

CfP: Research Workshop Program, Mandel Center, USHMM

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CALL FOR PROPOSALS: RESEARCH WORKSHOP PROGRAM

Applications due May 14, 2021

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum's Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies invites proposals from individuals and institutions to co-organize research workshops in conjunction with the Mandel Center in 2022.

We welcome proposals for workshop themes from scholars at universities and research institutions in all relevant disciplines, including (but not limited to) history, political science, literature, Jewish studies, Romani studies, philosophy, religion, anthropology, genocide studies, and law.

Successful applicants will collaborate with Mandel Center staff scholars to design and co-lead a workshop at the Museum. Applicants may apply as individual co-organizers or on behalf of an institutional co-organizer. Participants for the workshop will be selected through an open Call for Applications drafted by the co-organizers in cooperation with Mandel Center staff.

ABOUT THE WORKSHOPS

The workshops convene groups of 10 to 15 scholars for one or two weeks of presentations by participants on their particular research projects; workshop-based research using the Museum's collections; and in-depth discussions of overarching research issues, priorities, findings, and potential future collaborative endeavors.

Details about previous workshops can be found at www.ushmm.org/past-workshops.

MUSEUM RESOURCES

The Museum's National Institute for Holocaust Documentation houses an unparalleled repository of Holocaust evidence that documents the fate of victims, survivors, rescuers, liberators, and others. The Museum's resources include approximately 110 million pages of Holocaust-related archival documentation; library resources in over 60 languages; hundreds of thousands of oral history, film, photo, art, artifacts, and memoir collections; and a Holocaust survivor database. In addition, the Museum possesses the holdings of the International Tracing Service (ITS), which contains more than 200 million digitized pages with information on the fates of 17.5 million people who were subject to incarceration, forced labor, and displacement as a result of World War II. Many of these records have not been examined by scholars, offering unprecedented opportunities to advance the field of Holocaust and genocide studies.

Participants will have access to both the Museum's downtown campus and the David and Fela Shapell Family Collections, Conservation and Research Center. For further information about the Shapell Center, please visit www.ushmm.org/shapell-center.

For further information about the Museum's collections, and to search our collections catalog, please visit www.ushmm.org/scope-of-collections.

AWARDS

The Mandel Center will arrange accommodations and reimburse travel and incidental expenses for workshop participants, including the workshop co-organizer(s). Workshops held in collaboration with institutional partners may entail a cost-sharing agreement.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications to the Research Workshop Program must be submitted online. [You can access the application form here.](#)

Applications are due **Friday, May 14, 2021**.

The application requires you to upload a description of the proposed workshop **not to exceed two single-spaced pages** detailing the research project's focus, significance, scope, methods, objectives, and expected outcomes, as well as proposed dates for the workshop.

Applications also require CVs for **no more than two individual co-organizers**, and, if applicable, a description of the mission, research agenda, and programmatic activities of the proposed co-organizing institution not to exceed one single-spaced page. Applicants should hold a PhD or have advanced to candidacy in a doctoral degree program.

The Mandel Center will evaluate applications according to their (1) potential contribution to interdisciplinary scholarship in Holocaust and genocide studies; (2) potential to stimulate work in a new direction or productive area of research; (3) relationship to larger themes or issues in Holocaust and genocide studies; and (4) potential for new publications or other collaborative research endeavors directly resulting from the workshop.

If selected, the workshop co-organizer(s) will work with Mandel Center staff scholars over the summer of 2021 to design the workshop agenda and Call for Applications for workshop participants. Participant applications in this stage of the process will be due in mid-November of 2021 for workshops to be held in 2022. [View the Calls for Applications for the 2021 workshops.](#)

FOR MORE INFORMATION

The Call for Proposals is available at www.ushmm.org/research-workshops.

Please send any questions regarding the Research Workshop Program via email to:

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