CFA: Grant: Research in the Upper Midwest Jewish Archives, University of Minnesota Libraries

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Dr. Linda Mack Schloff Research Award Fund

Funds of up to $1,400 are available for researchers looking to use the materials of the Upper Midwest Jewish Archives at the University of Minnesota Libraries. This scholarship, provided via the Jewish Historical Society of the Upper Midwest, allows visiting scholars assistance in funding for research in the Elmer L. Andersen Library at the University of Minnesota. Funds may be used for transportation, lodging, meals, research costs, and other incidental expenses. The fellowship is available for a single, continuous research trip; to be eligible, scholars will reside outside the Twin Cities metropolitan region. The funds are distributed by the Jewish Historical Society of the Upper Midwest, the organization that began collecting materials that would eventually become the Upper Midwest Jewish Archives collection at the University of Minnesota. The Dr. Linda Mack Schloff Research Award Fund is named for JHSUM’s former long-time executive director who was instrumental in organizing and managing the archives.

To apply

Applicants should include:

- a curriculum vitae,
- a brief research proposal that identifies source materials to be used from the Upper Midwest Jewish Archives and the intended outcome for the research (journal article, book chapter, museum exhibit, etc.), and
- an estimated travel budget with itemized expenses.

The deadline is April 15th, 2022. A selection will be made within 4-6 weeks and travel may commence directly thereafter. Inquiries and applications to be directed to Kate Dietrick at the Upper Midwest Jewish Archives. Applications may be submitted by email to diet0134@umn.edu or postmarked no later than April 15th. Address is: Upper Midwest Jewish Archives, Elmer L. Andersen Library, 222 21st Ave S., Minneapolis, MN 55455.

Researchers receiving the Schloff research award will be expected to: be in residence in Andersen Library for a minimum of 2 working days, and either give a brief presentation of their research in progress to JHSUM members and the public or write a brief article regarding their research visit

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that can be used in an upcoming JHSUM newsletter. Work can commence once the award is granted and should be conducted within a calendar year.

The Upper Midwest Jewish Archives has materials illustrating the American Jewish experience from a Midwestern perspective, chronicling the activities of the local Jewish populations of Minnesota, North and South Dakota, in creating and supporting ethnic/religious communities and advocacy organizations, as well as their efforts to promote social welfare and social justice. For more information visit our website at www.lib.umn.edu/umja.