Call for Applications


Purpose and Structure

*Born-Digital Scholarly Publishing: Resources and Roadmaps* supports scholars who wish to pursue interpretive projects that require digital expression and are intended for publication by a scholarly press, but who lack resources and capacity at their home institutions. Projects must be conceived of as born-digital, or digital-first. The Institute does not support digitization projects or the development of supplemental websites for print books, but rather publication projects anchored by an original, longform narrative. The Institute will train a cohort of 15 scholars – including unaffiliated scholars, adjunct professors, and part-time faculty from a range of disciplines, institution type, and geographical location – in best practices unique to the development of digital scholarly publications. The cohort will be supported by a faculty composed of authors of published or in-progress enhanced digital monographs and digital publishing experts from university presses and the Brown University Library.

The Institute has been organized as a hybrid, multi-phased training and mentoring program:

- A two-week virtual course will introduce participants to resources, considerations, and strategies for digital publishing (July 11–22, 2022).
- A one-week in-person workshop will yield individualized roadmaps for cohort projects (July 25–29, 2022).
- Two two-day virtual check-ins will extend individualized project support (Oct. 2022 and Jan. 2023).
Eligibility

The application is open to scholars of all ranks, including university faculty and adjuncts, postdoctoral researchers, and independent scholars. Applicants must have a Ph.D.

Brown University Library is a member of the HBCU Library Alliance. Based on this affiliation, some slots will be reserved for participants from member institutions.

Applicants based in any country are welcome, though the NEH Institutes for Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities (IATDH) program focuses on scholars currently studying or employed at institutions in the U.S. Thus, U.S. citizens and/or U.S.-based scholars will be given priority. International applicants and/or persons without a current U.S. visa should note that, if selected and if an in-person meeting is possible, a visa cannot be guaranteed.

How to Apply

The following materials should be sent to Allison Levy, Digital Scholarship Editor, Brown University Library (digitalpublishing@brown.edu), no later than March 15, 2022:

- A statement (maximum 3 pages) that directly addresses the following questions:
  - Describe your digital monograph project. Why is the digital format necessary for advancing your argument? What is the current state of the project?
  - How would your project benefit from and contribute to a collaborative Institute experience?
  - How will your participation in the Institute contribute to expanding digital scholarship at your institution or in your field?

- A current C.V.

Notification of Acceptance: April 15, 2022

*Depending on public health guidelines related to COVID-19, plans for in-person training are subject to change.*