

**2018-19 Writing Workshop for Dissertation Chapters
Call for Applications
Deadline: June 12, 2018**

PURPOSE: The Writing Workshop provides support to UC San Diego PhD candidates engaged in writing dissertations. The workshop addresses the clarity of the chapter's goals, the character and quality of its argument, the use of sources, strategies of persuasion, and the quality of the writing, including grammar. Because of its interdisciplinary composition, the workshop provides insights from different disciplinary perspectives, which helps students broaden their understanding of its scholarly and intellectual context.

ELIGIBILITY: UC San Diego PhD candidates writing dissertations in the arts, humanities and social sciences. Students should be working on topics that can be defined as humanistic in the broadest sense—that is, topics based on archival sources, literary or artistic works, ethnographic field work, and interviews or public media. Applicants should have advanced to candidacy, have conducted extensive research, and completed a full draft of the chapter before Fall quarter.

AWARD AMOUNT: Workshop participants will receive \$800 after completion of the workshop.

DESCRIPTION: The workshop meets during Fall quarter, up to five times for two hours each. Participation is capped at two groups of 5 students. In each meeting of the workshop, a student presents a chapter. The presenter distributes the chapter electronically one week before the meeting to allow readers time to comment. All members of the workshop critique the chapter presented and provide the presenter with substantive notes they have made as they read. A different student will lead the review process each meeting. Current Arts & Humanities faculty will convene the workshop and provide substantive comments at the end. Faculty conveners will be assigned after awards have been made.

COMMITMENT: All participants must commit to providing substantive feedback to each student in the group and attend all meetings.

APPLICATION PROCESS: Please send the following materials in a single PDF file to Katherine Levy at iah@ucsd.edu:

1. Name
2. Home department
3. Advisor name
4. Dissertation abstract
5. Timetable of dissertation completion

In addition, please ask your advisor to send a brief e-mail directly to Katherine Levy at iah@ucsd.edu with comments on the applicant's readiness and need for the workshop.