



## **ARNOLD L. MITCHEM DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

### **General Information**

Marquette University is pleased to offer a fellowship program named in honor of Dr. Arnold L. Mitchem, internationally-recognized champion for educational opportunity. A Marquette alumnus (Ph.D., Education, 1981), Dr. Mitchem founded Marquette's Educational Opportunity Program and served as its Director from 1969-1986. Since 1986, he has served as the President of the Council for Opportunity in Education in Washington, D.C. The Fellowship honors Dr. Mitchem's contributions and convictions by offering another avenue by which to advance his goal of moving a highly-educated, articulate, and compassionate cadre of women and men of color into our citizenry to bring about authentic democratic change.

### **About the Mitchem Dissertation Fellowship Program**

The primary aim of the **Arnold L Mitchem Dissertation Fellowship Program** is to help increase the presence of currently underrepresented racial and cultural groups in the U.S. professoriate by supporting doctoral candidates as they complete the final academic requirement, the dissertation.

Currently **Mitchem Fellowships** provide one year of support for students with advanced candidacy in their doctoral programs in other U.S. universities. Fellows are to be in residence at Marquette University for the 2017-2018 academic year (August 14 – May 20) during which they teach one (1) course in their area of specialization, interact with faculty and undergraduate students, give a public presentation, and devote their primary energies to the completion and defense of their dissertations. During their residence, Mitchem Fellows will also be mentored by a senior faculty mentor in his or her discipline, appointed by the fellow's department chair and collegiate dean in consultation with the Associate Provost for Diversity and Inclusion.

Marquette University Mitchem Fellows will receive a \$35,000 stipend, fringe benefits, plus research and travel monies for the 2017-2018 academic year. The University will further provide library privileges, office space, access to computer, and clerical support equivalent to that enjoyed by regular faculty members in the department with which a Fellow is affiliated.

### **Eligibility**

Persons are eligible to apply who have not earned a doctoral degree at any time or in any field, have completed all other requirements for the Ph.D., and are at the writing stage of their dissertation work.

Applications for the 2017-2018 Fellowships are invited from the following academic areas:

**Anthropology, Communication Studies, Counseling Psychology, Counselor Education, Criminology and Criminal Justice, Educational Policy and Leadership, English, Foreign Languages and Literatures, History, Mass Communication, Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science, Philosophy, Political Science/International Relations, Psychology, Social Work/Welfare, Sociology, or Theology/Religious Studies.**

*The Mitchem Fellowship Program is especially interested in receiving applications from individuals whose research focuses on African American, Latino/a, or First Nations/Native American Studies.*

All applications for this position must be initiated through Marquette University's electronic recruiting system found at <https://employment.marquette.edu/>.

The full application packet should include:

A completed online application with the following attachments:

- Current curriculum vitae
- A letter of interest in the fellowship program and in Marquette University
- Dissertation prospectus limited to ten pages
- Description of teaching interests

The following forms should be sent via USPS to the address below:

- A progress toward degree form signed by the director of graduate studies or an academic dean in the student's graduate school or college
- Official graduate transcripts
- Three confidential letters of recommendation, including one from the applicant's dissertation advisor

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For application materials please visit <http://www.marquette.edu/provost/mitchem-dissertation-program.shtml>. The application deadline is Wednesday, **January 4, 2017**.

A multidisciplinary faculty selection committee will review all applications in February 2017 and submit nominations to the deans of the appropriate colleges, who appoint Mitchem Fellows in consort with the Office of the Provost. Finalists will be invited to campus for interviews. Fellowship recipients will be notified by the end of March 2017. For further information, please write to "Mitchem Dissertation Fellowship Program" at the abovementioned address, call (414) 288-8028, or e-mail [mitchem.fellowship@marquette.edu](mailto:mitchem.fellowship@marquette.edu).