



DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Do I need to be a U.S. citizen to apply? *No.*
- Do I need to be registered in a U.S. university to apply? *No, but a different process applies if you are registered at a university located in Latin America or in China (see <http://www.lincolninst.edu/research-data/research> for more information).*
- Must the dissertation be restricted to cases in the U.S.? *No. Research may focus on the U.S. or other industrial or developing countries.*
- Do you fund students working on their Master's thesis? *No, this RFP is restricted to doctoral students at the dissertation-writing stage of their studies.*
- How many fellowships will you grant? *In 2021 we will award two fellowships of \$10,000 each.*
- Is there a desired format to follow when composing the five-page project description? *No.*
- How detailed should the five-page project description be? *Whatever best conveys the intent of your proposal.*
- Should the five-page project description include a budget? *No.*
- Can I include more pages for a bibliography and references? *Yes, you may add up to two pages for a bibliography and/or references pertaining to your project description.*
- Must all submissions be electronic? *Yes. Please email your proposal as a single, complete Microsoft Word attachment to fellowships@lincolninst.edu with your last name followed by your first name in the subject line. No PDF, JPEG, or TIFF formats accepted.*
- Must all submissions be in Microsoft Word? *Yes. We will **not** accept other formats, such as PDF files. Only letters of support from advisors may be submitted in PDF format.*
- Must I also mail a hard copy of the proposal? *No*
- What is the format for the letter of support from my advisor? *The letter must be on university letterhead and signed by your advisor, scanned, and emailed by him or her as a PDF or Microsoft Word attachment, by March 19, 2021 – 6:00 p.m. (EST), to fellowships@lincolninst.edu, with your last name followed by your first name in the subject line. Do not mail a hard copy.*
- Can I make changes to a section of my proposal after having sent it in? *Only if you do so before the deadline for submission of proposals and only if you send a complete revised version that will replace the original one. Isolated sections will not be considered.*
- Does the proposal deadline refer to the sending date or the date of receipt of the email by the Institute? *Date of receipt by the Institute: March 19, 2021 – 6:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time).*
- Will you acknowledge receipt of my application? *Yes, all applications will be acknowledged when they are processed.*
- When will I know whether my dissertation has been selected for funding or not? *We will notify all applicants by May 14, 2021.*
- Can I get feedback on the substance of my proposal if it is not selected? *No. This is a competitive process, and proposals are examined by a review committee but we do not offer comments on the content of proposals that are not selected for funding.*

If you have other questions regarding the Guidelines for the C. Lowell Harriss Dissertation Fellowship Program, please send an email to fellowships@lincolninst.edu.