

MARION AND JASPER WHITING FOUNDATION

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“Fellowships for Higher Education of Present and Prospective Teachers”

Origins and Statement of Purpose:

The Marion and Jasper Whiting Foundation is a permanent charitable trust fund established under the will of Jasper Whiting, a resident of Dublin, New Hampshire, who died on August 18, 1941. Mr. Whiting left the residue of his estate to the Foundation, as did his wife, Marion, a resident of Boston, Massachusetts, who died on January 28, 1965. The Foundation began awarding annual fellowships after Mrs. Whiting’s death. In 2023, the trustees received 104 applications and made 42 awards totaling \$256,409.52, or approximately \$6,105 per fellowship.

The primary purpose of the Foundation is to award fellowships to present and prospective teachers, with an emphasis on present teachers at the college or university level, to enable them to study abroad or at some location or locations other than that with which they are most closely associated. The aim is to stimulate and broaden the minds of teachers so as to improve and enhance the quality of their instruction. Grants are primarily for travel and related expenses and not as salary substitutes, scholarships or grants in aid. According to Mr. Whiting’s will, the benefits under the Foundation are to be conferred at the sole discretion of the trustees but shall not at any time be denied for reasons of race, color, nationality, religion or sex.

While Mr. Whiting expressed a preference toward teachers at Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he encouraged the trustees to look beyond these institutions and, indeed, the trustees have welcomed applications from teachers at all New England colleges and universities. Applications from outside of the New England area will not be considered. In 2023, the 42 winners came from 21 different New England schools. There is no specific limit to the number of winners from any particular school. The trustees encourage schools to vet their candidates before applications are submitted.

Process to Apply:

Candidates must submit application material via e-mail only with pdf attachments.

Application Deadline: **5:00p.m. EST on Friday, January 5, 2024.**

Application Addresses: RGB@RICEHEARD.COM (Robert G. Bannish, Trustee) and
LJC@RICEHEARD.COM (Lisa Cunningham, Grants Coordinator)

Application Materials:

Candidates should submit the Application Materials in one e-mail with a single pdf attachment (if possible) which includes:

- (1) The applicant’s project or study contemplated of **NO MORE THAN THREE PAGES.**

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- (2) Curriculum vitae (short form) showing the applicant to be a university teacher or a graduate of a college or university progressing toward a teaching career on the college or university level.
- (3) Detailed Budget indicating the estimated travel expenses to be incurred in carrying out the project. Equipment and materials are not permissible expenses.
- (4) Completed Candidate Information Form (see document attached to this e-mail).
- (5) **Two** letters of recommendation from fellow faculty members, professors or similar persons, one of which must be from the dean of faculty or the chairperson of the candidate's department, who can speak to both the candidate and the project. Please note that the supporting letters must be ON OFFICIAL LETTERHEAD.

Applications received after the Application Deadline will not be considered.

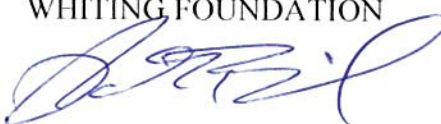
Incomplete applications will not be considered.

In an agreement with the Internal Revenue Service, the trustees have set forth certain procedures for making grants from the Foundation. Specifically, the trustees have agreed to make grants with the concurrence of the college or university with which the applicant is affiliated and will remain affiliated for the duration of the project. Such school will be responsible for supervising the entire project. No grant administration fees are permitted. The actual payment will be made to the school, which will then disburse funds to the recipient only for purposes related to the project and only as set forth in his or her budget. Grant funds will be disbursed to the school of the award winner no later than October 31, 2024. Projects must be completed no later than May 31, 2026. No exceptions or extensions will be made to this schedule. Finally, the recipient must agree to make a brief report to the trustees within twelve months of the completion of the project.

Award winners will be notified by e-mail by Monday, April 8, 2024. Non-winners will be notified by e-mail shortly thereafter.

The trustees look forward to hearing from you with your application.

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Robert G. Bannish, Trustee