The Hodges Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship

Purpose:
The Hodges Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships are designed to encourage and support original and significant studies exploring the complexities of human orientation. Orientation precedes everything else, all perceiving, thinking, and acting, and its conditions and structures may thus be explored from various disciplinary viewpoints and methodological approaches. The Hodges Foundation for Philosophical Orientation (HFPO) primarily supports innovative dissertations in the wider field of philosophical scholarship, but also outstanding projects in any academic field (in the humanities, the social sciences, as well as the natural sciences, including biology, psychology, sociology, or astrophysics) if they produce philosophically significant insights regarding the research of orientation. Projects may involve, but are not limited to, philosophical reorientations in history and today; the structures of human orientation in space and time; memory studies and brain research; the economic, political, communicative, religious, or ethical dimensions of decision-making; global reorientations connected with the Anthropocene and the digital transformations of the world. The HFPO is especially committed to supporting courageous reorientations in philosophy and beyond.

Details:
The Hodges Fellowships are provided to doctoral candidates at academic institutions located in the USA or worldwide who will work on their dissertations during the academic year 2021-2022. Dissertations must be written in English and connect with the philosophy of orientation. In the current competition, fellowships of $30,000 will be awarded for 12 months of full-time dissertation writing. The Hodges Fellows’ graduate schools will be asked to waive tuition and/or remit a portion of their fees. The deadline for submissions is April 30, 2021.

Eligibility:
- No citizenship restrictions
- Candidates must be in the writing stage of their dissertation by the time the fellowship starts; this means all pre-dissertation requirements must be complete by the start date. If the candidate has not yet defended his dissertation proposal when submitting the application, the letters of recommendation must testify that the candidate will do so before the time of the award.
- Candidates must submit an abstract (300 words), a project proposal (2,500 words), a CV, and two letters of recommendation.

For more information, please see visit hfpo.com/fellowship, or contact Dr. Reinhard Mueller, Executive Director of the HFPO at reinhard.mueller@hfpo.com