

## Post-doctoral resident fellowships — "Narratives of Power" — Rutgers University 2011-12

**The Rutgers Center for Historical Analysis invites applications from all disciplines for post-doctoral resident fellowships to be held during the academic year of 2011-2012 from individuals working on topics related to Narratives of Power.**

Inspired by the election of Barack Obama, this two-year seminar invites a broad historical meditation on the significance of historically marginal and disfranchised groups moving from the periphery to the center of social, political and cultural institutions. This topical theme creates an opportunity for an expansive, interdisciplinary dialogue about intersection, overlap, and conflict across different channels of power and identity, including race, gender, sexuality and class. We welcome scholars from all disciplines, global regions, and time periods for a wide-ranging exploration of themes of identity, narration and power.

The 2011-12 year of "Narratives of Power" will focus on issues of culture, everyday life and identity formation. Although we recognize that there can never be a clear separation between realms of political economy and cultural production, this second year of the project will focus more specifically on the inter-subjective realm of experience and self-expression. Included within these broad parameters is a meditation on the process of identity formation and culture. This includes more traditional ideas of Kultur as understood through artistic expression in aesthetics, music, art, poetry and prose, performance, photography and electronic media, as well as a broader and more inclusive understanding of the social aspects of culture as everyday life and practices. Working in this vein, we invite research on family, community based institutions, religion, education and social reproduction.

Rutgers is an AA/EOE institution. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Not limited to recent Ph.D.s. The deadline for applications is January 18, 2011. Applicants and those interested in presenting a paper related to this project during 2011/2012 should send materials to the project directors: Profs. Donna Murch and Deborah Gray White, Rutgers Center for Historical Analysis, 88 College Ave., New Brunswick, NJ 08901-8542 USA. Email [rcha@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:rcha@rci.rutgers.edu). Web: <http://rcha.rutgers.edu>

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