

JULIUS ROSENWALD FUND

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Application and accompanying documents should be filed as early as possible for the convenience of the Committee on Fellowships, preferably during the early autumn. No application can be considered by the Committee unless the completely filled-out blank and all of the materials requested reach the Director for Fellowships by January 1, 1947.

Negro

White Southerner

Name in full..... Blyden Jackson

Present address..... Fisk University, Nashville 8, Tennessee

Permanent address..... 1651 Hale Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky

Present position (be specific)..... Assistant Professor of English and Director of the Writing Laboratory

Institution or organization..... Fisk University..... Annual salary..... \$2760

Address..... Fisk University, Nashville 8, Tennessee

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Specific Field..... English

Concise statement of plan of work..... To do a critical study of James Weldon Johnson and his period.

Dates of period for which grant is desired..... For the academic year of 1947-48.

What is your estimate of the total duration of the proposed project?..... Two years

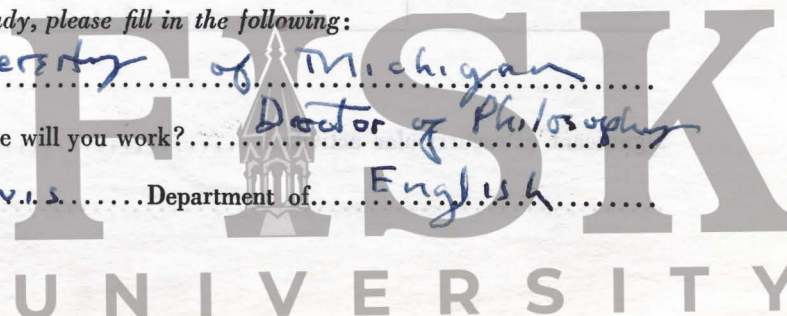
Will you return to your present position?..... I hope to. If not, for what position do you seek further training?.....

If you contemplate graduate study, please fill in the following:

What institution do you wish to attend?..... University of Michigan

Have you been admitted?..... Yes..... For what degree will you work?..... Doctor of Philosophy

Under whose supervision?..... Dr. Joe Lee Davis..... Department of..... English



Personal History

Place of birth..... Paducah, Kentucky..... Date of birth..... October 12, 1910

Single, married, widowed, divorced..... Single

Name and address of wife or husband.....

Occupation and salary of wife or husband.....

Number and ages of children.....

Dependents..... None To what extent?..... Relationship.....

Have you any constitutional disorder or physical disability?..... None

(The Committee on Fellowships reserves the right to require a full physical examination.)

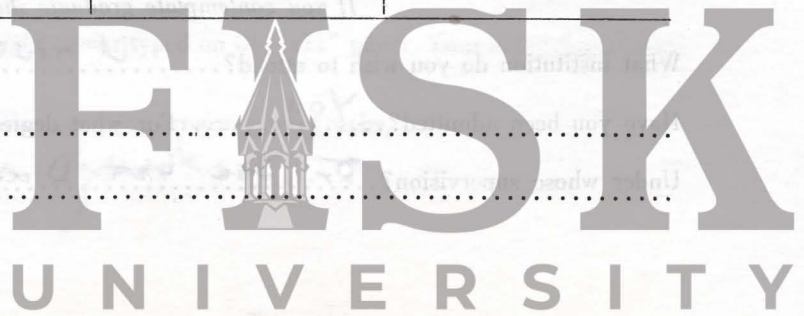
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Education

One official transcript of your college and university records together with five copies must be submitted with your application. (Copies may be typed by the applicant.)

| | Name of Institution | Period of Study (Give dates) | Degrees, Diplomas, Certificates (Give dates) |
|---------------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| Undergraduate | Wilberforce University | 1925-1930 | A.B. |
| Graduate | University of Michigan | Summer sessions 1935-36-37-38-39-40-46 | A.M. |
| Professional or technical | | | |
| Special study | | | |

Significant extracurricular activities.....



Experience

Give record chronologically.

| Institution or Organization | Address | Position | Inclusive Dates | Annual Salary |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Louisville Public Schools | Louisville, Ky. | Teacher of English (Writing) | 1934-1945 | Approx. \$2400 (not reported) |
| Fisk University | Nashville 8, Tenn. | Asst. Prof. of English | 1945 - | \$2760 |
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Accomplishments

1. Of what learned, scientific, or artistic societies are you a member?

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2. What research or creative work have you done? (If in business or a profession, give evidence of standing and achievements.)

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3. Publications (Books and articles. Give title, date, and publisher.) In 1945 issues of the Sphinx (published by AFA Federally): (1) "The Body of Osiris," (2) "Immortal Longings"; in 1946 issue of Sphinx, "Not Just for Fun." Three book reviews in the Louisville Courier-Journal, in 1945-'46, a review of Mark Harris' Trumpet to the World in PV in a spring, 1946 issue; two reviews, "The Silver Foxes", and another in The Journal of Negro Education, Fall, 1946. "If Casual People," Friends' Intelligencer (published by Society of Friends), a summer number, 1946, etc.

4. List scholarships or fellowships you have previously held or now hold, stating in each case the place and period of tenure, the studies pursued during your incumbency, and the amount of the stipend.

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Budget Estimate

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| Room and board..... | \$ 850 |
| Clothing | 125 |
| Insurance | 40 |
| Tuition | 200 |
| Transportation <small>This is only to and from Mich. in</small> | 50 |
| Miscellaneous <small>Most of this would be transportation</small> | 500 |
| | \$ 1765 |

(Are you eligible for GI Bill benefits?)
 Yes..... No. No....

Total amount needed \$ 1765
 Amount applicant can provide \$ None
 Amount requested from Fund \$ 1700

If you have applied or expect to apply elsewhere for any fellowship for the same period (which is, of course, permissible), state the facts regarding such application.

I expect to apply also for a University Fellowship at Michigan. This fellowship pays a thousand dollars annually. I have no way of knowing my chances for it. References are available for the whole student body.

List references, preferably five, from whom confidential information may be obtained concerning your professional qualifications and from whom expert opinion may be obtained as to the value and practicability of your proposed plan of work.

| Name of Reference | Position | Address |
|---------------------------------|--|--|
| <u>x A. A. Taylor</u> | <u>Dean, Fisk University</u> | <u>Nashville 8, Tenn.</u> |
| <u>Anna Bontemps</u> | <u>Librarian, Fisk University</u> | <u>Nashville 8, Tenn.</u> |
| <u>x Dr. Louis L. Brebold</u> | <u>Head of English Dept., U. of Michigan</u> | <u>Angell Hall, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.</u> |
| <u>x Dr. Joe Lee Davis</u> | <u>Dept. of English, U. of Michigan</u> | <u>See above.</u> |
| <u>x Dr. Paul Mueschke</u> | <u>Dept. of English U. of Michigan</u> | <u>See above</u> |
| <u>Dr. J. G. McGinnis</u> | <u>Milberforce University</u> | <u>Milberforce, Ohio</u> |

Statement of Plan of Work

Submit a statement giving detailed plans for your work during the tenure of your fellowship. This statement should include: (1) a full description of the project, including its character, scope, and significance; (2) the present state of the project (time of commencement, progress to date, etc.) and expectation as to completion; (3) the proposed university, institution of similar grade, or other place where work would be carried on, and the authorities with whom it would be done; (4) your expectation as to publication or use of the results of your study; (5) subsequent plans for your career.

Your plan of work should be carefully prepared. Submit *eight copies* typed on 8 1/2" x 11" paper. Your name should be on each sheet.

Please enclose with this application six passport-size photographs.

SIGNATURE Blyden Jackson

