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HISTORY Workshop

‘The Everyday and Public History’

Honours, Masters, PhD and Postdoctoral Fellowships

The Wits History Workshop has been awarded a prestigious grant by the **Andrew W. Mellon Foundation** to undertake postgraduate research on ‘**The Everyday and Public History**’.

Postgraduate Fellowships

Rooted in the History Workshop’s tradition of social history, the project seeks to give sustained attention to ‘the everyday’ as a conceptual frame through which to understand social, cultural and political processes in southern Africa, and to simultaneously enable an engagement with everyday practices of historical knowledge production in the field of public history. The experience of everyday life could be explored as part of thematic areas that include (but are not limited to): the politics of everyday life, affect, leisure and space.

The project is interdisciplinary and fosters collaborations between students, researchers and individuals and groups engaged in the production of public histories. It hosts workshops on theory and methodology, writing retreats, reading groups, public lectures and supports public history projects.

The project is interdisciplinary and welcomes applications from emerging South African and African postgraduate scholars with distinguished academic records - from Honours to postdoctoral level - in the humanities to produce innovative research around theories, practices and histories of the everyday. Preference will be given to South African citizens or permanent residents and the programme is committed to active transformation.

The value of the fellowships per year is:

- **R85000** for Honours
- **R95000** for Masters
- **R125000** for PhDs
- **R200000** (plus medical aid and research expenses) for Postdocs

Information

For further information please contact the administrator, Antonette Gouws, email: antonette.gouws@wits.ac.za or Tel no: +27 11 717-4291

To Apply

To apply please submit the following:

- A detailed and up-to-date CV showing your postgraduate degrees and course components.
- A covering letter detailing your proposed research focus and how that might fit into this initiative.
- Two academic letters of reference.
- Certified copies of degrees
- An academic transcript (for Honours, Masters and PhD applications).
- An example of any recent written or published work (third year essay for Honours applications).

Please note that for Honours, Masters and PhD fellowships, students must be registered at Wits and apply separately to the academic department that they wish to study in. Students are also encouraged to apply for the postgraduate merit award.

Applications should be emailed to: Antonette Gouws, antonette.gouws@wits.ac.za

Closing date: **25 Sept 2018**