

Emeritus/Emerita Faculty Fellowship

2026-27 Call for Applications

The Eisenberg Institute for Historical Studies will award one Emeritus/Emerita Faculty Fellowship for the 2026-27 academic year. This fellowship is awarded on a competitive basis and is designed to facilitate research while engaging the recipient more directly in institute programs. This fellowship program has been funded by a generous gift from Kenneth and Frances Aftel Eisenberg.

Expectations: The recipient is expected to actively participate in institute events and may be asked to participate in Friday Workshop programs as a commentator and/or chair.

Award: The Emeritus/Emerita Faculty Fellowship term is one academic year. The fellowship includes a \$2,500 grant that can be taken as research money or used to help fund a one-day research workshop. These workshops may involve 1-2 external scholars plus U-M faculty and graduate students. Eisenberg fellows may also choose to workshop an article, chapter, or other project with the institute community during their fellowship term. The institute will provide funding for the workshop, along with staff logistical support. The Emeritus/Emerita Faculty Fellow is expected to discuss their plans for a workshop with the institute's Director and Manager at the beginning of their fellowship term.

Eligibility: The institute invites applications from faculty members holding emeritus/emerita titles in History from the University of Michigan (per standard practice guide number 201.80).

Evaluation Criteria: The Steering Committee will consider a number of factors when evaluating applications. These include how affiliation with the institute will help the applicant make significant progress on their research project and the extent to which the applicant has been involved with institute activities in recent years. We are particularly excited to support emeritus/emerita faculty whose projects are well along and who might be able to bring them to completion with a year's fellowship. Preference may be given to emeritus/emerita faculty who have not recently been awarded the Emeritus/Emerita Faculty Fellowship.

Application: The application consists of the following:

- A brief statement outlining current research interests and describing why affiliation with the institute might be particularly useful or interesting; please include a description of recent involvement in institute activity (300-500 words);
- A curriculum vitae.

Submit complete applications via email (eisenberginstitute@umich.edu) by February 13, 2026. Institute staff will confirm receipt.

Notification: Fellowship awards will be made by the institute's Steering Committee in March or April 2026. The institute will contact each applicant regarding the outcome of their application.