



Call for Applications

Summer Dissertation Proposal Workshop

May 20–26, 2018, Howard University, Washington, D.C.

Howard University's **Center on Race and Wealth (CRW)** and the **Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP)** at the **University of Wisconsin–Madison** seek applications for the second annual **Summer Dissertation Proposal Writing Workshop**. This week-long workshop, held at Howard University in Washington, D.C., is aimed at pre-proposal doctoral students in the social sciences from underrepresented racial and ethnic populations who are studying topics related to poverty or inequality in the United States. The workshop is designed to help provide students the skills, knowledge, and resources needed to prepare a dissertation proposal. Funding is provided by the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, as part of IRP's National Poverty Research Center award.

The workshop will be led by faculty from Howard University, IRP, and other institutions. Topics will include:

- Preparing a dissertation proposal
- Writing a literature review
- Overview of quantitative and qualitative research methodologies
- Data sources and retrieval
- Participant presentations of draft dissertation proposals developed at the workshop

Applicants should submit a brief letter of interest describing their research aims and what they hope to learn from the workshop. A letter of recommendation from their primary advisor is also required and will be solicited directly by the CRW and IRP, upon provision of the advisor's name and email address by the applicant. Applicants must be pre-dissertation proposal doctoral students from underrepresented racial or ethnic populations (Black, Hispanic, Native American) studying at U.S. universities.

Applications are due January 31, 2018 via the [online application form](#).

Funding for travel, meals, and lodging at Howard University (for students residing outside of the D.C. area) will be provided to 12 successful applicants.

Questions should be directed to Dr. Janet Griffin-Graves at jrgriffin-graves@howard.edu.

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