TERMS OF APPOINTMENT

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants should hold a PhD or demonstrate equivalent professional experience. They may come from the academic or museum worlds, or from other professional backgrounds, and may be residents of any country. They may be employed, full- or part-time, or be independent scholars, curators, and/or critics. The Clark does not award pre-doctoral fellowships.

FUNDING

Fellowships are awarded on a scale related to need and earnings, up to a maximum rate of $30,000 per semester. Travel to and from the Clark will be reimbursed for the scholar and an accompanying family member. Fellows’ tax liability to the United States government will be considered in accordance with the tax regulations of the Internal Revenue Service on a case-by-case basis.

HOUSING

Fellows are normally provided with an apartment in a recently refurbished and expanded late-nineteenth-century house across the street from the Clark campus. Six apartments are available, ranging in size from one to two bedrooms, with additional common spaces. Each apartment is fully furnished and linked to the Clark’s computer network. Accommodation and services, except long-distance telephone, will be provided by the Clark. Pets are not permitted in the Scholars’ Residence. No smoking is permitted inside any Clark building.

OFFICES

Fellows are provided with a private office in the Manton Research Center, accessible from 8 am until 11 pm (early closing times on weekends). Computers and IT support will be provided upon request.

LIBRARIES

Fellows’ offices are located in the Clark library, providing ready access to its holdings of more than 275,000 volumes in 65 languages and 700 periodical titles that represent strengths in post-medieval European and American art but also in the contemporary arts of Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East. Fellows also have access to libraries across the country through a strong interlibrary loan program, as well as borrower’s privileges at the Williams College libraries.
VISAS

It is expected that all fellows be in good standing with the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) and have authorization [a J-1 Visa] from the INS that permits a fellow to engage in the activities for which he or she has been designated a Clark Fellow. In applicable circumstances, the Clark can facilitate this standing by providing fellows with the documents required to initiate the authorization process.

ART COLLECTIONS

Fellows have access to the Clark’s collections of paintings, sculpture, prints, drawings, photographs, silver, ceramics, and furniture from 10 am to 5 pm, Tuesday through Sunday. Objects not on public display can often be viewed by appointment. The Williams College Museum of Art is nearby, and the Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art (MASS MoCA) is located in North Adams, a short distance away.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Fellows have the assistance of a student from the Graduate Program in the History of Art, co-sponsored with Williams College.

OBLIGATIONS

Fellows are expected to reside in Williamstown, to have lunch and dinner with other fellows twice a month, and to participate in the intellectual life of the Clark, typically presenting one public lecture and/or a small individual seminar during their stay (those fellows who stay a month or less may be exempted).

OPPORTUNITIES

Fellows will be able to take advantage of the opportunity for exchange with a number of associated institutions, which include the Williamstown Art Conservation Center (housed at the Lunder Center on the Clark campus), Williams College, MASS MoCA, and the Williams Graduate Program in the History of Art.