

2023-2024 Social Science Matrix Faculty Fellows Program

The Matrix Faculty Fellows program supports Assistant- and Associate-level faculty members at UC Berkeley for their continuing work on research that has a significant impact in multiple disciplines in the social sciences. The selection committee will consider both the impact of the work of a scholar in their home discipline, as well as the project's potential impact and interest to scholars in other fields, aligning with the mission of Social Science Matrix. In their proposals, scholars should also clearly identify how their work aligns with Matrix's research streams, including our highlighted streams of climate, democracy, inclusion, inequality, and information.

Eligibility and Award

Applicants must be at either the Assistant or Associate level from departments in the UC Berkeley Division of Social Sciences. Fellows will receive one course release for either the Fall 2023 or Spring 2024 semester, for the primary purpose of continuing work on their publications and/or book manuscript in an interdisciplinary environment. During this time, the professor will also be expected to:

- Produce or participate in a Matrix website feature (e.g., podcast, article).
- Help plan at least one <u>Matrix on Point</u> panel event or interdisciplinary workshop on a topic related to their research, with the assistance of additional funding support from Matrix.

We expect there will be four Matrix Faculty Fellows during the 2023-2024 academic year. Depending on the applications received, there may be overlapping themes among the fellows, and they may wish to work on collaborative projects.

Fellows must make arrangements for course release directly with the chair of their department. As a consideration for this reduction in teaching, a Faculty Fellow's department receives funds in accordance with general campus policy for course release.

Application Materials

Please complete an application using the format provided below. Applications should be uploaded as a PDF through the submission portal by **November 15, 2022, 11:59pm**. Link to submission portal: https://forms.gle/jVpFyUHqouSec5rz8.

| | Name (Last, First): | |
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| | Title: | |
| | Department: | |
| | E-mail address: | |
| Have you received Matrix funding as a team leader previously? Yes No | | |
| If yes, please indicate the semester(s) and title(s) of the Matrix Research Team: | | |

II. PROJECT OVERVIEW

Project Title (20-word limit):

I. CONTACT INFORMATION

Project Abstract (250-word limit): Please provide a descriptive summary of your project using clear language for a public audience, limiting the use of subject-specific jargon and technical terminology.

Event Description (250-word limit): Please provide a summary of the Matrix on Point or mini-conference event that you would like to hold in conjunction with this fellowship. Please name a theme and potential participants.

III. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Detailed description of proposed work, its methods, and its significance to a broad social science audience. Please limit the description to 1500 words max.

IV. CURRICULUM VITAE

V. <u>LETTER OF SUPPORT</u>: A letter of support from the department chair, sent under separate cover, accepting the terms of the course release. The letter should be addressed to Marion Fourcade, Director of Social Science Matrix, at fourcade@berkeley.edu.