

SRI Foundation
ANNOUNCEMENT
Second Annual Research Scholarship - 2008

Purpose of Scholarship

SRI Foundation (SRIF) Research Recipients will receive a scholarship of \$10,000.00. The research scholarship will be awarded annually to a Ph.D. candidate in anthropology, history, architecture, or similar field related to historic preservation. In 2007, we awarded one scholarship; this year our intent is to make two awards.

The goal of this scholarship is to provide academic opportunities through which the research potential of historic preservation projects and programs can be realized. Under this scholarship program, scholars are to use data from one or more **completed** historic preservation projects to pursue a substantive research topic that forms the basis of a doctoral dissertation. Additionally, a product or products that enhance the general public's knowledge and appreciation of the past must be developed. Scholarship recipients will disseminate the results of their efforts to others in their field of study and to the interested public.

Eligibility

An applicant for the research scholarship must be: (1) enrolled in an accredited, academic program leading to a doctoral degree in anthropology, history, architecture, or similar field related to historic preservation, (2) admitted to candidacy for Ph.D., and (3) passed his or her qualifying examinations and achieved ABD (All But Dissertation) status.

Application and Award Process

The SRIF Executive Director will announce the scholarship by November 8, 2007. Announcements (and the application form) will be posted on SRIF's web site and will also be sent to universities with relevant Ph.D. programs. Applications will be accepted until Friday, February 1, 2008 (Copy of application is attached). The SRIF Scholarship Review Committee will review the applications and prepare their recommendations by February 28, 2008. The SRIF Review Board's recommendations will be submitted to the SRIF Board of Directors and discussed during the spring 2008 Board meeting. The SRIF Executive Director will then notify the winning applicant. Scholarship funds will then be released by May 1, 2008.

Application Review Process

Selection criteria for this scholarship are as follows:

- How the proposal contributes new knowledge and appreciation of the past
- How the proposal addresses gaps in our understanding of the past
- Whether the proposal is feasible in terms of approach, time, and resources to meet the proposal's objectives
- How the proposal's products benefit the general public
- How the results of this research will be disseminated to professionals and the general public

Applicants also most demonstrate the following:

- An outstanding academic record
- Ability to complete research projects in a timely manner
- Ability to write articles, reports, and other documents that would be accepted by peer reviewers

A copy of the application and details concerning the application process, required deliverables, distribution of scholarship funds, and example projects can be found on the SRI Foundation website: <http://www.srifoundation.org>. See **Educational Opportunities and Resources**.

The SRIF Scholarship Review Committee is chaired by the SRIF Director of Preservation Research and consists of a minimum of two outside reviewers. The Committee will review all applications (see Research Proposal Evaluation Form on the SRIF website: <http://www.srifoundation.org>). Highest scoring applications will be recommended for award. Recommendations will be forwarded to the SRIF Board of Directors, which will make all awards.

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