



**Agreement on Academic Exchanges and Cooperation between the Faculty of Arts, University of Alberta, and the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS)**

**CALL FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS**

The Faculty of Arts CASS Adjudication Committee is pleased to solicit applications for participation in this program for 2017.

The University of Alberta and the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences have entered into an agreement on Academic Exchanges and Cooperation to further the goals of international education and research, to foster mutual understanding in areas of professional interest, and to facilitate broader cross-cultural links among scholars of both countries.

Both institutions will promote the exchange of scholarly visits and cooperation in relevant social sciences and humanities fields of common interest. These fields include, but are not limited to, Anthropology, International Studies, Economics, History, Linguistics, Literature, Philosophy, Political Science, Religious Studies, Law and Sociology.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Faculty members, FSOs, PDFs and PhD students who have completed candidacy at the time of application are eligible under this program.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

There is no formal application form. The Committee requests that you provide the following no later than **4:00 p.m., July 29, 2016**.

**Applications are to be submitted as a single PDF with documentation in the following order:**

- 1) **A 400-word** project description of the research or academic cooperation that you plan to undertake and the outcomes you anticipate, specifying the relationship, if any, of this project to other research or academic cooperation that you have undertaken or plan to undertake.
- 2) For faculty members, FSOs, and PDFs, a brief letter of support from your Chair.
- 3) A summary of your facility in Mandarin, and specifically in reading and writing, as well in oral communication. If knowledge of Mandarin is not required for your activity at CASS, explain why it is not. Visiting Scholars are responsible for their own language needs. The host institution will not provide translation, but may help the visitor arrange for it.
- 4) The names of any people at CASS with whom you have been in contact, if any, and an indication of their willingness to assist you in any way during your research visit.
- 5) Planned dates for the visit - (Specific dates are required).
- 6) A current c.v.

**Graduate students** who have completed their candidacy exam *at the time of application* may also apply. The following documentation is required to be submitted as a single PDF (in the order specified):

- a) A 400-word project description of the research or academic cooperation that you plan to undertake and the outcomes you anticipate, specifying the relationship, if any, of this project to other research or academic cooperation that you have undertaken or plan to undertake;



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- b) A letter of support from the Supervisor outlining the relevance of the planned activity for thesis research, and including date of candidacy;
- c) A summary of your facility in Mandarin, and specifically in reading and writing, as well in oral communication. If knowledge of Mandarin is not required for your activity at CASS, explain why it is not. Visiting Scholars are responsible for their own language needs. The host institution will not provide translation, but may help the visitor arrange for it;
- d) The names of any people at CASS with whom you have been in contact, if any, and an indication of their willingness to assist you in any way during your research visit;
- e) A current University of Alberta transcript;
- f) Confirmation of health insurance coverage while in China.

### VALUE

Under this program, grants to Faculty of Arts personnel will contain a stipend (against receipts and consistent with institutional travel policy) to cover the cost of airfare (economy class), airport transfers, and the required Chinese visa (does not cover cost of renewal of passport). Additionally, CASS will provide accommodation in Beijing at no cost, as well as a daily stipend for meals and local transportation up to a maximum of fourteen days. Up to four grants will be awarded annually. Expenses incurred beyond the approved period will be borne wholly by the researcher.

### TIMELINE

Application Deadline: 4:00 p.m., **July 29, 2016**; incomplete or late applications will not be adjudicated.

Disposition of Applications and Notification of CASS: by mid-September 2016.

Travel to CASS: Between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017.

Applications should be sent electronically, addressed to:

**Associate Dean, Research**

to the attention of:

**Nancie Hodgson**

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