



The University of Notre Dame announces the creation of the **Provost's Postdoctoral Fellowship**, a university-wide initiative to support highly motivated scholars seeking to make a difference in the world.

The College of Arts and Letters will appoint and host a cohort of six postdoctoral fellows for the 2025-2026 academic year.

The [Medieval Institute](#) is a leading center for the study of the Middle Ages in the world. In 2021, it celebrated its 75th anniversary. It is housed in the Hesburgh Library, one of the best research libraries for medieval studies, with a growing manuscript collection. It collaborates with sixty-five fellows, who represent twenty-two disciplines and educate the brightest new scholars in the field at the undergraduate and graduate levels. It regularly hosts visiting fellows, conferences, lecture series, and workshops.

This dynamic intellectual community is dedicated to integrated multidisciplinary inquiry. Its many strengths include Art History, Byzantine Studies, Liturgy, Manuscript Studies, Music, Philosophy, Theology, and Arabic, English, French, Germanic, Italian, Latin, Slavic, and Spanish Languages and Literatures. It looks to build on these strengths and to support the aims of the university's [Strategic Framework](#) through its participation in the Provost's Postdoctoral Fellowship program.

These prestigious fellowships target exceptional early-stage scholars seeking to advance their careers in an interdisciplinary academic environment. The College will appoint the fellows for one year, with the option of a one-year renewal. Each fellow will receive an annual salary of \$75,000, and will work together with the host department and the director of postdoctoral studies in the College to identify a suitable primary research mentor. Additional co-mentors can also be appointed and must have an appointment at the University of Notre Dame. The host unit will provide research space. Fellows may teach up to one course per year in their host unit.

Monetary support will be coupled with faculty mentoring, professional development, and networking opportunities. The Provost's Fellows will be part of a university-wide cohort of outstanding researchers who will meet regularly for social and academic enrichment. The Fellows will have an independent mentoring structure to review their progress and discuss future plans every six months. A sum of \$15,000 will be placed under the control of the fellow to cover expenses related to independent research endeavors, training, and professional development. The Fellows will participate in a university-wide postdoctoral training program, a curriculum that enhances our postdoc's research skills, career development, and social and personal skills. Specific advice on how to apply for and obtain jobs, and how to develop short- and long-term plans for career success will be an integral part of this program.

Notre Dame has recently launched strategic initiatives intended to identify research areas where the University can make a significant impact. These will support dramatically expanded research efforts in poverty, democracy, ethics, sustainability, the arts, and health and well-being, data and computational science, and global Catholicism. The University also sustains outstanding research programs in traditional disciplines as well as having more than 30 university-wide interdisciplinary

centers and institutes. Candidates for the Provost's Fellowship are encouraged to explore these opportunities, as well as areas of growth and excellence identified by hosting units, and select a field of study in which they can excel.

Eligibility

Preference will be given to applicants who have successfully completed (or plan to complete) a doctoral degree between June 2023 and June 2025. Earlier dates can be accepted if maternity or paternity leave, or Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave occurred within the past two years. Scholars of all nationalities may apply. We welcome candidates with or without tenure-track positions. Current postdoctoral scholars at the University of Notre Dame are not eligible.

Application

Applicants should submit the following via the Interfolio website:

- A cover letter including the motivation for your application, how this fellowship will further your career goals, and your research interests at Notre Dame.
- Your curriculum vitae.
- A statement describing your previous research accomplishments and what research you propose to do under the fellowship. This statement may include the identification of primary mentor and co-mentors, and rationale for selecting mentors. The research statement should not exceed 5 pages.
- Candidates must also arrange for at least three letters of recommendation to be submitted via Interfolio. (Do not ask your letter writers to email their letters directly.)

For questions or concerns about the submission process, please email: alsocietypostdocs@nd.edu

Timeline

The application deadline is March 31, at 11:59 pm EST. Decision by April 30.

Please direct any additional questions to alsocietypostdocs@nd.edu

Application Process

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