

Birgit Baldwin Fellowship in Scandinavian Studies

APPLICATION 2010-2011

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

A completed application for the Birgit Baldwin Fellowship includes the materials listed below, all of which must be received by 1 November, 2010. Application materials should be sent to sass.baldwin.fellowship@gmail.com. Where e-mail is not possible, please send materials to:

SASS – Baldwin Fellowship
3168 JFSB
Brigham Young University
Provo, UT 84602

1. The included cover sheet.
2. A curriculum vitae of no more than 3 pages.
3. A complete set of graduate and undergraduate transcripts.
4. A description, no more than 1,000 words, of your project. Explain your need to work in Scandinavia (the Nordic region), and the methodology, feasibility, and significance of your proposed dissertation.
5. A one-and-a-half to two-page bibliography illustrative of the classic—as well as the most current—sources relevant to your project.
6. A letter of invitation from an archive or research institution in the Nordic countries, confirming permission to access the necessary research materials during the proposed period of stay.
7. A completed budget form for your research and stay in Scandinavia (the Nordic region).
8. Sent separately: Letters of recommendation from two scholars who are familiar with your work, at least one of whom should be from your university. The letters should assess your competency (including linguistic competencies listed on the cover sheet), the quality of your previous work, and the significance of the proposed dissertation. The applicant should request that the letters of recommendation be sent electronically as .pdf files to sass.baldwin.fellowship@gmail.com.

For hard-copy submissions, please note that the deadline is for delivery at our office, not for postmark. We will notify you by e-mail when we receive your application materials, including letters of recommendation.

MEDICAL INSURANCE INSTRUCTIONS

In most cases, Birgit Baldwin Fellowship recipients will be required to enroll in an international medical insurance policy for the duration of their stay in the Nordic countries. In order to estimate the cost of such insurance as required for the fellowship application form, we recommend that applicants consult the website:

<http://www.globalcover.com/>. After being offered the fellowship and accepting it, the recipient will be contacted by the secretary-treasurer of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study regarding insurance. The recipient should then make arrangements for medical insurance in consultation with the secretary-treasurer. SASS will issue the first fellowship check only after receiving a copy of the medical insurance policy and approving it.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

University _____

Department Affiliation _____

Current Academic Status _____

Working Title of Dissertation: _____

Anticipated Dates and Locations of Research _____

Names of Two Referees _____

What language competencies will be necessary for your research, in order of importance?

Language 1 _____

Language 2 _____

Language 3 _____

Language 4 _____

Which of the following is an accurate description of your abilities? Check all that apply.

Reading Skills

L1 L2 L3 L4

Native

I read easily and accurately, with only occasional use of a dictionary

I read with good comprehension, but always need a dictionary

I can work through a text slowly with a dictionary

I need further instruction to access the written language efficiently

I have experience with non-standard forms (manuscript, Gothic, dialect)

Oral/Aural Fluency

L1 L2 L3 L4

Native

I can participate in a general conversation

I can discuss my special research topic in the target language

I am fluent in everyday conversation skills

I need further instruction to improve my skills

Signature: _____ Date: _____

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCANDINAVIAN STUDY

[HTTP://WWW.SCANDINAVIANSTUDY.ORG/](http://www.scandinavianstudy.org/)

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THE BIRGIT BALDWIN FELLOWSHIP provides \$20,000 toward the recipient's travel, research, and living expenses. Please estimate your expenses as accurately as possible, demonstrating how you foresee using the fellowship funds. At mid-point and at the end of the fellowship period, recipients will be asked to submit, along with a progress report, a report showing how the funds were used. Fellowship funds will be disbursed in two checks.

Travel to Scandinavia (the Nordic region):

Round-trip airfare from _____
to _____
Approximate dates _____
Approximate cost _____

Travel within the Nordic region: List potential destinations (including relevant conferences) and modes of transportation

Cost: _____

Research expenses: Books, conferences, copying, computer costs, supplies, postage, etc.

Cost: _____

Living expenses: Food, lodging, insurance, personal expenses, etc. Please note that fellowship recipients are required to have medical insurance for at least the first six weeks in the Nordic countries, and in some instances for the entire stay. For requirements in each country, see "Medical Insurance Instructions," above.

Cost: _____

Total estimated expenses: _____

Please indicate other funding for which you have applied for this same period and project

