Short-term Research Stipend

The Hargrett Rare Book and Manuscript Library advances the research, instructional, and service mission of the University of Georgia by collecting, preserving, and sharing the published and unpublished works that document the history and culture of Georgia. The Hargrett Library promotes the state’s literary, cultural, social, and economic legacy; and it builds collections of distinction in other areas, including natural history, ecology and environmentalism, history of the book, performing arts, women’s history, journalism and print media, and University history.

The Hargrett Library and its research centers provide travel grants of up to $1,000 for researchers whose work would benefit from access to the collections held at UGA. Currently, travel grants are available for the following research centers:

**Hargrett Library Signature Research Stipend**

Encouraging research in the primary collecting areas documented at the Hargrett Library including, but not limited to, Colonial Georgia and Revolutionary War, the Native American experience, the Civil War and Reconstruction in Georgia, private press and fine printing, Georgia music culture, and University history.

**James W. Woodruff, Sr. Center for Natural History**

Established in honor of James W. Woodruff, Sr. (1879-1963), best known as the Father of the Chattahoochee, to support scholarly research on natural history in the areas of geography, geology, meteorology, botany, zoology, ecology, and archaeology.

**Stephen E. Draper Center and Archives for the Study of Water Law and Policy**

The Center encourages scholarship focused on the history, development, and management of rivers, aquifers, and wetlands of the State of Georgia and the southeast.

**Lucy Hargrett Draper Center and Archives for the Study of the Rights of Women in History and Law**

The Center supports scholarship related to the history of women and gender, especially regarding protest movements, gender equality, and legal equity.

**Freddy Wittop Center for the Study of Performing Arts**

Established to honor the work and lifetime achievements of internationally acclaimed costume designer, Freddy Wittop (1911-2001), the Center supports scholarship in the performing arts including costume and set design, theater, film, music, dance, and circus arts.

**George Horace Lorimer Center for Print Media**

Named in honor of George Horace Lorimer (1868-1937), who served as editor of *The Saturday Evening Post*, the Center supports scholarship in print media, journalism, and photojournalism.

**Georgia Writers Hall of Fame**

Encouraging research in the collections documenting Georgia writers including Georgiana Collection featuring works by and about Georgians and the papers of journalists, poets, novelists, and non-fiction authors.
Eligibility

- United States citizens and permanent residents with the legal right to work in the U.S. who are engaged in graduate-level, post-doctoral, academic faculty, or independent research may apply. Independent researchers include writers, historians, creative and performing artists, filmmakers, curators, librarians, and journalists.
- All applicants must reside beyond a 100-mile radius of Athens, GA and may not be current University of Georgia students or employees.
- Applicants are welcome to apply each year. However, if awarded a stipend a period of 3 years must elapse before reapplying.
- We particularly welcome applications from scholars from underrepresented groups in academia.

Types of Projects

Short-term Research Stipends support projects that present creative approaches, including historical research and documentation projects resulting in dissertations, publications, exhibitions, educational initiatives, documentary films, or other multimedia products and artistic works. The research topic must be appropriate to the individual Centers offering travel grants.

Application Process

Research topics should be strongly supported by the collections of the research center. We encourage each prospective grant applicant to discuss their research project and the collections that might support it with the Library research staff before submitting an application. The application package includes:

- Cover letter with contact information, including full name, mailing and physical address, telephone and email.
- Project Proposal (may not exceed 2 pages), outlining the area of research, list of Library resources that support the research, budget, and expected product of research.
- Résumé or Curriculum Vita

Please send application package to hargrett@uga.edu or mail to 300 South Hull Street, Hargrett Library, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia 30602. **Applications are due by October 1st for stipend requests for the subsequent calendar year.**

Stipend Award

Use of the stipend may be for the following:

- transportation expenses (including air, train or bus ticket charges; car rental; mileage using a personal vehicle; parking fees)
- accommodations
- meals

Reimbursement of expenses occur once the recipient has completed their research visit and has submitted original receipts.