



Open Call for Fellowships
PRRI (Public Religion Research Institute)
Washington, D.C.
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PRRI (Public Religion Research Institute) is announcing an opportunity to join a diverse cohort of 16 non-residential Public Fellows who are engaged in public scholarship at the intersection of religion, culture, and politics.

PRRI Public Fellows will work alongside the organization's research and communications staff during the 2023-2024 academic year (August to July). This 11-month fellowship includes a stipend, support for a course release during the spring semester, and access to microgrants to support collaborative research. The PRRI fellowship will benefit those who want to shape their work for broader public consumption, receive communications support for placing public-facing work in top-tier media outlets, and integrate quantitative data into their research and teaching. Successful fellows will be eligible to apply for a one-time renewal at the end of the program year but are not guaranteed renewal.

As a part of PRRI's [Religion and Renewing Democracy Initiative](#), the organization is seeking applicants whose research agendas align with one of four principal vectors of PRRI's ongoing work: 1) religious, racial and ethnic pluralism; 2) racial justice and white supremacy; 3) immigration and migration studies; and 4) LGBTQ rights. In each area of scholarship, PRRI will select four Public Fellows.

The ideal candidates are mid-career scholars (three to twelve years since earning a terminal degree) who have an aptitude and track record of socially engaged or public scholarship. PRRI is seeking a diverse cohort in terms of academic disciplines (both humanities and the social sciences), types of institutions (college, university, seminary, or research institute), and geographic location. PRRI encourages applications from women, people of color, and other members of under-represented groups who will contribute to the diversity of the cohort.

Fellowship Benefits:

- 11-month fellowship with a cohort of 16 diverse scholars (four from each area of PRRI's core areas of work) engaged in public scholarship.
- Fellowship stipend of \$5,000 and course release funds up to \$10,000 for the spring 2023 semester.
- Access to annual microgrants of \$12,000 in each area of PRRI's work for new interdisciplinary scholarly projects within the cohort.
- Monthly meetings and quarterly trainings and workshops.
- An in-person convening in Washington, D.C., with travel expenses paid by PRRI. During the convening, Fellows will meet with writers from major media outlets and leaders of advocacy groups, receive media training from PRRI's communications consultants, and dialogue with experts in writing for trade, crossover and non-academic book publishers.

- Advance access to PRRI data and archives.
- Collaborative work with PRRI's research and communications teams.
- For Fellows from non-quantitative backgrounds, PRRI will provide training, support, and advice on how to connect public-opinion survey research to their field of expertise.

Application Requirements:

Applicants for the PRRI Public Fellows program must meet the following requirements:

- Fellows must have a Ph.D. or comparable terminal degree plus a formal affiliation with an accredited college, university, seminary, or research institute in the United States.
- Fellows must have earned their terminal degree at least three years ago and no more than 12 years ago.
- Fellows should have demonstrable academic expertise in at least one of the four areas of PRRI's work (religious, racial and ethnic pluralism; racial justice and white supremacy; immigration and migration studies; and LGBTQ rights).
- Fellows must be authorized to work in the United States.

Application Process:

To apply for a fellowship, please follow [this link](#) to the PRRI website. The application includes:

- **Statement of interest:** in 800 words or less, please explain your interest in pursuing this fellowship opportunity and your professional development goals in public scholarship.
- **Current *curriculum vitae***
- **Work samples:** please provide links to and PDF copies of three articles published within the last three years, preferably in publications or sites aimed at the general public. These samples should be your best recent work.

The application deadline is May 31, 2023. For questions, please contact PRRI at public.fellows@publicreligion.org.