

NEW SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON DEPARTMENTS OF ENGLISH AND COMPARATIVE CULTURAL STUDIES ANNOUNCE INSTITUTE FOR WORLD LITERATURE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2013 - 2014

Working in collaboration, the Departments of English and Comparative Cultural Studies, share institutional membership of the Institute for World Literature. Each year, the Institute offers an advanced, month-long seminar for advanced graduate students and for faculty. Institutional members are guaranteed space for two participants. The Institute and its summer program “provide faculty and graduate students the opportunity to come together to explore the theory and practice of teaching and studying world literature.” The Institute will hold its fourth summer school session from June 23 through July 17, 2014, at City University of Hong Kong (for more information, go to www.iwl.fas.harvard.edu).

The Departments of English and Comparative Cultural Studies are pleased to provide up to two competitive **Institute for World Literature Scholarships** worth up to of \$2,000 (budget permitting) to assist advanced graduate students with costs of airfare, tuition, and accommodation.

About the Award: The University of Houston’s Institute for World Literature Scholarship provides financial support to send two scholars to the Institute’s summer seminar to explore the theory and practice of teaching and studying world literature.

- **Eligibility:** Advanced graduate students from the Departments of Comparative Cultural Studies and English who are engaged in research and teaching in aspects of World Literature as described on the Institute’s website; and advanced graduate students developing curricula and planning to teach in World Literature.
- **The Scholarship:** The amount of the award will vary each year depending on the location of the summer seminars. The awards are meant to help defray costs of travel, registration, accommodation, and living expenses. Awards for the 2014 University of Houston Scholarship for the Institute of World Literature seminar at the City University of Hong Kong will be \$2,000.
 - ◆ The award is intended to cover the cost of tuition for the Institute’s Summer Seminar (\$900), and \$1,100 to assist with airfare, and accommodation. Award winners are required to be in residence at the host university. The \$900 tuition cost is paid directly by the participating departments.
 - ◆ Applicants should be aware that the total cost of the four week program may exceed the amount of the award. Students should determine if the award will affect their financial aid package.
- **Application Guidelines:** Applications are due no later than 30 January 2014. They should be sent, either in hard copy or electronically, to Ms. Judy Calvez, Department of English, 205 Roy Cullen (jcalvez@uh.edu). Applications should include:

- ◆ A letter of application, no longer than two pages, stating how your research and teaching engage aspects of world literature; how you think the summer seminar will advance your research projects and teaching or course development.
- ◆ A current *curriculum vitae*.
- ◆ The name of their thesis or dissertation advisor, or a faculty member we can contact and who is familiar with your work in world literature.
- **Selection Procedures and Criteria:** A selection committee comprising three senior faculty members will review the applications. The committee will consider such factors as:
 - ◆ The letter of application and the appropriateness of the research and teaching activities that it describes for the seminar's goals of "exploring the theory and practice of teaching and studying world literature."
 - ◆ Evidence of active scholarly and curricular interest in the study and teaching of world literature, as demonstrated in the applicant's letter and *curriculum vitae*.
 - ◆ The assessment of the applicant's research and teaching in the field by their faculty referee.