that build scholarly networks are especially encouraged. Proposals may cover prehistoric or historical periods, but must focus on research or training that involves excavations and/or excavated materials.

For the purposes of this program, "East Asia" refers to northeast Asia (China, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Macau, Mongolia, and Taiwan) and southeast Asia (Brunei, Burma/Myanmar, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam).

ACLS grants to individuals are part of the comprehensive Luce Initiative on East Asian Archaeology and Early History that also includes a competition for invited institutions—universities and museums—administered by the Luce Foundation's Asia Program.

Information regarding grants to institutions is available on the Luce Foundation's Web site, at www.hluce.org, under the Asia Program section.

Henry Luce Foundation/ACLS grants to individuals seek to

- promote research, including the interpretation and analysis of sites, artifacts, and texts;
- train the next generation of specialists;
- foster cooperation among specialists in East Asia, the United States, and Canada; and
- bring to wide public appreciation the results of recent discoveries and research.

General inquiries about the competition should be sent via e-mail to the ACLS office in New York at grants@acsls.org. Information about submitting applications is also available from ACLS offices in Beijing at cscbro@public3.bta.net.cn and Hanoi at edex@ceevn.org.

Instructions for Applicants from East Asia, 2006

Eligibility: Applicants must be residents of East Asia and have their primary professional affiliation at an institution in this region. Applicants must hold an advanced degree in a relevant discipline such as archaeology, art history, literature, or history, must be nearing completion of such a degree, or must possess commensurate experience at archives, museums, or field sites. Proficiency in English sufficient for academic work in the United States or Canada is required.

Terms: Award amounts, which are intended to cover travel, research costs, and living expenses, will vary by grant category and length of grant period. ACLS offices in New York, Hanoi, and Beijing will assist individual grantees, as appropriate, in obtaining air tickets, visas, and health insurance, and will pay any institutional fees required for affiliation or residence. The remainder of the award will be paid directly to the grantee.

Grant categories: Applicants should indicate on the application form the type of grant for which they wish to apply. Essays should address the specific objectives and circumstances of each of the following grant categories.

- 1. Study and research fellowships** will be awarded to doctoral candidates and recent recipients of the Ph.D. degree for a full academic-year residence at a university, research institute, or museum in the United States or Canada for study of new methods and comparative perspectives relevant to their research, to the courses they teach, or to their other professional responsibilities. *Award: \$32,000 for ten months (amount reduced pro-rata for shorter tenure).*

Priority will be given to scholars early in their careers. Proposals should build on the knowledge and skills applicants possess and should aim to enhance their current research or teaching.

- 2. Summer field-school scholarships** will be awarded to scholars, archivists, curators, conservators, and other professionals for study of archaeological techniques and comparative perspectives at excavation sites outside of East Asia administered by US or Canadian institutions. A list of recommended field schools is available from ACLS. Applicants should contact the field school/s of their choosing directly, indicating on the ACLS application form the school/s to which they have applied and their enrollment status if any. ACLS awards will be paid to awardees contingent on their acceptance at an approved field school. *Award: \$9,000.*

Additional information on Summer field-school scholarships, including the list of recommended field schools, is available [here](#).

- 3. Translation grants** will be awarded to scholars (including Ph.D. candidates) for translation of works of significant value to the field, from English into an East Asian language. Applicants should provide

evidence of formal training or practical experience in translation. Proposed plans of work should include residence at an institution at which the translator can consult with the author of the original text or with a specialist in the field who works primarily in the original text's language. Funds will be available for a minimum residence of one academic semester. *Award: \$26,000 for six months (amount reduced pro-rata for shorter tenure).*

4. **Internships** will be awarded to individuals possessing an appropriate degree or professional experience, for work in the United States or Canada at museums or other collections of artifacts or archives. Work proposed should concern conservation, preservation, or the technical analysis and cataloguing of materials, and should be planned as a collaborative effort with US or Canadian partners. Funds will be available for a minimum of six months. *Award: \$36,000 for ten months (amount reduced pro-rata for shorter tenure).*
5. **Summer Dissertation Seminar scholarships (available in 2007):** ACLS will organize a three-day meeting in summer 2007 for individuals who have just received Ph.D. degrees or who have completed fieldwork and are preparing to write their dissertations. Participants will present key issues of their research in roundtable format before their peers and selected scholar-mentors. Special sessions will survey current trends and career prospects in the field. *Grantees will be provided with transportation, meals, and accommodations; no additional stipends.*

Scholarships will be awarded to US, Canadian, and East Asian scholars who are resident in North America at the time of the seminar (no international travel will be provided). **Applications for the Summer Dissertation Seminar 2007 should be submitted in February 2007.** Application forms will be available in September 2006.

Selection criteria: The selection committee will judge proposals on their intrinsic intellectual merit, the clarity and cogency with which they are presented, and the significance of their contribution to the field of early East Asian studies. Especially encouraged are applications for projects and training that stimulate and enable international communication among scholars.

Project report: A brief report of one or two pages describing work accomplished during the grant period will be due at ACLS six months after the project end date. The report may be sent via e-mail to grants@accls.org.

Application forms, grant periods, and deadlines: Application forms are provided in .pdf format. (You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader; [click here](#) to download the Reader free of charge.) Each application requires two letters of recommendation (please print two copies of the form provided) and one language evaluation from a person qualified to assess the applicant's language ability.

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- 2. Post-doctoral fellowships** will be awarded to scholars holding the Ph.D. degree from an institution in the United States or Canada for the purpose of research and/or writing. Funds will be available for a minimum of five months up to ten months, to be used either in East Asia, or in the United States or Canada. Priority will be given to scholars early in their careers. *Award: \$36,000 for ten months (amount reduced pro-rata for shorter tenure).*
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