

AADHum Scholar 2018-2019

The African American History, Culture and Digital Humanities (AADHum) Initiative at the University of Maryland is pleased to announce we will be offering the AADHum Scholars program again for the 2018-2019 academic year due to generous support from the College of Arts and Humanities.

Last year, working with AADHum and [MITH](#) staff, [scholars](#) contributed to the AADHum [blog](#), participated in Digital Humanities Incubators and presented at AADHum's Workshop to receive detailed feedback on their black digital humanities projects. Scholars will also be presenting this fall at AADHum's national conference "[Intentionally Digital, Intentionally Black.](#)"

This year we will be soliciting applications for our new cohort of AADHum Scholars who will receive individualized assistance from AADHum and MITH staff to support the digital development of their scholarship including: syllabus transformation, in-progress digital project, or developing a digital component to a dissertation, article or book chapter. Scholars will also deepen their understanding of the role that design, ethics, DH tools, collaboration, and project management play in moving their black digital projects forward.

Finally, all Scholars will get an opportunity to present in the new AADHum Intensive session in the Spring for a chance to receive up to **\$5,000 - \$6,500 for summer research** (*50% AADHum Scholar funds and 50% matching department funds*). Our "Intensives" distill the most powerful elements of AADHum's hallmark activities —workshops, reading groups and incubators—to facilitate the creation of excellent digital humanities work.

Scholars must commit to participating in the following during the academic year:

- Attend 2 additional AADHum Intensives
- Attend 2 working group sessions
- Present in the AADHum Intensive pitch-competition
- Write a post for the AADHum blog
- Report on outcome of summer work in the following academic year

Scholars **must** present at an AADHum Intensive to be **eligible** to compete for summer funding.

Applicants must: submit a brief (500 words max) letter, a current CV and secure a letter of support committing to matching funds from their home department. Applications should be sent to aadh@umd.edu as a single PDF. In the letter, please specify how the applicant's current/proposed research, teaching, skills and background intersect with African American digital humanities. Applications are **due by November 12th.**

Successful applicants will receive notification by December 3. Applicants are also **strongly** encouraged to attend the year's opening session on September 24, at MITH from 2-3:00pm.