DISSERTATION YEAR FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION  

To encourage historical scholarship of the public career of Harry S. Truman or the Truman era, the Truman Library Institute will annually give financial support to one or two graduate students who have completed the dissertation research and are at the writing stage. This fellowship is intended to free a doctoral student from teaching or other employment to facilitate completion of his or her dissertation. Preference will be given to projects based on extensive research at the Truman Library, but since the research is presumed to be complete, there is no requirement of residence at the Library during the fellowship year.

The fellowship award of $16,000 is payable in two installments, September and January. Completed applications should be submitted to the Committee no later than February 1; the Committee's decision will be announced in the first week of May. The Committee reserves the right to withhold the making of any award if the quality of the applications does not justify it.

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Last Name: ____________________________ First Name: ____________________________ M.I.: ________

Social Security Number: ____________________________ Date of Birth: ____________________________

Applicant's Citizenship (please check): ___ United States ___ Other: ____________________________

Mailing Address: ________________________________________________________________
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Contact Phone: ____________________________ Email: ____________________________

Employment – Current Position or Occupation: ________________________________________________

Educational Record (include year degree awarded and name of college or university):

  Undergraduate degree: ________________________________________________________________

  Master's degree: ________________________________________________________________

  Ph.D. program / University: __________________________________________________________

  Course work completed: ____ Yes ____ No  Comprehensive passed: ____ Yes ____ No

Date of expected degree completion: ____________________________

Dissertation Advisor: ________________________________________________________________

Title of Dissertation: ________________________________________________________________
Please include the following as attachments:

- Curriculum vita
- The dissertation prospectus or introduction, which should explain the significance of the project and its relationship to the existing historiography (10 pages maximum; double spaced, 12-point font);
- Tentative time schedule for completion of project;
- Two letters of reference from persons (including the dissertation advisor) familiar with the applicant’s performance at the doctoral level; letters should be sent directly to the Grants Administrator before the February 1st deadline. Reference letters will be accepted via e-mail if sent directly to Grants Administrator from referring individuals;
- A policy statement from the dean or department chair stating the university’s intent to not deduct student fees, tuition and health insurance premiums from the Truman Library Institute’s $16,000 fellowship but insure, nonetheless, that they are provided to the award winner.

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If awarded a Dissertation Year Fellowship by the Harry S. Truman Library Institute, I agree to submit a brief report on the work done under the fellowship to the Grants Administrator no later than six months after expiration of the award. I also agree to deposit one copy of my completed and accepted dissertation (or any publication resulting therefrom) with the Harry S. Truman Library. Acceptance of a competing fellowship or large grant is allowed with the stipulations that the terms of the competing fellowship or grant cannot include teaching responsibilities and the combined total of both the Truman Library Institute Dissertation Year Fellowship and a second fellowship or grant cannot exceed $25,000.

Applicant’s Signature: ___________________________________ Date: __________________________

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