



Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy

University of Missouri

Call for Applications: **Kinder Institute 2018-19 Oxford Fellowship Program** *Deadline: Friday, April 6, 2018*

Program Description

The Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy's Oxford Fellowship program offers the very best MU undergraduates the opportunity to spend a semester or year as a fully integrated, second-year visiting student of history at University of Oxford's Corpus Christi College, founded in 1517. The student or students selected to participate as an Oxford Fellow will have access to Corpus' history tutorial curriculum for second-years, and will be immersed in the rich traditions and scholarly activities of one of the globe's oldest and most distinguished universities.

Students are encouraged to apply to spend the entire academic year abroad, which would allow them to take the full four-tutorial sequence for second-year students with Corpus faculty members (one tutorial per term, plus one yearlong tutorial). Students can, however, apply only for the fall or spring semester. Students applying for the fall would attend Corpus' Michaelmas term (October 3 – December 2, 2018) at Oxford, while students applying for the spring would attend the Hilary (January 9 – March 9, 2019) and Trinity (April 24 – June 22, 2019) terms.

Application Eligibility & Materials

While rising juniors and seniors at the University of Missouri, regardless of academic major, are eligible to apply to the Oxford Fellows program, priority will be given to candidates whose application materials demonstrate a strong aptitude for the study of history.

To apply, please send unofficial undergraduate transcripts (through Fall 2017), a C.V., and a writing sample of 10-15 pages, ideally in history or a related discipline, to Kinder Institute Communications Associate Dr. Thomas Kane, KaneTC@missouri.edu, by Friday, April 6, 2018, at 5pm. In addition, applicants should have a full-time faculty member in the humanities or social sciences separately submit a letter of recommendation to Dr. Kane at the email address above.

Before their selection becomes official, students chosen as Oxford Fellows must also provide a letter from the Academic Advisor in their home department confirming that they will remain on the recommended timeline for graduation from MU if they participate in the program.

Review of applications will begin immediately, and interviews with finalists will be held no later than the last week of April. The inaugural Oxford Fellow or Fellows will be introduced at a reception on Friday, May 4, 2018.

General queries about applications can be sent to Dr. Kane at the email address above, and specific queries about the Oxford Fellows program and academic life at Corpus can be sent to Kinder Institute Chair in Constitutional Democracy and MU Professor of History Jay Sexton, SextonJ@missouri.edu.

Logistics

Students are required to pay their normal University of Missouri tuition for the semester or year that they are at Corpus as well as the standard Oxford rates for room and board. The Kinder Institute will provide a scholarship that covers all Oxford fees as well as the difference in tuition between attending MU and Oxford. Program participants will receive up to twelve (12) MU history credits per term.

Corpus Christi College's Brock Fellow in British History will be made available as a dedicated adviser to the student or students selected to participate in the Oxford Fellows program for the duration of their time abroad.