



WEST AFRICAN RESEARCH ASSOCIATION

WARA Residencies for West African Scholars 2011

In the interest of enhancing transatlantic exchange and collaboration, the West African Research Association invites applications for its WARA Residency Program. This program covers the costs of bringing a specific West African Scholar to visit a WARA member institution. Please note that this competition is open only to WARA member institutions. Each residency will last 4-8 weeks and will provide the visiting scholar with opportunities for library research, guest lecturing or teaching, and/or collaborative work with American colleagues. WARA will pay the round-trip travel costs of the selected scholar as well as a stipend of \$3500 to help cover meals and local transportation costs. Host institutions are encouraged to provide additional support (e.g. housing, conference participation) for the period of the residency. To apply for a residency to take place in Spring or Fall 2009, interested member institutions should submit:

- A WARA grant application cover sheet (this form, to be filled in by the proposed visiting scholar, is downloadable from the WARA website)
- Name and contact information for representative of WARA host institution
- A 50-80 word abstract of the proposed residency, clearly indicating the purpose of the Residency (clearly indicate the host institution contact person)
- A proposal of no more than six (6) double-spaced pages profiling the visiting scholar, his or her proposed residency activities, how the residency will contribute to the goals of WARA, the expected impact or outcome of the residency, and any support that the host institution is prepared to contribute
- Curriculum vitae for the visiting scholar
- A letter of interest from the scholar
- A letter of support from a relevant administrator (dean, department chair, etc.) at the host institution
- Proof of citizenship in the form of a copy of the scholar's passport (please note: only scholars who are eligible for non-immigrant visas to the U.S. will be considered)

Complete applications will consist of one original and three copies of all materials (4 sets total).

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY FEBRUARY 1, 2011.

Upon completion of the residency, residents are required to submit a detailed report of their work and findings. This report will subsequently be published in the biannual WARA newsletter.

Please direct inquiries about institutional membership and submit applications to:

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