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Carnegie Corporation of New York Names 32 Winners of

Andrew Carnegie Fellowships

Benefitting all of society through $6.4 million in philanthropic support for research in the humanities and social sciences.

NEW YORK, NY, April 23, 2019—The Andrew Carnegie Fellows Program marked its fifth year with the announcement of the 2019 class of fellows, comprised of 32 scholars. Each recipient of the so-called "Brainy Award" will receive a grant of up to $200,000, making it possible for them to devote significant time to research, writing, and publishing in the humanities and social sciences — work that will benefit all of us.

The program is the most generous initiative of its kind, providing $32 million in grants to more than 160 fellows since 2015. Its overall objective is to offer fresh perspectives on the humanities and solutions to the urgent issues of today.

Among the project topics: how targeted ads interfere with elections; the vulnerabilities caused by human interaction with security and privacy tools; the application of Confucian ethics to the moral problems caused by robots; examining cultural identity and the natural world through the history of the bald eagle; understanding declines in social mobility through large-scale data analyses; the impact of the excessive punishment of black women and girls on our democracy; how universities respond to sexual violence; the development of water insecurity in households; and the lasting environmental impact of the Vietnam War.

"Andrew Carnegie believed in education and understood its influence on the progress of society and mankind. The Andrew Carnegie Fellows Program is an integral part of carrying out the mission he set for our organization," said Vartan Gregorian, president of Carnegie Corporation of New York and president emeritus of Brown University. "Over the past five years, we at Carnegie have been very impressed by the quality, range, and reach of our fellows' work. This year is no exception. We salute this year's class and all of the applicants for demonstrating the vitality of American higher education and scholarship."

Gregorian noted that the fellows program includes a balance of emerging and established scholars from colleges and universities across the country. In this year's class, 15 of the 32

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fellows are from public institutions, including the United States Naval Academy, and half are women.

A distinguished panel of 16 jurors chose the fellows based on the quality, originality, and potential impact of their proposals, as well as each scholar's capacity to communicate the findings to a broad audience. The jurors are all scholars and intellectual leaders from some of the world's leading educational institutions, foundations, and scholarly societies — and six are either current or former university presidents.

"For five years, it's been my honor to chair the insightful panel of jurors who review the outstanding proposals submitted by our forward-thinking nominees, and once again, the candidates showed exceptional diversity of thought and academic rigor," said Susan Hockfield, chair of the Andrew Carnegie Fellows Program jury and president emerita of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. "I think of the fellows as an investment in our future, and speaking as a neuroscientist, they remind me that science and technology must be accompanied by a broader understanding of the human condition, history, economics, and the many fields of study that form the social sciences and humanities."

The Andrew Carnegie Fellows Program is a continuation of the Corporation's more than 100-year history of promoting the advancement and diffusion of knowledge and understanding by supporting the work of a host of institutions, causes, organizations, and individual scholars.

Each year as part of the nominating process, the heads of more than 600 institutions, representing universities, think tanks, publishers, and nonprofit organizations nationwide, are invited to nominate up to two individuals each for the fellowships. For 2019, the Corporation received a total of 273 nominations. Each underwent a preliminary anonymous evaluation by national experts in the relevant fields. Then, the top proposals were forwarded to the members of the jury for review and the final selection of the class of 2019.

The award is for a period of up to two years and its anticipated result is a book or major study. Read more about the Andrew Carnegie Fellows Program, the class of 2019, the work of past honorees, the criteria for proposal, and a historical timeline of scholarly research supported by the Corporation. Join the conversation online at #CarnegieFellows and via Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter.

2019 Andrew Carnegie Fellows

Elizabeth A. Armstrong University of Michigan

David Autor Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Zainab Bahrani Columbia University

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Anne Cafer University of Mississippi

Margaret Carrel University of Iowa

Marcia Chatelain Georgetown University

Raj Chetty Harvard University

William J. Connell Seton Hall University

Melissa L. Cooper Rutgers University–Newark

Zack Cooper Yale University

Lorrie Cranor Carnegie Mellon University

Jack E. Davis University of Florida

John D. Garrigus University of Texas at Arlington

Michael Greenstone University of Chicago

J. Alex Halderman University of Michigan

Thomas M. Keck Syracuse University

Young Mie Kim University of Wisconsin–Madison

Jeff Kosseff United States Naval Academy

Brian K. Kovak Carnegie Mellon University

Sarah Lamb Brandeis University

Michèle Lamont Harvard University

Benjamin Lessing University of Chicago

JeeLoo Liu California State University, Fullerton

Pamela McElwee Rutgers University

Sally A. Nuamah Duke University

Katharine Ricke University of California, San Diego

Stuart Russell University of California, Berkeley

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Michael B. Silvers University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Sharece Thrower Vanderbilt University

Hanqin Tian Auburn University

Stewart A. Weaver University of Rochester

Sera L. Young Northwestern University

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Chair: **Susan Hockfield** president emerita and professor of neuroscience, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Jared L. Cohon president emeritus and university professor of engineering, Carnegie Mellon University

John J. DeGioia president, Georgetown University

Robbert Dijkgraaf director and Leon Levy Professor, Institute for Advanced Study

Jonathan Fanton president emeritus, American Academy of Arts and Sciences

Amy Gutmann president, University of Pennsylvania

Rush D. Holt CEO, American Association for the Advancement of Science

Alberto Ibargüen president and CEO, John S. and James L. Knight Foundation

Ira Katznelson professor of political science and history, Columbia University

Arthur Levine president, The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation

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Marcia McNutt president, National Academy of Sciences

Alondra Nelson president, Social Science Research Council

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