



2025 RSVP Digital Event

Grantsgrafting Workshop: Applying for a Curran Fellowship

Chat Transcript

10:04:41 From RSVP Host : Curran Fellowship info available here:

<https://rs4vp.org/awards/curran-fellowship/>

10:07:03 From RSVP Host : Welcome! Posting Curran Fellowship link again

<https://rs4vp.org/awards/curran-fellowship/>

10:11:27 From Bethany Qualls : The ... dark side???

10:17:04 From Kaari Newman : Here are the guidelines Jim is referencing:

<https://rs4vp.org/awards/curran-fellowship/guidelines/>

10:23:30 From Kaari Newman : Yes, here it is:

<https://youtu.be/kj3UFMm68nw?feature=shared>

10:25:08 From Bethany Qualls : Great question Sarah!

10:27:06 From Bethany Qualls : there's also factoring in how long it takes to request things at the library

10:27:54 From outsider art : Helpful.

(No mic -- btw, miss Yorkshire!)

Question- Is narrative preferred over 'bullet points' in describing project?

10:28:04 From RSVP Host : Replying to "there's also factori..."

And sometimes there's a limit to how much material you can order in a day

10:29:41 From Kaari Newman : On the note of peer review, RSVP is trialing a mentorship program of senior periodical studies' scholars who have volunteered to discuss or read the draft of an applicant's Curran proposals (and note they have no input on the judging process). Those interested in

participating should contact our Communications Coordinator, Marion Grant, at <mailto:communications@rs4vp.org> TODAY!

10:34:50 From Sarah Bliss : Great question!

10:35:46 From Candace Ward : One thing I've noticed in the application is that there isn't a mention of an itemized budget/budget page.... Did I miss it?

10:36:06 From RSVP Host : Sometimes tables can work well within a narrative — especially for budget and timeline

10:36:14 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "Sometimes tables c..." with 👍

10:36:59 From Bethany Qualls : Thanks, I don't want to be that person, but it's like the market is WILD. but looking at it the fluctuations haven't been maybe quite as insane on a currency level:

<https://www.xe.com/currencycharts/?from=USD&to=EUR&view=2Y>

10:38:00 From Bethany Qualls : READ THE SYLLABUS

10:38:04 From Bethany Qualls : basically

10:38:22 From James Mussell : Reacted to "READ THE SYLLABUS" with ❤️

10:38:31 From Candace Ward : Reacted to "READ THE SYLLABUS" with 😂

10:38:36 From Kaari Newman : Replying to "One thing I've notic..."

Yes, we've updated the guidelines this cycle to ask specifically for an itemized budget (#5 in the Application Guidelines)

10:38:41 From Kaari Newman : Reacted to "READ THE SYLLABUS" with 😂

10:38:56 From Celeste Seifert : Reacted to "READ THE SYLLABUS" with ❤️

10:38:57 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "Yes, we've updated..." with 👍

10:39:01 From RSVP Host : Reacted to "Yes, we've updated t..." with 👍

10:39:09 From RSVP Host : Reacted to "READ THE SYLLABUS" with 😂

10:41:46 From Kaari Newman : I have also found "Garamond" is a font that is still easy/nice to read but also has smaller kerning than Times New Roman and can sometimes help 😊

10:43:30 From RSVP Host : And generally letter writers don't mind being prompted about what to address

10:44:14 From Lena Wångren : I have to head off, but big thanks for this helpful session. Have a lovely weekend all!

10:44:39 From Michael de Nie : Replying to "And generally letter..."

Good point!

10:45:23 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "I have to head off..." with ❤️

10:45:37 From outsider art : Doublecheck for stated font requirements/preferences. (Have had Garamond rejected as 'too small' in some instances.)

10:46:08 From RSVP Host : Better success rate than SSHRC however!

10:46:13 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "Better success rat..." with 👍

10:46:42 From Kaari Newman : You can find previous awardees and importantly, their REPORTS of what they did on our website, which can also be helpful when putting together your application:

<https://rs4vp.org/awards/curran-fellowship/past-fellows/>

10:46:49 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "You can find previ..." with 👍

10:46:53 From RSVP Host : 10 Curran Fellowships were given in 2025
<https://rs4vp.org/awards/curran-fellowship/>

10:46:57 From Clare Horrocks : Replying to "You can find previ..."

Thanks Kaari

10:47:04 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "10 Curran Fellowsh..." with 👍

10:48:51 From Priti Joshi : Replying to "You can find previou..."

Thanks, Alison: it WAS ten last year!

10:51:55 From Kaari Newman : I also appreciate how RSVP actually PROVIDES feedback. In other situations I had to reach out and ask for it, and often didn't hear back at all

10:52:11 From Candace Ward : Reacted to "I also appreciate ho..." with ❤️

10:52:16 From Helen Goodman : Reacted to "I also appreciate ho..." with 🙌

10:52:22 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "I also appreciate ..." with ❤️

10:52:27 From Celeste Seifert : Thank you all for this meeting! Really appreciate you all taking the time to explain this process.

10:52:31 From tarini bhamburkar : Reacted to "I also appreciate ho..." with 

10:52:32 From RSVP Host : Reacted to "Thank you all for th..." with 

10:52:35 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "Thank you all for ..." with 

10:53:10 From tarini bhamburkar : Thanks all, that was very useful!

10:53:22 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "Thanks all, that w..." with 

10:55:34 From Sarah Bliss : This was extremely helpful. Thank you all!

10:55:36 From Caroline Jones : That's been incredibly helpful - thank you so much everyone!

10:55:40 From RSVP Host : Reacted to "That's been incredib..." with 

10:55:40 From Hannah LeClair : Thanks, this was a great discussion!

10:55:42 From Kaari Newman : Yes! Applications due October 15!

10:56:04 From Gillian Walters : Thank you so much. A great session.

10:56:10 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "Thank you so much...." with 

10:56:15 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "Yes! Applications ..." with 

10:56:19 From Clare Horrocks : Reacted to "Thanks, this was a..." with 

10:56:22 From Helen Goodman : Thank you all for your really valuable advice on this. RSVP generosity as always 

10:56:28 From outsider art : Thank you!

10:56:36 From Mariana Rodriguez : Thank you so much!

10:56:41 From RSVP Host : Thanks all!