Morgan–Menil Research Fellowship

Every other year, the Menil Drawing Institute and the Morgan Drawing Institute, New York will award one research fellowship of three to nine months to support independent projects on some aspect of the history, theory, interpretation, or cultural meaning of drawing throughout the history of art. Preference will be given to projects that would benefit from the resources of the Morgan Library & Museum and the Menil Collection.

Terms of Appointment

The Morgan-Menil Research Fellow is expected to spend part of the fellowship period in residence at the Morgan Library & Museum and another part at the Menil Collection. The majority of the Fellow’s time will be spent on the research project for which the fellowship is awarded, but the Fellow is expected to participate fully in the intellectual life of the Morgan and the Menil and to attend Drawing Institute programs during their tenure at each institution. The Fellow will make a presentation on their research during the time of the fellowship at both institutions. A stipend commensurate with experience will be paid during the course of the fellowship in monthly increments ranging between $3,880 and $5,100.

Application Process

Applicants are asked to submit the following:

- A cover letter addressing the applicant’s area of interest and expertise. The cover letter should also include a chronology specifying the desired length of the fellowship, and when the applicant would hope to be at each institution (the total duration of the fellowship is between 3 and 9 months during the academic year). If a fellowship is sought for a specific time (e.g. around a professor’s semester-long sabbatical), that should be clearly indicated in the letter.

- A curriculum vitae.

- A research proposal (maximum 3 pages, double-spaced) specifying what the applicant wishes to accomplish during the fellowship period. The proposal should detail how the project would benefit from the resources of the Morgan and the Menil.

- A writing sample, in English.

- Two letters from academic or professional references in support of the proposed project. For mid-career scholars, only one letter is required.

All application materials must be in English and should be submitted online: themorgan.org/opportunities/drawing-institute-application

Letters of reference should be emailed directly to: morganmenifellowship@themorgan.org

The application for the 2024–2025 Morgan-Menil Research Fellowship is due December 3, 2023. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Successful applicants will be notified by March 2024.