

Social Science Research Council

Committee on Social Science Personnel

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We have been informed that you are in a position to give significant information concerning the qualifications of the applicant named above for a pre-doctoral field fellowship. A report from you covering the points raised on both sides of the second sheet of this folder will be of material assistance to our Committee in their consideration of his application. The Committee hope you will be willing to rate the applicant in comparison with other advanced graduate students not over 30 years of age with whose work you are familiar with regard to the qualities listed and the scale suggested on the back of this page. A copy of the candidate's proposed program of study is enclosed, which please RETURN with your comments.

Your report will be held strictly confidential. In order that it may be duplicated and sent to the members of the Committee well in advance of the meeting at which awards will be made, it should be in our hands as soon as conveniently possible, and not later than FEBRUARY 25.

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We are asking that you rate the applicant on a percentage scale and request that in making estimates of his ability under the several headings listed below, I. to IV., you attempt to express your judgment as nearly as possible in accordance with the following suggested comparisons:

That he falls within the top one per cent of all advanced graduate students not over 30 years of age with whom you have come in contact.

In the top two or three per cent.

In the top six or seven per cent.

In the upper fifth.

In the upper third.

In the upper half.

In the lower half.

Your ratings with regard to the following list of qualities can be expressed by check marks in the proper boxes on the opposite page. Discussion and illustration of reasons for your ratings are invited under "Remarks" on the same page.

I. *Intellectual equipment:* The Committee are interested in knowing whether the candidate possesses an active and usable knowledge of his chosen research field, not in terms of courses taken, but in terms of techniques of investigation which give power of attack and diversity of approach. Does his past work indicate scientific competence and integrity? Are his intellectual interests and background such that he may be expected to give proper recognition to the relation of his research to that of others in adjoining fields?

II. *Originality:* Is there a reasonable likelihood that the candidate will extend the boundaries of his field, or is his ability limited to the application of old methods to new data? Has he shown ingenuity, fertility and creativeness in attacking research problems, or is he merely a follower?

III. *Ability to organize and interpret data:* Has the candidate shown ability to grasp the essential elements from an assemblage of facts and thus to recognize hitherto undiscovered relationships? Does he possess the ability, sense of value, focus, and perspective to evolve a systematic approach to a problem without dependence on others?

IV. *Zeal for investigation:* Is it probable that his research drive will continue after the usual academic and pecuniary incentives for promotion or advancement have lost their force?



PRE-DOCTORAL FIELD FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

Six typewritten copies of the application, together with the seven typewritten copies of the supplementary statements requested in Items 17 and 18, must be filed by February first with the

Fellowship Secretary
SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL
230 PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

1. Name..... Date of birth.....

2. Address.....
..... Telephone number.....

3. Married: Yes..... No..... Number of dependent children.....

4. Number and relationship of other dependents.....

5. Place of birth..... Citizen of U. S..... Canada.....

6. Major department of graduate study..... Institution.....
Intended field of specialization for thesis and later research.....

7. Present position, if any.....
Institution..... Total annual income \$.....

8. When will you have completed all requirements for the Ph.D. with the exception of the thesis and such examinations as *must* be postponed until your thesis is accepted?
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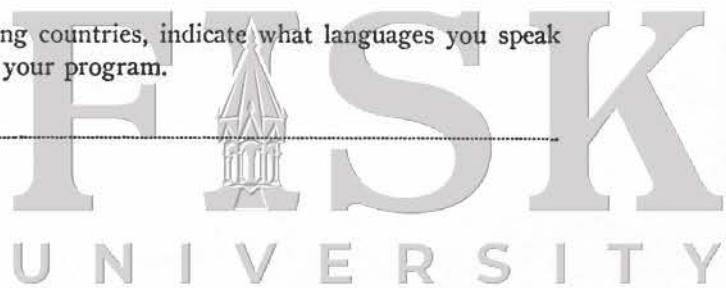
If awarded a fellowship, on what date would you expect to take your degree?.....
(Month) (Year)

9. Concise description of proposed field program.....
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10. Principal place or places of proposed study.....
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11. What foreign languages do you read with facility?.....

12. If you plan to do field work in other than English speaking countries, indicate what languages you speak adequately for technical interviewing in connection with your program.
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13. When would you prefer to begin this program of work?.....

How long a period would you prefer to devote to it?.....
(Not less than 9 nor more than 12 months)

14. Are you applying for financial aid elsewhere?.....If so, give name and address of institution

15. Have you any constitutional disorder or physical disability?.....

16. References: (Give names, positions and addresses of three persons best able to speak of your qualifications for research.)

17. IMPORTANT: With this application send *seven clearly legible typewritten copies* of a detailed statement of your program of study (not more than four pages in length) under the following headings and in the order mentioned:

(a) Brief description of plans for Ph.D. thesis and later research.

(b) Proposed field program:
Objectives of program
Place or places of work
Methods and procedures.

N.B. The field program need not be related to the Ph.D. thesis and MUST NOT include provision for its writing.

18. Append also *seven clearly legible typewritten copies* of a *separate* statement of:

(a) A chronological record of colleges and universities attended (with dates and degrees), of positions held (with salary), and of independent study, research and foreign travel to date. Mention also any academic or professional prizes, fellowships and other honors you have been awarded.

(b) A complete list of the men under whom you have taken graduate courses and with whom you have been in any way associated in research. The titles of the courses or some other brief indication of their content and the nature of the research should be mentioned in each case.

(c) Your publications, if any, with names of publishers of books and complete citations of articles and monographs. State whether copies of each of these are available for submission, if requested.

19. An official transcript of your complete undergraduate record and of your graduate record to date *must* be in the Fellowship Secretary's hands before February 1.

A letter from the Dean of the graduate school in which you are enrolled certifying that you have completed all requirements for the Ph.D. except your thesis and such examinations as must be postponed until your thesis is accepted, must be on file by July 1, to make an award final.

Date..... Signature.....



SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL

Committee on Social Science Personnel

Fellowship candidate:

Report on application for
Pre-Doctoral Field Fellowship

Report by:

Please indicate your rating of the candidate in respect to the qualities listed below by check marks in the boxes which correspond to your opinion. (See suggestions for guidance in rating on opposite page). It is requested that you give such information as may be available in explanation of your ratings under "Remarks" below.

	Top one per cent	Top two or three per cent	Top six or seven per cent	Upper fifth	Upper third	Upper half	Lower half
I. Intellectual equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
II. Originality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
III. Ability to organize and interpret data	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
IV. Zeal for investigation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Remarks:

The Committee hopes you will be willing to rate the applicant in comparison with other advanced graduate students not over 10 years of age with whom work you are familiar with regard to the qualities listed and the scale suggested on the back of this page. A copy of the candidate's proposed program of study is enclosed, which please RETURN with your comments.

Your report will be held strictly confidential. In order that it may be deposited and read at the discretion of the Committee will in advance of the meeting at which awards will be made it should be in our hands as soon as conveniently possible, please return this form by FEBRUARY 21.

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(Detach here and return this sheet together with the enclosed copy of the candidate's proposed program of study)

Social characteristics: Is the candidate free from personality handicaps which would make it difficult for him to obtain and hold a position giving him opportunity to utilize his research abilities? Is he able to make and maintain adequate contacts with others in his field and to obtain data from people in authority in other walks of life? Please indicate your rating of the candidate in respect to this quality, by check mark in the box corresponding to your opinion.

Personality a positive asset		Entirely satisfactory		Some difficulty		Objectionable	
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Physical vitality: Does the candidate have any physical handicaps which would interfere with a research career?

Satisfactory		Some difficulty	
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If you have any doubts concerning the rating of the candidate with regard to either social characteristics or physical vitality, please explain:

A summary of the applicant's proposed fellowship program of study is enclosed. Please give your opinion concerning its (a) feasibility and (b) merits as a means for further developing the candidate's research possibilities. The Council is interested in the development of promising research personnel rather than in the immediate execution of specific pieces of research. Please state your reasons for believing that the plan is a genuine *field training program* designed to provide a year's experiential work with the purpose of assuring a realistic basis for later research, and not a research project emphasizing primarily the collection of data for later publication:

- I. **Feasibility:** Is there a reasonable likelihood that the proposed program will be carried out? Is the candidate's ability to carry out the program limited to the application of his knowledge to new data? Has he shown ingenuity, flexibility and originality in attacking research problems, or is he merely a follower?
- II. **Ability to organize and interpret data:** Has the candidate shown ability to grasp the essential elements from an abundance of facts and thus to recognize significant relationships? Does he possess the ability, sense of value, focus, and perspective which are essential to a prudent selection, dependence, or others?
- III. **Field training program:** Is it probable that the research effort will be carried out in a field setting and primary literature for publication or dissemination have been done?



Signed _____ Date _____