



The Bill and Carol Fox Center
for Humanistic Inquiry
Emory University

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DISTINGUISHED VISITING PROFESSORSHIP PROGRAM

Emory College and the Fox Center for Humanistic Inquiry offer the FCHI Distinguished Visiting Professorship (DVP) Program, scheduled for alternate years, to bring to Emory an eminent humanities scholar with an international reputation in interdisciplinary research for a semester in residence in a humanities department or program as a FCHI Fellow, to teach, do research, present public lectures and discussions, and participate in the intellectual life of the Center.

The DVP can be used to assemble stellar semester-long configurations in areas of strength at Emory, or to offer coverage in disciplines that we seek to build or in emerging fields of interdisciplinary endeavor in which we have not yet made appointments. The presence of a DVP is an exciting opportunity for multifaceted intellectual discussions, as departments can develop programming that leads to and extends beyond the residency of the DVP.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DISTINGUISHED VISITING PROFESSOR

- **Residency:** up to one semester; minimum, a continuous six-week period;
- **Teaching:** lead a graduate or undergraduate course;
- **Discussion:** attend weekly FCHI Fellows' Luncheons while in residence;
- **Lecture:** deliver a campus-wide presentation;
- **Undergraduate Students:** hold meetings with undergraduate Honors students and other interested groups of undergraduates;
- **Graduate Students:** participate in a FCHI Interdisciplinary Research Seminar for faculty and graduate students (CHIIRS meet once monthly).

Additional activities are encouraged, and could include roundtable dinners; meeting with small groups of faculty, students, and community members; and guest lecturing in relevant courses.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE HOST DEPARTMENT

The host department will be responsible for academic and social support as well as maintenance of the DVP during the semester in residence. Specifically, host departments will be in charge of:

- Locating housing;
- Organizing the course and CHIIRS seminar;
- Arranging for local transportation;
- Planning entertainment;
- Providing a student assistant to be assigned to the DVP during the residency.

BUDGET

A budget of \$65,000 total will be available to the host department. This amount supports the FCHI DVP's salary and fringe benefits (26% of salary), housing and transportation expenses, student assistant expenses, and departmental expenses associated with the residency. Regardless of length of stay, salary must include fringe (for example: \$40,000 in salary would require \$10,400 in fringe benefits).

APPLICATION PROCESS

Departments, Programs, or other units wishing to host a FCHI DVP should submit an Application Form including the name of the Emory faculty member primarily responsible for the visit, a letter of endorsement signed by all supporting units, a complete vita of the proposed DVP, and a Budget Worksheet. Application Forms and Budget Worksheets are available from the FCHI. Applications involving more than two units are especially encouraged. ***Please note that the host department(s) or program(s) should have already contacted the proposed DVP to confirm interest and availability during the 2009-2010 academic year.***

The letter should present the case for the scholarly eminence of the proposed candidate, the interdisciplinary nature of his or her work, and the level and probable topic of the course. Potential contributions of the proposed DVP to the various units involved, including the FCHI and other parts of the University if relevant, should be made clear. Since the DVP will also function as a FCHI Fellow, collegiality is a desirable quality. If the proposed FCHI DVP will be in residence for less than a semester, the letter should indicate how the responsibilities associated with the position will be covered for the entire period.

In addition, the host unit(s) should submit a budget including expenses for the residency, salary, and fringe (the entire budgetary proposal should total no more than \$65,000). If the entire budget exceeds \$65,000, the department should identify all sources for the additional funding and include letters of support from these sources.

For an appointment during academic year 2009-2010, DVP applications are due to the FCHI on 14 December 2007; a decision will be made by the DVP Selection Committee by mid-February 2008. The Selection Committee is comprised of members of the FCHI Executive Committee, the Humanities Council, and Emory College Administration.

For the next cycle, applications will be due on 14 December 2007 for residency during the 2009-2010 academic year.

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