Call-for-Applications

Kinder Postdoctoral Fellow in American Political Thought & Constitutionalism

The Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy at the University of Missouri is currently accepting nominations and applications for a three-year Postdoctoral Fellowship in American Political Thought and Constitutionalism. Founded in 2014, the Kinder Institute is an interdisciplinary signature academic center at MU dedicated to excellence in research, teaching, and community engagement on the subject of American political thought, history, and institutions, with a particular emphasis on the ideas and events of the American Founding and their continued global impact and relevance today.

A Ph.D. in Political Science or Government is required by the time the fellowship begins in August 2021. Candidates’ work should align broadly with the Kinder Institute’s scholarly mission.

The Fellowship is a full-time position that comes with a competitive salary, university benefits, an office at the Kinder Institute, and dedicated funds for conference travel, research, and other professional expenses. Funds are also available to help offset moving costs. The Postdoctoral Fellow will teach two classes in the Fall 2021 semester and one class in the Spring 2022 semester, and the annual teaching load thereafter will remain 2-1. These may include a team-taught online section of Intro to U.S. Government, an in-person upper-division class on constitutional law, and one of the small, discussion-based seminars associated with the common curriculum for the new B.A. in Constitutional Democracy. See democracy.missouri.edu/undergraduate/ba for descriptions of these courses and more information about the new degree.

To apply, please submit the following materials: a letter of interest, research proposal, curriculum vitae, teaching evaluations (if available), and the names of two scholarly references. Applications and inquiries should be sent electronically to Kinder Institute Director and Professor of Political Science Justin Dyer, at dyerjb@missouri.edu, using “Kinder Postdoctoral Fellowship” in the subject line.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis and will continue until the position is filled.

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