

**BROWN BAG TALKS:** Since the inception of the weekly Brown Bag Colloquium Series, literally hundreds of Wayne State humanities and arts faculty and students have participated either as speakers or as members of the audience. Each new year brings an increase in the number of faculty volunteering to present talks. As a result, the Center now regularly hosts about 60 talks each academic year. During the 2015-2016 academic year the talks will be held mainly on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Brown Bag talks are free and open to the public.

**HUMANITIES CENTER DOCTORAL DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP:** The Humanities Center and the Graduate School are proud to continue their collaboration on funding a Humanities Center Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship. This annual fellowship will award \$15,000 to a humanities or arts doctoral candidate in the final stages of writing his/her dissertation. The fellowship also includes University health insurance coverage during the winter and spring/summer semesters. The applicant must already be in the process of writing the dissertation and must complete all requirements, including the final defense, by the end of the Spring/Summer Semester 2016 or shortly thereafter. Up to three smaller awards of \$500 each can be made at the discretion of the sponsors. The fellowship award will be dispensed as monthly stipends between January and August. **Deadline: October 21, 2016**

**FACULTY FELLOWSHIPS:** The Faculty fellowship competition is based on an annual theme. The Humanities Center's Advisory Board selects the theme and prepares an explication for our Faculty Fellowship Competition. Awarded Fellowships now average \$6,000 and recipients are expected to participate in the annual Faculty Fellows Conference held in the spring of the following year. This year's theme is *Revolution*. **Deadline: April 14, 2017**

**FACULTY FELLOWSHIP CONFERENCE:** The Faculty Fellows Conference is held in the winter semester. Internal Faculty Fellows Conference speakers are the recipients of fellowships in the previous year. The conference allows the fellowship recipients to present the results of their funded work and to receive feedback from the audience. In addition to fellowship recipients from WSU, the Center invites a distinguished keynoter who is an expert in the area addressed by the theme. The 2016 conference will be held on **Friday, April 8th**. The theme is *Exploring the Everyday*.

**FALL SYMPOSIUM:** The Fall Symposium is held once a year in the fall. It focuses on a topic of contemporary significance in the humanities and arts. Internal and external speakers are chosen from abstracts submitted to the Center's Advisory Board. In addition, the Center invites distinguished keynoters who are experts in the area addressed by the theme. This year's symposium theme is *Ideology*.

**MARILYN WILLIAMSON ENDOWED DISTINGUISHED FACULTY FELLOWSHIP:** Thanks to a generous endowment provided by the former WSU Provost Marilyn L. Williamson, the Humanities Center offers an annual Distinguished Faculty Fellowship to tenured faculty (associate and full professors) in the humanities. The award of this single \$20,000 fellowship is based on the merit of the individual research project proposed for the fellowship term; on the exceptional contribution the proposed project will make to the humanities and its potential for scholarly recognition and publication, exhibition or performance; and on two external recommendations in support of the project. The endowment provides funds to offer two fellowships every third year. Consistent with the mission of the Humanities Center, interdisciplinary proposals are particularly encouraged, although all distinguished projects in the humanities will be fully considered. The fellowship recipient is asked to share results of the funded research in an award lecture organized during the year of (or following) the fellowship term. **Deadline: February 24, 2017**

**RESIDENT SCHOLARS PROGRAM:** One of the Center's oldest programs, the Resident Scholars Program is open to all full-time faculty in the humanities, arts, and related disciplines. This program provides office space, basic office equipment, and administrative support from the Center's staff. Additionally, monthly "roundtable" meetings allow our residents to discuss their current research in an engaging interdisciplinary environment. Resident Scholars are also eligible for up to \$800 in support for travel and equipment expenses, or to pay for research assistance. **Deadline: July 7, 2017**

**TRAVEL AWARD PROGRAM FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS:** The Center budgets up to \$3,000 a year to support this program. In an effort to spread this funding across the full academic year, the Center budgets \$1,200 for the Fall Semester, \$1,200 for the Winter Semester and \$600 for the Spring/Summer Semester. Each award recipient is funded up to \$300 for travel to conferences or exhibitions held nationally or internationally between **September 1, 2016** and **August 15, 2017**.

**WORKING GROUPS IN THE HUMANITIES AND ARTS:** The Working Groups program is designed to promote collaborative and innovative research among WSU humanities and arts faculty and students. Groups typically include faculty from different fields as well as graduate students. Working Groups meet regularly for discussion, exchange, and planning for events such as guest lectures and colloquia. The Center will support up to five working groups making available a maximum of \$800.00 each for three new groups and \$600 each for two continuing groups for the 2015-2016 academic year. **Deadline: September 30, 2016**

