Application for Graduate Fellowship and/or Assistantship
University of Kentucky English Department

PLEASE READ BEFORE COMPLETING THE FORM

Definitions:
Fellowship—a competitive, non-service award given to excellent students to assist them in the pursuit of an advanced degree

Assistantship—an appointment to specific teaching or research duties, which generally includes a taxable stipend, tuition scholarship, and student health insurance (for full-time assistants)

Decision Process:
Fellowship and assistantship decisions are generally made by the English department. Assistantships are awarded directly by the department. Fellowships are formally awarded by the Graduate School, but awards are almost always based upon the specific recommendations of the department.

Fellowships and assistantships are awarded for the academic year. All application materials must be in by the due date of January 15th. Assistantship decisions are made by April 15th. Fellowships are awarded by May 15th. Notification of a fellowship comes directly from the Graduate School, while notification of an assistantship comes from the department.

Eligibility:
Awards are sometimes offered before an applicant is admitted to the Graduate School. However, all awards are contingent upon full admission to the Graduate School and the degree program.
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*Please upload this document to your Apply Yourself graduate admissions application.

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________

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Phone: ___________________ Email: ________________________________

Undergraduate GPA: _____    Graduate GPA: _____

I wish to be considered for (please mark one or both):

Fellowship _____        Assistantship _____

Graduate Degree Sought (please mark one):

Master’s _____    Master of Fine Arts _____    Doctorate _____

Relevant Teaching Experience:

Employer   Place   Date   Job Title or Duties

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Resolution regarding Graduate Scholars, Fellows, Trainees, and Assistants, adopted by the Council of Graduate Schools in the United States:

"Acceptance of an offer of financial support (such as a graduate scholarship, fellowship, traineeship or assistantship) for the next academic year by a prospective or enrolled graduate student completes an agreement that both student and graduate school expect to honor. In that context, the conditions affecting such offers and their acceptance must be defined carefully and understood by all parties.

"Students are under no obligation to respond to offers of financial support prior to April 15; earlier deadlines for acceptance of such offers violate the intent of this Resolution. In those instances in which a student accepts an offer before April 15, and subsequently desires to withdraw that acceptance, the student may submit in writing a resignation of the appointment at any time through April 15. However, an acceptance given or left in force after April 15 commits the student not to accept another offer without first obtaining a written release from the institution to which the commitment has been made. Similarly, an offer made by an institution after April 15 is conditional on presentation by the student of a written release from any previously accepted offer. It is further agreed by the institutions and organizations subscribing to the above Resolution that a copy of this Resolution should accompany every scholarship, fellowship, traineeship, and assistantship offer."

Signature: ________________________________ Date: ____________________