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New Fellows Named for 2022 WW Dissertation Fellowship in Women's Studies

Promising Scholars Join Program That Has Built Field Over Five Decades

PRINCETON, NJ (Thursday, March 17, 2022)—Eight promising scholars have been named WW Dissertation Fellows in Women's Studies for 2022 by the Institute for Citizens & Scholars. Fellows in the 2022 class are completing their dissertations and studies at some of the nation's top institutions. They are working in departments such as political science, sociology, anthropology, history, and public policy.

Since 1974, the WW Women's Studies Fellowship program has supported outstanding humanities and social science Ph.D. candidates whose work address women's and gendered issues in interdisciplinary and original ways. Each Fellow receives a \$5,000 stipend to use towards research related expenses such as travel, data work or collection, supplies, and others.

These eight scholars join an international network of WW Women's Studies Fellows who have become distinguished faculty members, artists and novelists, and leaders in business, government, and the nonprofit sector. They include a Pulitzer Prize winner, two MacArthur Fellows, numerous Guggenheim and Fulbright Fellows, and many others who have contributed greatly to their fields of study.

This competitive Fellowship program remains the only national program of its kind. Over the course of its 47-year history, the WW Women's Studies Dissertation Fellowship has named more than 600 Fellows. A number of these Fellows volunteer their time as reviewers to help select new Women's Studies Fellows and enthusiastically support the next generation of scholars in their fields.

As the program approaches its 50th anniversary, Citizens & Scholars is currently seeking major donations to sustain and refresh the Fellowship. Visit citizensandscholars.org/sustain-ws/ to learn more and give online at http://ctzn-schlr.org/give-WS. If you would like to discuss potential funders or funding commitments, please contact Beverly Sanford, Vice President and Secretary, at sanford@citizensandscholars.org.

More information about the WW Dissertation Fellowship in Women's Studies can be found online at https://woodrow.org/fellowships/womens-studies/.

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About the Institute for Citizens & Scholars

The Institute for Citizens & Scholars (citizensandscholars.org) is a 77-year-old organization that has played a significant role in shaping higher education. Now, with an expanded mission Citizens & Scholars prepares leaders and engages networks of people and organizations to meet urgent education challenges. The overarching goal is to shape an informed, productively engaged, and hopeful citizenry.



The 2022 WW Women's Studies Fellows

Janice Feng • University of Michigan, political science and political theory

The Cultivation of Desire and Indigenous Women's Self-Making and Resistance in Early Modern French North America This dissertation explores how the cultivation of desire was instrumental to both settler-colonial founding and consolidation that took place through the pacification and domestication of Indigenous women's bodies, and Indigenous women's self-making and resistance in early modern period French settler colonial rule in Québec and the Great Lakes area.

Chloé Samala Faux • Columbia University, anthropology

Valuations of Black Life in Death: Risking an Ethics of Care

This dissertation explores the historical and emergent dilemmas of black reproductivity in post-apartheid South Africa.

Pallavi Gupta • University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, geography

Visible Cleanliness, Invisible Cleaners: Examining Gender, Caste, Waste, and Space in the Railway Stations of Hyderabad, India.

This dissertation centers the experiences of cleaning workers to explore the politics of cleanliness in railway stations, in India.

Erin R. Johnson • University of California - San Francisco, sociology

Access and Advocacy: Examining the Practices, Partnerships and Philosophies of Abortion Funds Under Stress
This dissertation focuses on how communities organize through abortion funds and their partners to resist anti-abortion legislation.

Kimberly V. Jones • Rice University, history

Critical Bodies: Gender, Disability and Slavery in Early Republic Virginia

This dissertation attends to the experiences of disabled enslaved people in Virginia.

Nora Kassner • University of California, Santa Barbara, history

Hard to Place: Oueer Foster Families and the Remaking of U.S. Family Policy, 1975-1996

This dissertation focuses on the impact of queer foster parents on U.S. family policy in the 1970s-1990s.

Sophie M. Morse • University of Texas at Austin, public policy

Implementing Policies Addressing Violence Against Women in the Mexican Health System

This dissertation explores the implementation of policies that address violence against women in Mexico, specifically focusing on the health system.

Paulina A. Rodríguez • Pennsylvania State University, history and women's, gender, and sexuality studies Deportistas! Mexican Women, Sporting Citizenship, and Belonging in Twentieth Century America

This dissertation explores the history of sportswomen of Mexican ancestry in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands and beyond.