Shapiro Center Graduate Research Fellowship
Due December 7, 2015

The Shapiro Center for Research and Collaboration is seeking proposals from faculty in all departments to be mentors for a Graduate Research Fellow. Graduate Research Fellows are paid to assist faculty in their research. The Shapiro Center will support ten awards to incoming graduate students for the 2016/2017 academic years.

The Graduate Research Fellowship supports research culture and provides intellectual and financial support to graduate students. This Fellowship also supports faculty research while creating opportunities for mentorship and professional development in research based art practices.

A Fellow directly assists a faculty mentor in their research practice. A studio practice can be research, if there is a process that is recorded, examined, presented and shared to further knowledge in a field. A Fellow supports research but this work should not include duties such as cleaning, running errands, installing exhibitions or shipping artwork, etc.

Fellows will be chosen through the admissions process. They are incoming graduate students of exceptionally high caliber who demonstrate prior research experience or expertise. The fellowship is a $5000 award paid though SAIC Student Financial Aid at $20 per hour, supporting faculty for eight hours of work per week for one academic year. Work needs to be completed by the last day of Spring Semester 2017.

Faculty should submit a two-page proposal to be considered for a Fellow:

Page One:
- Faculty name and department
- 5 sentence or 1 short paragraph biography
- Description of the research project

Page Two:
- Job Description and desired skills. This section should provide a detailed work description for a high-level research award.

Criteria:
- The job description for the student is the most important criteria for this award.

Submissions should be sent to: Jaclyn Jacunski jjacun@saic.edu with an attached PDF or Word document by Monday, December 7, 2015. The Shapiro Center, past Fellows and Research Mentors will review the proposals. Faculty will be notified by January 10, 2016.