



Joan and Stanford Alexander Award

Application Guidelines

The Joan and Stanford Alexander Award provides \$5,000 grants each year to two doctoral candidates whose primary concentration is photography and who are currently working on a dissertation for an accredited academic institution. The grant will recognize scholarship of the highest caliber and promote excellence in the history of photography by supporting the completion of the recipient's dissertation. Any doctoral candidate who has completed all coursework and has started to research and/or write a dissertation is eligible to apply. The recipient of the grant may use the funds for travel, for research materials, or to set aside time to write.

Application deadline: January 15th.

Applications should be submitted via email in the order below, and must include the following in pdf or Microsoft Word format:

- Completed cover sheet (see the following page)
- Curriculum Vitae
- Description of the applicant's dissertation: *maximum of 500 words*, supplemented by up to 5 images
- Proposal of how grant funds would be used: *maximum of 500 words*
- Current official or unofficial transcript
- Proof that coursework has been or will be completed by June 1st of the application year
- Two or three letters of reference, at least one of which must be an academic reference, preferably the applicant's dissertation advisor

Applicants will be notified of the committee's decision in early April.

E-mail applications to: alexanderawards@mfa.org

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Application Cover Sheet

Name _____

Mailing address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

University _____

Department _____

Qualifying Exam topics _____

Title of dissertation _____

Dissertation advisor _____

Date that dissertation topic was approved _____

Expected date of completion _____

Other funding received for the dissertation, past or present:

Have you previously applied for an Alexander Award? No Yes, in 20_____

Reference names and emails:

Attach the following:

- Curriculum Vitae
- Dissertation description: maximum 500 words, with up to 5 images
- Proposal of how grant funds would be used: maximum 500 words
- Official or unofficial transcript
- Proof of completion of coursework