The Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago invites applications for the Oriental Institute's Annual Post-Doctoral Fellow Conference program for the 2017-2019 academic years.

This is a twenty-four-month, non-renewable appointment. During the first year of the appointment, the Post-Doctoral Fellow will organize and conduct a two-day conference at the Oriental Institute on key comparatively oriented theoretical or methodological issues in the field of ancient studies (archaeological, text-based, and/or art historical avenues of research).

We encourage cross-disciplinary proposals that deal with the ancient Near East (including Egypt) or that compare the Near East with other cultural areas. Applicants should take into consideration the research interests represented at the Oriental Institute. The conference will take place in early March 2018. Following the conference, the Post-Doctoral Fellow will work with publication staff to assemble and edit the proceedings for publication in the "Oriental Institute Seminars" series. During the second year of the appointment, the Post-Doctoral Fellow will assist in organizing a series of faculty seminars at the Oriental Institute and may have the opportunity to teach one quarter-length course on a topic of his or her choosing. The incumbent is also encouraged to pursue his or her own research while in residence and to interact with the Oriental Institute community.

Information on past Oriental Institute Annual symposia can be viewed at: https://oi.uchicago.edu/research/postdoctoral-fellow-program

Qualifications: Ph.D. in a discipline relating to ancient studies must be complete at the time of appointment. Applicants should send:

a. Cover letter
b. 5-page proposal outlining the nature and structure of the conference (including the names and paper topics of six to eight key participants who have agreed to make presentations, should the conference be funded; for budgetary reasons, international participants should constitute no more than half of the list of six to eight invited speakers)
c. Curriculum vitae d. 3 letters of reference

Please apply online to the University of Chicago's Academic Career Opportunity website at: http://tinyurl.com/jgxuv9z Posting number 03151

Review of applications will begin on Monday, January 9th, 2017. Start date is September 1st, 2017. Inquiries can be directed to mailto:oi-administration@uchicago.edu with the subject heading "Post-Doctoral Fellow".

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Job seekers in need of a reasonable accommodation to complete the application process should call 773-702-5671 or email mailto:ACOppAdministrator@uchicago.edu with their request.