

Mediterranean Studies Association annual Grant for Faculty Research

DESCRIPTION OF GRANT

The Mediterranean Studies Association annual Grant for Faculty Research supports research projects in the field of Mediterranean studies with an award of \$3000. The grant supports teaching faculty from disciplines of the humanities, arts and allied social sciences who are cooperating across disciplines and across national borders on a research project that will enhance our understanding of the Mediterranean region, its history and its influence beyond its borders. Applications for the 2026 award are due on February 1, 2026. Recipients of the 2026 award will be announced at the Annual Mediterranean Studies Association Congress in May 2026.

PURPOSE OF GRANT

The purpose of this grant is to support interdisciplinary and international research in the field of Mediterranean studies. The grant funds projects that show promise for enhancing our understanding of the Mediterranean region, its history, and its influence beyond its borders, not only in academic contexts, but also in the public sphere.

APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT

Applications should provide a clear description of the project, including:

1. a narrative of the proposed project, outlining its interdisciplinary structure, how it addresses the purpose of the grant, and how the expertise of the project participants will support the grant purpose.
2. a plan of action with a timetable for executing the project.
3. a budget for the project.

Applications are submitted to the MSA Grant Committee. Applications for the 2026 grant are due on February 1, 2026. The application form and instructions for submitting applications are accessible through the MSA Website. Applicants may request a proposal review by the Grant Committee before submitting their final application.

ELIGIBILITY FOR GRANT

Applicants are members in good standing of the MSA.

Applicants name a Project Director who will be the point of contact between the project participants and the Grant Committee. The Project Director is affiliated with an institution of post-secondary education.

Applicants submit periodic financial reports to the Grant Committee on dates determined by the Project Director and the Grant Committee. At the conclusion of the grant period, applicants submit a final report on the project, including an expense accounting and program outcomes.

Applicants submit a follow-up report to the Grant Committee one year after the conclusion of the grant period. This report gathers evidence from all project participants of longer-range effects of the grant on academic and public understanding and appreciation of research in the field of Mediterranean studies.

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

Grant money may be used for:

- 1. travel expenses for project participants;**
- 2. supplies or technology necessary to carry out project objectives;**
- 3. student assistance for research that carries out program objectives;**
- 4. clerical assistance with digitization or reproduction of materials that carry out program objectives;**

Grant money may not be used for:

- 1. electronic devices, computer hardware, or other office equipment.**
- 2. expenses already covered by some other financial resource.**
- 3. salaries.**