

The DIANA L. BENNETT
FELLOWS PROGRAM
at the BLACK MOUNTAIN INSTITUTE

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Diana L. Bennett Fellows Program at UNLV's Beverly Rogers, Carol C. Harter Black Mountain Institute (BMI) offers one- and two-semester fellowships for the academic year 2017-18. The Bennett Fellows Program comprises two types of fellowships: *Bennett Fellows* (occasionally named in honor of individual donors) spend the duration of their fellowships at BMI in Las Vegas; *Kluge Fellows* divide their time between BMI and the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. One fellowship position per year, of either type, is reserved for an international writer.

CRITERIA

BMI awards fellowships to outstanding writers in any genre who have published **at least one critically acclaimed book** available in English before the time of application. Applicants must have an ongoing project that would benefit from a period of sustained immersion, and some preference is given to candidates whose work ranges away from the American experience and into international terrain. Visit our website to see a listing of past fellows.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Fellows receive a **\$30,000 stipend per semester (up to \$60,000 for two semesters)**, a computer-equipped office, and access to UNLV's Lied Library. Bennett Fellows (*Kluge Fellows, see below*) remain in residence at BMI for the duration of the fellowship term and work daily at the institute. Fellows are expected to attend BMI activities and must make themselves available, on occasion, as visitors to UNLV graduate classes in fields related to their work.

KLUGE FELLOWSHIP IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

BMI offers one fellowship in conjunction with the John W. Kluge Center at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., to a candidate whose work would be enhanced by access to the nation's largest research library. Kluge Fellows typically spend the fall (September to mid-December) at the Library of Congress and the spring (late-January to mid-May) at BMI. Applicants must make their preference for this fellowship known on page two of the application and must include a special project description (instructions on page three).

INTERNATIONAL WRITERS

BMI reserves one fellowship for an international writer working in any language who also has a proficiency in English and at least one book available in English. Applicants must indicate their international status (defined as holding non-U.S. or dual citizenship) on page two of this application. International writers are eligible for both Bennett and Kluge fellowships.

DEADLINES

Application deadline: **October 15, 2016** / Notification of selection results: March 2017

MATERIALS — SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

- Application form and list of recommenders
- Curriculum vitae
- Research proposal
- One published book (in English)

Submit one electronic copy of application materials (excluding book) at blackmountaininstitute.org.

Mail one hard copy of application materials and book to:

BLACK MOUNTAIN INSTITUTE
BOX 455085
4505 S. MARYLAND PARKWAY
LAS VEGAS, NV 89154-5085

Application Form, 2017 - 2018

CONTACT INFORMATION

Last Name		First	Middle (if applicable)
Address Line 1 (Street address)		Address Line 2 (Apartment, suite, unit, etc.)	
City	State/Province/Region	ZIP/Postal code	Country
Date of birth		Citizenship	

EMPLOYMENT

Title			
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E-mail			

FELLOWSHIP PREFERENCE

- Bennett Fellowship (*entire residency at BMI*)
 Kluge Fellowship (*residency divided between BMI and Library of Congress*)

** If you wish to be considered for both the Bennett and Kluge fellowships, please check both boxes.*

ARE YOU AN INTERNATIONAL WRITER?

- Yes, I hold non-U.S. or dual citizenship
 No, I am an American citizen

TIME PREFERENCE

Applicants for Bennett Fellowships, please indicate your availability and preference for fellowship timing and duration. Traditionally, the fellowship has run the entire academic year, but accommodations have been made in the past for fellows only available a single semester:

- I'm available and prefer a fellowship for the entire academic year
 I prefer a fellowship for a single semester (please indicate)
 Fall 2017
 Spring 2018

** The Kluge Fellowship is only available to applicants available for an entire academic year, for fall residency at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., and for spring residence at BMI in Las Vegas.*

TITLE OF BOOK SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION

FIELD OF RESEARCH

- Fiction Poetry General nonfiction Philosophy or Religion
 Art History Politics Other _____

RESEARCH/PROJECT PROPOSAL

With your application, please include a two- to three-page typed, double-spaced proposal that describes the work you intend to undertake at Black Mountain Institute and its relevance to the program's international focus.

Kluge Applicants: Please include a description of how your project would benefit from a residency at the John W. Kluge Center. Clearly state which print resources *unique to the Library of Congress* would be essential to your project. Applicants are encouraged to use the "Ask a Librarian" feature on the Library of Congress website for more information: www.loc.gov/rr/askalib.

TITLE AND BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF PROJECT

MAJOR GRANTS AND AWARDS

HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT THE DIANA L. BENNETT FELLOWS PROGRAM?

- Ad / *New York Review of Books* Ad / *Los Angeles Review of Books* From a current/past fellow
 Ad / *Poets & Writers* Newspaper/magazine article Web search
 Ad / *London Review of Books* Other _____

List of Recommenders

Please provide information for three recommenders we may contact concerning your application. We will ask them to comment not only on your past work, but on your current project, its significance, and your qualifications for completing it, as well as on your ability to work in a central location (the BMI offices), your collegiality, and your willingness to take part in required activities. *Recommenders do not need to provide information unless contacted, and not all recommenders will be contacted.*

NAME OF APPLICANT

Last Name	First	Middle
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RECOMMENDERS

Full Name	Title
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