We are now accepting applications for our 2020 Library Scholars Awards. The aim of these programs is to support outstanding researchers working on projects related to plants, gardens and landscapes, and who wish to further their careers and projects with a period of dedicated research utilizing the resources at the Oak Spring Garden Foundation.

The Awards

Our major Library Scholars Award is the Stacy Lloyd III Fellowship for Bibliographic Study – a $10,000 grant and two-week residency for one awardee on mutually agreeable dates in 2020. Applicants can also elect to be considered for the Researchers in Residence Program (RiR) – a $750 grant as part of a one-to-two week residency during periods determined by the Oak Spring Garden Foundation. All awardees are provided housing accommodation and business-hour access to the materials and study spaces in the Oak Spring Garden Library. Transportation to/from Washington, D.C. is the responsibility of the applicant. Oak Spring will arrange and pay for ground transportation to/from Oak Spring (from either Dulles Airport or Union Station). View the Guide to Exploring the OGSL Collection to see if our Library materials resonate with your work.

Eligibility

All applicants for the Stacy Lloyd III Fellowship for Bibliographic Study must be a current candidate for a degree or have graduated within the last five years, and be currently engaged in research that would be facilitated by access to the Oak Spring Garden Library collection. Applicants for the RiR are not required to have any academic affiliation. The awardees must be available (and have their own visa, if a non-resident/citizen) for a residency on the Oak Spring estate in the Virginia Piedmont region.

Application Process

To begin your application, please create a profile and log in to our OSGF Applicant Portal at osgf.force.com/grantee/. Once you are logged in, select “Explore Grant Opportunities” in the upper left and select “2020 Library Scholars Application.” You will be prompted to submit:

i) a resume/curriculum vitae,
ii) a short description of how the Oak Spring Garden Library collection is related to and will contribute to your research, and
iii) any and all relevant links/uploads to/of writing samples/research outputs.

Applicants are expected to show exceptional promise, excellence in research, and good communication skills. The awardees will be selected by a panel of distinguished administrators, scholars, or practitioners with relevant experience and/or knowledge. You may encounter errors in creating an application profile if you use Safari as your web browser. Please try using a different web browser, and if you continue to encounter issues, try clearing your cache. Deadline for receipt of applications is August 11th at midnight EST. Our goal is to notify all applicants on the status of our selections by mid-November 2019.

Other Awards

If you want an opportunity to advance your work but our Library Scholars Awards are not relevant to you, consider one of our other awards below and visit www.OSGF.org/opportunities to learn more.

Fellowships for scholars or practitioners working in organismal plant science or plant conservation who are completing a writing project.
www.OSGF.org/writers