

## Helen Ann Mins Robbins Fellowship

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[Helen Ann Mins Robbins](#) and [Russell Hope Robbins](#) established a fellowship to provide a period of research at the Russell Hope Robbins Library for a woman working on completing a dissertation project in medieval studies. Past fellows have worked on medieval clothing, Jews in medieval England, the Arthurian legend, courtesy books and manners, female advice figures, and manuscript unity.

The fellowship is granted every other academic year, and the award is \$20,000.

The recipient must be in residence in Rochester and making use of the Robbins Library for the academic year (up to twelve months). She must provide for her own living and travel expenses from the award, and provide her own health care. She is expected to engage in the academic life of the University. Towards the end of her residency, she will be required to give a lecture based on her research.

The ability of the [Robbins Library](#) to support research in the area of the dissertation will be a factor in choosing the recipient of the fellowship. The Robbins Library has outstanding holdings in medieval English literature including but not limited to Chaucer, the Middle English lyric, medieval romance, and general Old and Middle English literature and has considerable holdings in medieval British history and culture. We support a number of important scholarly projects: the TEAMS Middle English Texts Series (General Editor, Russell Peck); the Chaucer Bibliographies (General Editor, Thomas Hahn); and The Camelot Project (General Editors, Alan Lupack and Barbara Tapa Lupack).

The application includes:

1. The completed [Application for the Helen Ann Mins Robbins Fellowship](#)
2. A CV (including graduate courses taken, and publications and presentations, if relevant)
3. A narrative of 750-1000 words describing your dissertation, outlining the appropriateness of the Robbins Library to the work you are doing, and adding any other observations you have including comment on the benefit of the period of research free of other obligations that the fellowship would allow
4. Two (2) letters of support: one from the director of the dissertation and one other graduate faculty member (to arrive no later than the application deadline).

The deadline for applications for the 2016/17 academic year is **April 1, 2016**.

Please send queries and applications (including letters of recommendation) to:

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