ACM History Committee—Call for Applications

2022 History Fellowship Program

Application Deadline: 15 February 2022 AOE

The ACM History Committee is pleased to announce our 2022 History Fellowship Program. The Fellowship Program is designed to support research and/or curatorial projects related to ACM’s professional and educational activities and/or to ACM’s rich institutional history including its organization, publications, SIG activities, and conferences.

The Association for Computing Machinery, founded in 1947, is the oldest and largest educational and scientific society dedicated to the computing profession and today has more than 100,000 members worldwide. The ACM History Committee’s charter directs it to foster the collection, preservation, and interpretation of the history of the ACM and its role in the development of computing. One way we foster the development of ACM History is through our annual History Fellowship Program.

The 2022 History Fellowship program will support up to four projects with awards of up to $4,000 each. Applicants need not be associated with an academic institution; applicants from academia may be of any rank, from graduate students through senior processors and researchers. Awardees, upon project completion and before May 2023, are required to submit to the ACM History Committee a written, one-page summary of their project’s results.

Application Process

Application deadline is 15 February 2022 AOE. Notification of awards will be made by 1 April 2022. To be considered, an application must include:

- Project description (750 word limit)
- Project Timeline
- Project Budget
- Applicant’s CV (limit 2-pages)
- Letter of endorsement from a scholarly or curatorial reference

Within the 750-word description, applicants must specifically address these points:

- Description of the activity: What is the proposed activity and how do you plan to go about accomplishing it?
- Relationship of the work to ACM: How is the proposed work related to ACM History?
- Products/Outcomes: What products/outcomes do you expect to produce? E.g., journal article, book or dissertation chapter, teaching resource, museum exhibit, website, oral history, collection of artifacts or archival materials.
- Significance: When completed, what will be the significance of your work products?
- Likelihood of success: What is your project’s likelihood of success and what are the risks?

Proposals should be submitted as a single pdf-format document to fellowship@history.acm.org.

Resources for Applicants

- Questions about how to do the application?
  Email: fellowship@history.acm.org or questions@history.acm.org
- ACM Research Materials
● “Sources for ACM History,” *CACM* 50 #5 (May 2007): 36-41
  <doi.acm.org/10.1145/1230819.1230836>.
● Descriptions of previous History Fellowship Award Projects and Sample Proposals

Applicants are hereby notified that, if successful, their narratives may be provided to future applicants as an example for heuristic purposes. Every effort will be made to redact information of a sensitive nature.