## MINORITY SERVING INSTITUTION VIRTUAL BOOK WORKSHOP PROJECT - APPLY NOW!

Book workshops produce great books, but too few scholars have access to the resources needed to organize and execute one, especially scholars at Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Hispanic Serving Institutions, Asian American and Pacific Islander Serving Institutions, and Tribal Colleges and Universities. This inequity harms faculty who have dedicated their careers to teaching at Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs).

During the 2021 American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, a new project launched to support virtual book workshops for scholars at Minority-Serving Institutions (MSI) in the United States. The goal of the MSI Virtual Book Workshop Project is to help scholars of politics at MSIs improve completed manuscripts and publish great books. Workshops of expert reviewers will give authors extensive feedback to improve a completed manuscript as well as insights into the publication process.

Established as a partnership between Howard University and John Jay College CUNY and supported by Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, NYU Press, Columbia University Press, Princeton University Press and the American Political Science Association, the first grants will be awarded to organize virtual workshops in summer 2022. The program is currently accepting applications with a deadline of Friday, January 14, 2021, at this link: <a href="https://apsa.secure-platform.com/a/solicitations/68/home">https://apsa.secure-platform.com/a/solicitations/68/home</a>.

Howard University professor, Dr. Niambi Carter, and John Jay College professor, Dr. Heath Brown, co-direct the project and have organized a review board to select deserving manuscripts for the competitive awards across fields of study. The board includes: Sekou Franklin (Middle Tennessee State University), Jane Junn (University of Southern California), Cyril Ghosh (Wagner College), Heath Fogg Davis (Temple University), Lilly Goren (Carroll University), and Michael Miller (Social Science Research Council).

## **HOW TO APPLY**

The award is open to scholars who have completed a book manuscript primarily focused on the study of politics and who currently work at a US-based Minority Serving Institution are eligible for the award. Junior and senior scholars in a variety of departments, not just political science, are encouraged to apply. This award is also not limited to scholars in a tenure track position.

Awardees will receive support to organize a virtual book workshop in summer 2022. A \$2,000 award will be used to provide four expert reviewers an honorarium for their participation in the workshops. Learn more about the MSI Virtual Book Workshop at <a href="https://www.apsanet.org/divresources/MSI-book-workshop">https://www.apsanet.org/divresources/MSI-book-workshop</a>.

Drs. Carter and Brown also have begun to assemble a list of scholars and editors interested in serving as reviewers for the first round of workshops. Please contact Dr. Carter at <a href="mailto:niambi.carter@howard.edu">niambi.carter@howard.edu</a> and Dr. Brown at <a href="mailto:hbrown@jjay.cuny.edu">hbrown@jjay.cuny.edu</a> with questions about the program or to indicate interest in serving as a reviewer.

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