

# Gaming Research Fellowships at UNLV University Libraries

## *Study gambling in Las Vegas!*

The Center for Gaming Research at the University of Nevada Las Vegas (<http://gaming.unlv.edu>) invites academic faculty and graduate students to apply for the 2010-11 cycle of research fellowships, which facilitate research into many aspects of both gambling and Las Vegas at UNLV Special Collections. Although primarily in English, the holdings include many texts in French, German, and Italian spanning the 17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> centuries as well as manuscript collections, casino corporate archives, promotional and publicity files, and government publications.

The Center will award two kinds of fellowships.

**Resident Fellowships** offer a \$3,500 stipend. This award is intended for graduate students conducting dissertation research and junior faculty, particularly those turning dissertations into books. Resident Fellows will complete a month-long residency at Special Collections at the University Libraries, deliver a public talk (which is recorded as part of the Center's podcast series), and contribute a brief paper to the Center's Occasional Paper Series. It is expected that the research they conduct will be incorporated into their dissertation, a book, or another major research project.

**Visiting Fellowships** offer a \$500 stipend. This award is intended for senior faculty or junior faculty who do not have the time to commit to a month-long residency. Visiting Fellows will spend a minimum of a week in residency doing research at Special Collections, deliver a public talk (which is recorded as part of the Center's podcast series), and contribute a brief paper to our Occasional Paper Series. It is expected that their research will be incorporated into an article, book chapter, or other research project.

### Who's eligible

Junior (recent post-doc and untenured) faculty and ABD graduate students are encouraged to apply for the Resident Fellowships. Established and senior faculty are encouraged to apply for the Visiting Fellowships. Applicants primarily represent the fields of history, economics, English, history, sociology, and anthropology, though those from all disciplines with relevant research interests are encouraged to apply. Suggested fields of research include Las Vegas history, the history of gambling, and comparative studies of gambling in literature, history, and society.

Before applying please learn as much as you can about the scope of the collections—priority will be given to applicants who specify collections they plan to use. Visit the Center website for more information about the program, past fellows, and the collections.

### How to apply

For the 2010-2011 academic year, please submit the following by July 11, 2011:

1. A cover letter briefly introducing yourself
2. A short (2-4 page) description of the proposed research, with details on secondary research already done and sources to be used at UNLV
3. A full curriculum vitae

4. One letter of recommendation that evaluates your past research and current project

All materials must be sent electronically; the first three items should be sent in a single pdf file, with the letter of recommendation sent as an email (no attachments) by the recommender directly to the center's director, Dr. David G. Schwartz, at [dgs@unlv.nevada.edu](mailto:dgs@unlv.nevada.edu). Please email the pdf of the application to the same address. Paper submissions and those that do not follow these guidelines will be excluded from consideration.

Successful applicants will be notified by August 1, 2010.

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