

## **Anthropology Funding Opportunities**

Anthropologists often apply for grants, internships and fellowships to help them conduct their research. This process often begins while they are students. These funding sources help pay for them to travel and conduct their research as well as writing their reports and presenting their conclusions. Below is a link to the American Anthropological Association's Grant and Fellowship website as well as a sample from the site of the types of funding opportunities that are available for both students and professional anthropologists. These also indicate the types of research that is part of contemporary anthropological work both nationally and internationally.

### **Anthropological Grants and Fellowships**

<http://www.americananthro.org/AdvanceYourCareer/Content.aspx?ItemNumber=2208&navItemNumber=799>

This link at the American Anthropological Association provides many international and national grants, internships, scholarships, fellowships and other funding sources and opportunities for those studying and working in anthropology.

#### **Some examples include:**

##### **International Grants and Fellowships**

###### [American Academy in Rome](#)

Rome Prize fellowships are designed for emerging artists and for scholars in the early or middle stages of their careers. In the case of scholars, preference will be given to applicants for whom research time in Italy, and especially in the city of Rome, is essential, and who have not had extensive prior experience there.

###### [American Institute of Indian Studies](#)

A cooperative, non-profit organization of seventy-eight American colleges and universities that supports the advancement of knowledge and understanding of India, its people and culture.

###### [The American Institute of Iranian Studies \(AllrS\)](#)

AllrS seeks to support the advancement of knowledge and understanding of Iran and Iranian culture and civilization from the earliest periods to the present. The Institute's purview comprises the historical Iranian world of Central Asia, the Middle East and South Asia as well as the modern political state of Iran. The Institute also works with Iranian humanists and social scientists to promote and facilitate their research in the United States. AllrS offers fellowships.

###### [Archaeological Institute of America](#)

The AIA offers six fellowships for travel and study to deserving scholars. Fellowships are open to members of the Archaeological Institute of America.

###### [Crane-Rogers Foundation – Institute of Current World Affairs](#)

Target of Opportunity Fellowships (for Study Outside the USA)

The primary purpose of the institute is to provide talented individuals an opportunity to develop a deep understanding of an issue, country, or region outside the United States and to share that understanding with interested segments of the English-speaking public. Areas of particular interest to the Institute include Burma, India, Iran, North Africa, Russia, Venezuela, and Southeast Asia, but candidates may seek fellowships in any country.

## **Fulbright Scholar Programs**

### [Traditional Fulbright Scholar Program](#)

The traditional Fulbright Scholar Program sends 800 U.S. faculty and professionals abroad each year. Grantees lecture and conduct research in a wide variety of academic and professional fields. It is sponsored by the United States Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Under a cooperative agreement with the Bureau, the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) assists in the administration of the Fulbright Scholar Program for faculty and professionals.

### [Richard Gilder Graduate School](#) At the American Museum of Natural History

The American Museum of Natural History (AMNH) is a leader in the education and training of young scientists in the natural history disciplines represented in this institution. Our fellowship programs provide training in the fields of anthropology, invertebrate zoology, paleontology (paleo-zoology), physical sciences (astrophysics and earth and planetary sciences), and vertebrate zoology.

### [Social Science Research Council](#)

SSRC fellowship and grant programs provide support and professional recognition to innovators within fields, and especially to younger researchers whose work and ideas will have longer-term impact on society and scholarship. These programs often target the spaces between disciplines, where new perspectives emerge and struggle for acceptance, thus ensuring the production of knowledge and expertise on key topics, regions, and social challenges.

### [Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research](#)

The Foundation supports significant and innovative anthropological research into humanity's biological and cultural origins, development and variation and to foster the creation of an international community of research scholars in anthropology. The Foundation provides a variety of grants to support individual research, collaborative projects, conferences and training fellowships.

## **National Fellowships**

### [AAA Minority Dissertation Fellowship](#)

The American Anthropological Association invites minority doctoral candidates in anthropology to apply for a dissertation writing fellowship.

### [American Association of University Women \(AAUW\)](#)

One of the world's largest sources of funding exclusively for graduate women, the AAUW Educational Foundation supports aspiring scholars around the globe, teachers and activists in local communities, women at critical stages of their careers, and those pursuing professions where women are underrepresented.

### [American Association for the Advancement of Science](#)

For over three decades the AAAS Science & Technology Fellowships have provided scientists and engineers with unique opportunity to apply their knowledge and skills to national and international issues in the federal policy realm, while learning first-hand about establishing and implementing policy.

### [Leakey Foundation](#)

The Leakey Foundation was formed to foster research into human origins. Recent priorities

include research into the environment, archeology, and human paleontology of the Miocene, Pliocene, and Pleistocene; the behavior, morphology, and ecology of the great apes and other primate species; and the behavioral ecology of contemporary hunter-gatherers. Other areas of study have been funded occasionally.

#### [National Center for Human Genome Research \(NCHGR\)](#)

NHGRI solicits grant applications that relate to its scientific priorities and research interests. NHGRI welcomes innovative research proposals and encourages investigators with novel ideas to discuss potential applications with program staff and submit these applications for competitive review. Investigator-initiated research proposals follow the NIH standard schedule [grants.nih.gov] for submission, review and award.

#### [National Science Foundation](#)

The National Science Foundation (NSF) is an independent federal agency created by Congress "to promote the progress of science; to advance the national health, prosperity, and welfare; to secure the national defense..." With an annual budget of about \$6.06 billion, they are the funding source for approximately 20 percent of all federally supported basic research conducted by America's colleges and universities.

#### [Society for American Archaeology](#)

The Native American Scholarships Fund is an endowment established to foster a sense of shared purpose and positive interaction between archaeologists and Native Americans.

#### [U.S. Institute of Peace](#)

Jennings Randolph Senior Fellowship

The Jennings Randolph (JR) Program for International Peace awards approximately ten residential Senior Fellowships each year for outstanding scholars, practitioners, policymakers, journalists, and other professionals to conduct research on peace, conflict and international security in Washington D.C. Applications are due on September 8.

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