UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Research and Training Program
on Poverty And Public Policy
Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy
1015 E. Huron Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48104-1689

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The purpose of the Research and Training Program on Poverty and Public Policy is to provide outstanding American minority scholars the opportunity for one or two years of research and extensive training at the University of Michigan. This program encourages interdisciplinary research through course work, research and faculty interaction.

Selection Criteria - This fellowship is open to American citizens and permanent residents who are members of a minority group that is underrepresented in the social sciences.

Preference will be given to scholars who have received the Ph.D. after 1998. All proposals will be reviewed by a selection committee of nationally recognized scholars.

Residence - Applicants are expected to spend one or two calendar years at the University of Michigan. Briefly describe how you expect to benefit from the resources of the University of Michigan in a one-page statement. Please indicate your proposed period of residence.

All Postdoctoral Fellows will receive a stipend of $44,000 for the calendar year plus subsidized access to the university's health insurance program. Modest research expenses, including access to the university's computer and support services, will also be provided. Moving expenses are the responsibility of the fellow.

Please carefully read the instructions on the Application Checklist.

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Application Checklist

Postdoctoral Grants for Research

To ensure that your application is completed properly, check off the following steps as you finish them. ONLY TYPED APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN JANUARY 13, 2003. Applicants should read the program flyer before completing the application.

FOUR COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS SHOULD BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE MICHIGAN PROGRAM BY THE APPLICANT. DO NOT SEND VIA FAX OR EMAIL.

[ ] ***An Application Form***. Complete each item. Do not provide a resume or additional materials in lieu of completing the application form.

[ ] ***A Research Proposal.*** The research proposal is the **most important** part of the application. It should be typed, double spaced, with your name at the top of the first page. The statement should be no more than 15 pages in length (not including a bibliography or references). There is no prescribed format, but the proposal should: (1) clearly state the question(s) that the project seeks to address and describe why the answers to these questions are important; (2) **briefly** summarize the research literature or body of knowledge to which the research will contribute; (3) present major propositions or hypotheses; (4) **fully** describe the research design, methods and evidence that will be used in the research; and (5) indicate how the proposed analysis will provide answers to the research questions. Submitting an extensive bibliography is not recommended, but including a small number of relevant citations will help reviewers place the study in its field. **The proposal should give particular emphasis to items (3), (4), and (5).**

A successful proposal may represent a significant extension upon previous work or a new project. Applicants who propose to extend previous work should justify the extension theoretically: the collection of more cases or new data sets is not, in and of itself, sufficient reason to fund an extension. Applicants who propose a new project should explain their background and preparation for work in this area.

[ ] ***A One-page Statement*** on the way residence at the University of Michigan will help further your research goals.

Applicants should name specific individuals, programs, or research projects at the University of Michigan and explain how their work would benefit from contact and collaboration with these people. Applicants should also talk about the training they would like to have in specific methods, literatures, or research approaches, so that the selection committee can make appropriate determinations of the availability of such opportunities at Michigan.

[ ] ***A Recent Copy of Your Curriculum Vita***.

[ ] ***A Sample of Your Scholarly Writing*** (e.g. a published article, chapter from a dissertation, draft manuscript). The writing sample should not exceed 25 pages in length.

[ ] ***An Acknowledgement Card*** (one only). Address it to yourself. It will be returned to you to notify you of receipt of all required materials including those forms completed by others.

THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS SHOULD BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE MICHIGAN PROGRAM BY OTHERS:

[ ] ***Three Reference Forms.*** Type the requested information at the top of both sides of the forms before distributing them. Distribute the enclosed envelopes with these forms.

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Postmark Deadline: January 13, 2003

PLEASE TYPE. Only applications (1) written in English and (2) typed will be accepted. Do not write on the back or in the margins. Do not attach your resume in lieu of completing this form.

1. Name *Last* *First* *Middle Initial*	
2. Current Mailing Address	***Home Telephone:*** ***Office Telephone:*** ***FAX:*** **E*mail:***
3. Permanent Address	***Telephone***
4. Preferred Address **[ ]** ***current address*** **[ ]** ***permanent address***	
5. Are you applying for another fellowship or grant in conjunction with this application? (Please indicate which source)	
6. Citizenship **Race and/or ethnicity [ ] Alaskan Native (Eskimo or Aleut)** **[ ] American Indian [ ] African-American [ ] Latino/Latina** **[ ] Native Pacific Islander (Polynesian or Micronesian)** **[ ] Other minority group (please specify)** **If you are not a U.S. citizen, are you a permanent resident? [ ] yes [ ] no**	
7. Current Position, title, and affiliation	
8. Major discipline (e.g., sociology, history, political science, etc.)	
9. Research specialty (e.g., homelessness, children-at-risk, etc.)	
10. Highest degree currently held, discipline, granting institution and date (if Ph.D. expected please indicate date)	

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11. Project title (20 words or less)

12. In this space provide an abstract of your project.

13. Anticipated starting date:_____
(not before July 1, 2003 and not after September 1, 2003).

Fellowship Period: One year [ ] Two years [ ]

14. List all schools attended above the secondary school level, most recent first.

Institution	*Dates Attended*	*Degree and Date*	*Major Field of Study*

15. List awards, academic or professional honors, and fellowships held.

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16. List no more than five articles, books, or other research you have written. (One sample of scholarly writing should be included with the application. Do not submit other pieces unless specifically requested.)

17. List all professional positions you have held, present position first.

Dates	*Employer*	*Position and nature of work*

18. List three persons to whom you are submitting a Reference Form.

Name	*Office Address*	*Telephone*	*FAX*	*Email*

Signature_____Date_____

Name(Typed)_____

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