

UHI Student Research Grants_Summer 2021



About the Summer Research Grant Program

The UCLA Urban Humanities Initiative will be issuing three summer research grants of \$4,000 per team to alumni of the Urban Humanities Initiative Graduate Certificate program. These grants are intended to advance alumni's research projects that employ an urban humanist lens. The grants are divided into three categories: Travel; Westlake/MacArthur Park; and 'Open':

1. **UHI Travel Grant:** This grant is intended to support a student project that requires *support for travel expenses*. This project may focus on research, urban intervention, documentation, or a combination of the above.
2. **Westlake/MacArthur Park Grant:** This grant is intended to support a research and/or urban intervention project that *focuses on the Westlake/MacArthur Park neighborhood of Los Angeles*. The research may build on prior projects conducted over the past UHI year, or may be a new project.
3. **Open Research Grant:** This grant is intended to support a research and/or urban intervention project that focuses on *any topic/subject* of the team's choosing, so long as the proposal meets the basic criteria listed below.

Basic Criteria

All Summer Research Grant proposals must meet the following criteria to be considered eligible:

- Teams must consist of at least two people representing two different disciplines (i.e. architecture, planning, or humanities).
- At least one applicant must be a member of the current 2020-21 cohort *
- Priority will be given to proposals that employ an interdisciplinary methodology and praxis as demonstrated by an urban humanities scholarly approach.

Required Application Materials

- Each team should submit one application of not more than two pages. Please indicate which category your team is applying to, the specific aspect of your project that will be completed over the summer, a project timeline, and a budget.
- Please send your application as a PDF to Gustavo Leclerc at gleclerc@g.ucla.edu by **5pm on Monday, June 21st**. Decisions will be announced by **July 1st**.

Terms of Fund Disbursement

- Awarded teams will receive the \$4,000 as a one-time stipend via BruinBill. Keep in mind that stipends paid through UCLA automatically go towards outstanding balances before being distributed to student bank accounts. **Stipends will be disbursed on July 15.**
- Upon completion of the project, awarded teams must submit a 'visual report' (PDF, website, thick map, ect) that may be featured on the UHI website, social media, or other digital and print platforms.
- * *Teams can include alumni from prior cohorts or people from outside UHI/UCLA. Keep in mind that the \$4,000 amount is per team (not per person).*

* *Teams can include alumni from prior cohorts or people from outside UHI/UCLA. Keep in mind that the \$4,000 amount is per team (not per person).*