

USC Shoah Foundation

Center for Advanced Genocide Research

Call for Applications

Teaching Fellowship Academic Year 2016-2017

The USC Shoah Foundation Center for Advanced Genocide Research invites proposals for its 2016-2017 Teaching Fellowship that will provide support for university and college faculty to integrate testimonies from the USC Shoah Foundation Visual History Archive (VHA) into new or existing courses. **This fellowship is only available to faculty at universities and colleges that subscribe to the VHA, either [directly](#) or through ProQuest.**

The Teaching Fellowship provides financial support and staff assistance to faculty members who wish to use the life-history testimonies in their courses. The fellowship is open to all disciplinary and methodological approaches and will be awarded on a competitive basis to the most interesting project or projects.

The USC Shoah Foundation Visual History Archive holds over 53,000 video testimonies of survivors and other eyewitnesses of the Holocaust, the Rwandan and Armenian genocides, and the Nanjing Massacre in China. The interviews were conducted in 39 languages and in 63 countries. They encompass the experiences not only of survivors in these contexts, but also of witnesses, liberators, aid providers, and war crimes trials participants. These interviews are life histories, and as such their subject matter includes the history and culture of the countries of the interviewees' birth and their lives before, during and after genocide. The interviews average two hours in length and offer a wealth of possibilities for integration into many disciplines' coursework.

Proposals will be judged according to the centrality of the VHA interviews to the course content. Preference will be given to classes that will be taught in the 2016-2017 academic year for existing courses and the 2017-2018 year for new course proposals.

The stipend will be awarded in the amount of \$2,000 with an additional \$500 for in-class materials related to the testimonies.

Depending on funding, the awarded faculty will have the opportunity to spend some days in residence at the Center to collaborate with USC Shoah Foundation staff and researchers and receive specialized research assistance in preparing for their course. Final course syllabi will be posted to the Center's website and in a quarterly digest. Faculty will also be expected to give a public presentation of their course experience at the end of the fellowship period.

To submit an application, please send a cover letter, current CV, and proposal (2-3 pages) by **August 31, 2016** to cagr@usc.edu.

For further information about the USC Shoah Foundation Center for Advanced Genocide Research, please consult the Center website: cagr.usc.edu.