FUNDING

University Fellowships and Teaching Assistantships
First-year students receive University Fellowships, which cover the cost of tuition and health insurance, and include a stipend. Students with a Fellowship are expected to carry a course load of up to four courses per semester. Beginning in their second year, students are granted Teaching Assistantships. Teaching Assistants receive the same benefits and compensation as they did with University Fellowships in their first year.

Presidential Fellowship
In extraordinary cases students may be admitted to the department with a Presidential Fellowship. Students with this Fellowship are fully supported in their first three years of study without teaching responsibilities.

Dissertation Completion Fellowship
Dissertation Completion Fellowships (DCPs) are NOT automatic. They are granted by the Graduate School upon recommendation from the department on the basis of merit and demonstrated progress on the dissertation. Students who plan to apply for a DCP should let the DGS know by November of their fifth year. They should have a draft of at least one chapter of the dissertation submitted to their advisor by January 25 of the fifth year. Applications, including a proposal, for the DCP are due to the Graduate School in early February of the fifth year; decisions are announced in mid-Spring. For more information go to https://www.brown.edu/academics/gradschool/dissertation-completion-proposal.

Internal Fellowships
The Graduate School has partnered up with several Centers and Institutes on campus—e.g., the John Carter Brown Library, the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS) and the Pembroke Center—to offer interdisciplinary fellowships to advanced graduate students in the Humanities and Social Sciences. These fellowships are awarded on a competitive basis to rising fifth and sixth year students. For a full list of participating Centers and Institutes, as well as applications, go to https://www.brown.edu/academics/gradschool/financing-support/phd-funding/dissertation-completion-proposal/interdisciplinary-opportunities-human.

The Cogut Center for the Humanities also has Graduate Fellowships for students in the humanities: https://www.brown.edu/academics/humanities/fellowships-and-grants/graduate-fellowships. In addition, the Cogut Center encourages graduate students in the Humanities and Social Sciences to apply to resources such as the Mellon Graduate Student Workshops as well as providing the funds for graduate students to attend the School of Criticism and Theory. For more information on both please visit:

- Mellon Graduate Student Workshops (for advanced graduate students): https://www.brown.edu/academics/humanities/fellowships-and-grants/mellon-graduate-student-workshops
- School of Criticism and Theory (for advanced graduate students):
Students in their first or second year working on Latin America may be interested in the Tinker Foundational Field Research Grant. This grant supports pre-dissertation fieldwork in Latin America and the Caribbean. For more information:
http://watson.brown.edu/clacs/opportunities/graduate-student-funding/tinker-foundation-field-research-grant

For a list of all interdisciplinary opportunities for funding in the Humanities and Social Sciences at Brown please visit: https://www.brown.edu/academics/gradschool/financing-support/phd-funding/dissertation-completion-proposal/interdisciplinary-opportunities-human#johncarter

Exchange Program in Salamanca
Students who wish to study at the Universidad de Salamanca for a year may request admission to this program. Express your interest to the DGS.

Students who are studying abroad are strongly encouraged to register the trip with the Brown University Global Assistance Program. This program provides 24-hour worldwide medical, security, and travel assistance, including emergency evacuation. Please visit the website for more information and the access code to Brown’s International SOS portal: https://www.brown.edu/campus-life/safety/resources/international-sos

Additional departmental funds for travel and other activities
Funding opportunities have been developed in the department to help support graduate students in their research and make the most of the community at Brown. Here are the main points:
1. For a first conference per year—whether domestic or international—students should first apply to the Graduate School for funding, after which the department may contribute up to $500 in additional funds, upon receiving a detailed budget, conference abstract, conference description and confirmation of acceptance.
2. In cases where a second conference in an academic year is warranted, the department may provide up to $750 per person, again after presentation of a budget, abstract, conference description and confirmation of acceptance. Priority for receiving funds for a second conference is given to students who have finished their coursework.
3. Students may also apply for summer research travel up to a maximum of $2500 per person. As with conference funding, they should first apply to the Graduate School. Priority is given to students who have not previously received Summer funding.

NB In cases where a particular language is not taught at Brown, or where there is a need for students to have deeper immersion in a language, the department will consider applications for online learning or for travel support; in the latter case, there must be a demonstrated research connection which necessitates travel to study the language outside Brown, either at an institute such as Middlebury, or in a country where the language is spoken. (Support will not be available for travel simply to fulfill a language requirement.)
To fulfil the first and second language requirement, students are encouraged to make use of classes offered at Brown during the semester or over the summer.

4. As a group, graduate students are invited to bring up to two visiting speakers per year for a talk and potentially also a workshop. The department will pay for travel and lodging expenses, as well as a modest honorarium.

5. The department will now cover up to $1000 for one trip to the MLA for the job search.