

# Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy

## Postdoctoral Fellowship

The Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy at the University of Missouri invites applications for two postdoctoral fellowships in political science for researchers whose work examines the political thought and/or institutions of the United States.

Candidates' research areas might include the history of political thought (ancient or modern) and its connections to contemporary U.S. politics; indigenous political thought; constitutional law & theory; Black political thought; American political development; American political thought; and democratic theory. We also welcome applications from scholars whose research examines the political thought & institutions of the United States within a transatlantic context, refracted through multiple sovereignties.

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 have an annual teaching load of 2-1 or 1-2. These courses may include one of the small, discussion-based seminars associated with the common curriculum for the Kinder Institute's B.A. in Constitutional Democracy and a team-taught online section of American Government, an in-person upper division class on constitutional theory and development.

### **Qualifications**

Applicants should have a Ph.D. or an anticipated Ph.D. in Political Science or Government, completed by August 2024.

### **Application Requirements**

To apply, please submit the following materials:

1. A letter of interest;
2. a research proposal;
3. a curriculum vitae;

4. a statement of teaching
5. and the names of two scholarly references.

Applications and inquiries should be sent electronically to Kinder Institute Associate Director Carli Conklin at [conklinc@missouri.edu](mailto:conklinc@missouri.edu) using “Kinder Postdoctoral Fellowship” in the subject line.

Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Central Time on February 15, 2024.

**About the program:**

The Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy at the University of Missouri is an interdisciplinary, signature academic center on the Columbia campus, jointly operated by faculty from the Political Science and History Departments, in cooperation with other scholars across campus. It is dedicated to excellence in research, teaching, and community engagement on the subjects 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. It was created in 2015 by a generous gift from the Kinder Foundation, a family philanthropic foundation started by Rich and Nancy Kinder of Houston, Texas.

Learn more about the Kinder Institute at <https://democracy.missouri.edu>