Call for Applications
NEH Institute Proctorship
Summer 2024

Hosted by the University Library’s Center for Digital Scholarship, the Brown University Digital Publications proctorship program offers advanced doctoral students hands-on experience with digital scholarship development and academic publishing.

BUDP – a collaboration between the University Library and the Dean of the Faculty, launched with generous support from the Mellon Foundation with additional funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Institute of Museum and Library Services – has established a novel, university-based approach to the development, evaluation, and publication of born-digital scholarly monographs. Extending the University’s mission of supporting and promoting the scholarship of its faculty, BUDP also plays a role in shaping the future of digital scholarship in the humanities.

A special opportunity will be offered in Summer 2024 in support of an NEH Institute on Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities, Born-Digital Scholarly Publishing: Resources and Roadmaps.

Building on the resounding success of our inaugural training institute (summer 2022), Brown University Library will again offer a three-week summer institute with hybrid virtual and in-person components. The institute will provide 15 humanities scholars from all career levels and across disciplines with in-depth knowledge of the digital publishing process, familiarity with open source tools and platforms, advanced project management skills, concrete and individualized plans for project advancement, and top-level publishing industry contacts.

Responsibilities:
As a member of the support staff, the proctor will assist the Director/Project Director and Assistant Editor in populating the institute website with program content, conducting faculty briefings on participants’ projects, communicating with participants and faculty as well as assisting with other outreach efforts, managing logistical arrangements, and providing coordination support throughout the institute.

This is a full-time summer appointment. The proctor will work up to 20 hours/week on average, and is expected to be fully available during the Institute (July 8–23, 2024).
By working closely with the institute staff on finalizing program content and by attending all institute sessions and workshops, the proctor will gain in-depth knowledge of current practices and debates surrounding the development of enhanced born-digital publications. The proctor will also build analytical, creative problem-solving, and project-management skills.

Feedback on the proctorship is required through the Proctorships Experience Survey administered at the end of each semester.

**Eligibility:**
Advanced doctoral candidates in the humanities and humanistic social sciences who in Summer 2024 will be rising 4th through 6th years are eligible to apply.

**Funding and Award:**
The University Library will provide a stipend and a health services fee, if applicable.

**How to Apply:**
The following materials should be sent to Director Allison Levy (Allison_Levy@brown.edu):

- Statement of Purpose (maximum 2 pages) detailing:
  - Current status as a graduate student (year, expected graduation date, competing employment or academic demands expected in Summer 2024);
  - Your interest in the position
- Current CV
- Letter of recommendation sent directly to Allison Levy by the applicant’s faculty research advisor
- Short message of support sent directly to Allison Levy by the applicant’s Director of Graduate Studies

**Application deadline: April 1, 2024**
Questions about this proctorship should be directed to Director Allison Levy (Allison_Levy@brown.edu).