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DLI-DEL PRE-RECORDED WEBINAR FOR 2023

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Meeting Agenda for the webinar



- **Part I: Introduction to NEH (10 minutes)**
 - Special Initiative: American Tapestry
- **Part II: Introduction to the DLI-DEL Fellowships program at Research (15 minutes)**
 - The collaboration between NEH and NSF
 - Eligibility, and required and conditional documents.
 - Funding restrictions
- **Part III: Preparing Your application (30-35 minutes)**
 - Landing page and review criteria (significance, methods, skills, work plan, and outcomes and dissemination)
 - Required documents & Optional Documents
- **Part IV: Additional Funding Opportunities at NEH (10 minutes)**
 - Scholarly Editions and Translations Program (Research)
 - DLI-DEL Research Grants (Preservation & Access)
- **Part V: Review Process, tips and suggestions to prepare strong applications, and how to contact us (10 minutes)**
 - Review Process of applications
 - Tips and suggestions & how to contact us

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[HTTPS://WWW.NEH.GOV/ABOUT](https://www.neh.gov/about)

- "The term 'humanities' includes, but is not limited to, the study and interpretation of the following: **languages, both modern and classical; linguistics**; literature; history; jurisprudence; philosophy; archaeology; comparative religion; ethics; the history, criticism and theory of the arts; those aspects of the social sciences which have humanistic content and employ humanistic methods; and the study and application of the humanities to the human environment with particular attention to **reflecting our diverse heritage, traditions, and history** and to the relevance of the humanities to the current conditions of national life."

Part II OF THE WEBINAR

- **Part II:** Introduction to the DLI-DEL Fellowships program at Research (15 minutes)
 - The collaboration between NEH and NSF
 - Eligibility, and required and conditional documents.
 - Funding restrictions

Program Introduction: DLI-DEL - Program Goals



- Develop and advance scientific and scholarly knowledge concerning endangered languages
- The concern about threatened languages **worldwide.**



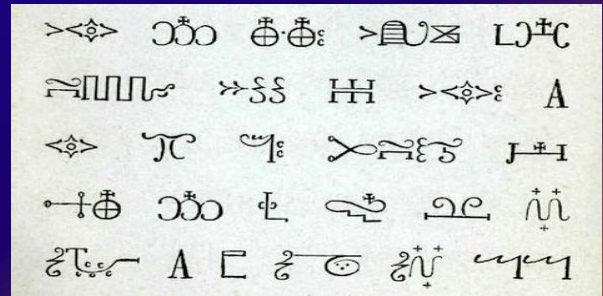
INTRODUCTION: THE DLI-DEL PROGRAM

- Within NEH, a partnership with the Division of Preservation and Access (P&A)
 - P&A funds institutional DLI-DEL projects (Senior Research Grants)
 - The Research division funds fellowships for individuals
- At NSF, DLI-DEL is a program within the Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences division of the Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences directorate



INTRODUCTION: WHAT IS AN ENDANGERED LANGUAGE?

- Check published endangerment scales or language vitality scales; use the parameters there or in published resources on the language to justify the urgency of proposed projects.
- For background and criteria:
 - <https://unesdoc.unesco.org/ark:/48223/pf0000183699>
 - <https://www.linguisticsociety.org/resource/faq-what-endangered-language>
 - <https://www.jstor.org/stable/416368>





KEY POINTS ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIPS

- Individual program.
- Grants support archival documentation, article, book, book section, dictionary, digital material and publication, grammar book, other scholarly resource, and translation.
- Period of performance: 6 months-12 months, full time equivalent.
- Funding: \$5,000 per month (prorated for part time applicants).
- Optional Drafts are due on July 26, 2023.
- Deadline to apply: September 13, 2023.
- See the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) at [neh.gov](https://www.neh.gov).

ELIGIBILITY



- American citizens and residents
 - Affiliation: in the USA, or elsewhere
 - Residency: anywhere in the world
 - Education and degrees: PhD is not required, but comparable experience is needed.
- Non-Americans who reside in the USA
 - Must be resident in the USA for three consecutive years before they apply.
- Note: A PhD is not required, but comparable experience will increase the competitiveness of your application.

ELIGIBILITY

Students:



- Students are not eligible to apply, even if they are American citizens or residents.
- **Exception:** If they have completed **all** degree requirements and are waiting for degree conferral by Sept. 13, 2023 (i.e., by or before the day applications are due). Only those students are eligible to apply, **provided** they submit a letter from the Dean or department chair that attests to those facts.

APPLICANTS' AREA OF EXPERTISE

- DLI-DEL fellowships program is for linguists who work on, or have experience in, dynamic language infrastructure and/or documenting endangered languages.
 - A PhD is not required, but comparable experience is needed.
 - Academic affiliation is not required. Adjuncts, retirees, and independent scholars can apply, as well as tenure-track and tenured scholars.
 - Division of Research offers other funding opportunities that are open to all disciplines in the humanities, such as [Fellowships](#), [Public Scholars](#), [Digital Publications](#), Awards for Faculty ([HBCUs](#), [HSIs](#), and [TCUs](#)), and [Summer Stipends](#) programs.

ELIGIBILITY: FUNDING RESTRICTIONS

- Search for “D6.Funding Restrictions” in the [NOFO](#) (Notice of Funding Opportunity)
 - DLI-DEL does not fund language revitalization on its own, but final products (books, articles, dictionary, grammar books, data) can be used for revitalization purposes and as part of broader impact.
 - Preparation or revision of educational materials.
 - Documentaries or podcasts (for the latter, check grants offered by [Public Programs](#) at NEH)

ELIGIBILITY: APPLYING TO NEH AND NSF AT THE SAME TIME

- Check “3. Other Eligibility Information” in the [NOFO](#) (Notice of Funding Opportunities), and the [FAQ document](#):

- [Applying full time](#):

You may not serve as the project director or key personnel on a project supported by an NEH institutional award, an NSF DLI-DEL Senior Research Grant, or NSF DLI-DEL during the period of performance of an NEH DEL fellowship.

- [Applying part time](#):

If you plan to work part time on your DEL fellowship, and you also work on a project supported by an NEH or any other organization’s institutional award as either a project director or participant, your activities must *not* exceed your regular, full-time load *across all projects and activities*, including non-NEH work activities.

ELIGIBILITY: Collaborative projects

- This program is designed for individual researchers; awards may not be divided.
- If you are seeking funding for more than one scholar in a collaborative project, each individual must:
 - Submit a separate application specifying their individual contribution. Peer reviewers will evaluate each application on its own merits.
 - Must independently meet the eligibility requirements
 - Explain clearly how the work will be divided and the extent to which each collaborator's contribution depends on that of the other(s).
- You are eligible to apply if you are working as part of a collaborative team but seeking funding only for yourself.
 - NOTE: Collaborating scholars affiliated with an eligible institution should consider applying for a Senior Research Grant through the DLI-DEL program offered by NSF in collaboration with NEH's Division of Preservation & Access.

PART III OF THE WEBINAR



- **Part III: Preparing Your application (30-35 minutes)**
 - Landing page and review criteria (significance, methods, skills, work plan, and outcomes and dissemination)
 - Required documents: Narrative, research methods, work plan and period of performance, bibliography, resume, dissemination and outcome plans.
 - Optional Documents: Letter of support from speaker community, archive plans, samples, and reference letters.
 - Other optional documents

WEB PAGE & BASIC FELLOWSHIPS DETAILS:

[HTTPS://WWW.NEH.GOV/PROGRAM/DLI-DEL-FELLOWSHIPS](https://www.neh.gov/program/dli-del-fellowships)



Documenting Endangered Languages Fellowships
Division of Research Programs

Grant Snapshot
Maximum award amount: \$60,000 (\$5,000 per month)
Open to: Individuals
Expected output: Archival Documentation; Book Section; Dictionary; Digital Resource or Publication; Grammar Book; Language Learning Resource
Period of performance: Six to twelve months, full-time equivalent

Application available: July 5, 2023
Optional draft due: July 26, 2023
Deadline: September 13, 2023
Expected notification date: April 30, 2024
Project start date: May 1, 2024 – September 1, 2025

Contact the Division of Research Programs Team
202-606-8200

The Dynamic Language Infrastructure – Documenting Endangered Languages (DLI-DEL) Fellowships are offered as part of a joint, multi-year funding program of NEH and the National Science Foundation (NSF) to develop and advance scientific and scholarly knowledge concerning endangered human languages.

WEB PAGE, CONT: NOFO, RESOURCES & SAMPLES



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Step 1

Step 1 Review your application package

Read the Notice of Funding Opportunity and study the application to ensure you understand all the expectations and restrictions for projects delivered under this grant and are prepared to write the most effective application.

Application Materials

[Dynamic Language Infrastructure -- Documenting Endangered Languages Fellowships Notice of Funding Opportunity, 2022 \(PDF\)](#)

[Dynamic Language Infrastructure -- Documenting Endangered Languages Fellowships Grants.gov application package](#)

Program Resources

[Dynamic Language Infrastructure Frequently Asked Questions, 2021 \(PDF\)](#)

[Recently-funded Documenting Endangered Languages Fellowships](#)

Samples Application Narratives

The narrative samples below should not serve as models but should give you a sense of how you might craft a successful application. Note that these applications may not follow the current guidelines.

Expected output: Archival Documentation; Book
Section: Dictionary; Digital Resource or Publication;
Grammar Book; Language Learning Resource
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Required & Conditional Application Material

Required Material:

- Narrative: 3 pages(mandated)
- Work Plan: 1 page (mandated)
- Bibliography: 1 page (mandated)
- Resume: 2 pages (suggested)
- Sample: up to 2 pages (suggested)



Required & Conditional Application Material (Pages 5-16 of the NOFO)

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- Sample: up to 2 pages (suggested)

Conditional Material

- One reference letter
- Speaker community support letter
- Data Management Plan
- Archive support
- Degree conferral
- Explanation of delinquent federal debt

THE NARRATIVE AND THE REVIEW CRITERIA (SEE UNDER “E.⁺ APPLICATION REVIEW INFORMATION ” IN THE NOFO)

Missing reference letters will not disqualify an application from review.

E. Application Review Information

1. Review Criteria

Peer reviewers will use the following criteria to review applications in the DLI-DEL Fellowships program:

1. **Significance:** The intellectual merit and broader impact of the proposed project; its value to linguistics and humanities scholarship; and the level of endangerment of the language(s) to be studied.
2. **Methods and preparation:** The quality of the conception and description of the project’s research design, including the depth of collaboration with speaker communities.
3. **Skills:** The quality or promise of quality of the applicant’s work and the applicant’s clarity of expression.
4. **Outcomes and dissemination:** The quality of the project’s results; the soundness of the data management and publication plans; and the dissemination of and access to the project’s outcomes.
5. **Work plan:** The feasibility and appropriateness of the proposed plan of work.

Each review criterion corresponds with specific sections of the [narrative](#) and the [other](#)

DLI-DEL Fellowships: Remember page numbers, layout of the application, and its format

- Pay attention to the page limit for all required and optional documents.
- Make sure the format of your document follows the written guidelines.
- Do *not* add additional documents to your application, other than required and conditional documents.



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DLI-DEL Fellowships: Remember page numbers, layout of the application, and its format

- Pay attention to the page limit for all required and optional documents.
 - Make sure the format of your document follows the written guidelines.
 - Do *not* add any additional documents, other than the required and conditional documents to your application
- **Remember:**
 - A PhD degrees is not required
 - Adjuncts, retirees, unaffiliated scholars, and tribal linguists are welcome to apply.
 - Apply early, and don't wait until the last minute!
 - Important **deadlines:**
 - Optional Drafts are due on July 26, 2023.
 - Deadline to apply: September 13, 2023.

PART IV OF THE WEBINAR



- **Part IV: Additional Funding Opportunities at NEH (10 minutes)**
 - Scholarly Editions and Translations Program
 - DLI-DEL Research Grants (Preservation & Access)

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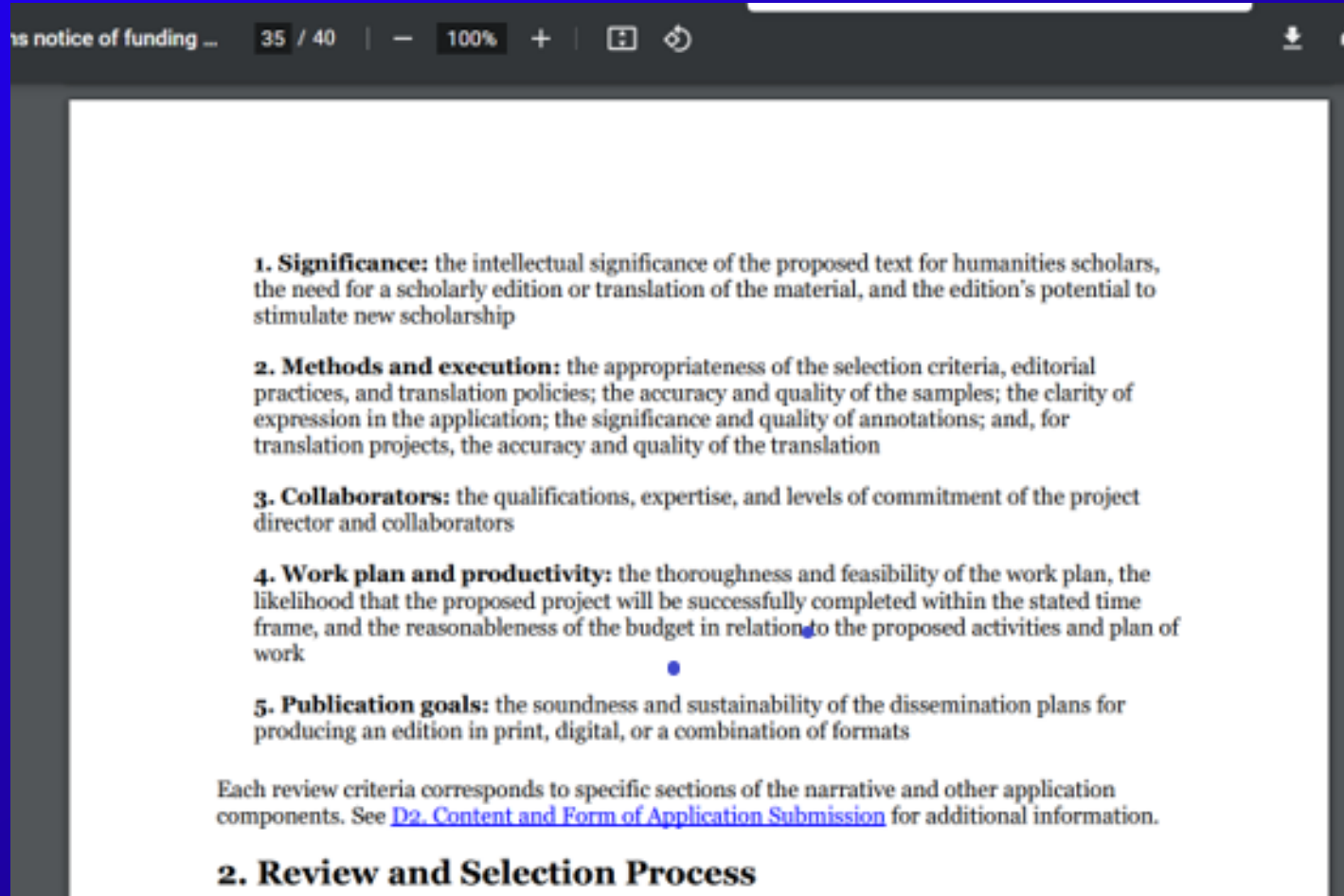
1) Scholarly Editions and Translations (Research, NEH)

– Basic Information

- Grants are awarded to institutions and organizations, not individuals (unlike Fellowships).
- Maximum award amount \$300,000 in outright funds
 - Up to \$450,000 may be available if requesting at least \$150,000 in matching funds.
- Expected Output: Annotated Edition; Annotated Translation; Digital Edition; Print Volume
- Period of performance: One to three years
- Optional draft deadline: September 22, 2023
- Applications deadline: November 29, 2023

1) Scholarly Editions and Translations (Research, NEH)

– Review Criteria



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1. Significance: the intellectual significance of the proposed text for humanities scholars, the need for a scholarly edition or translation of the material, and the edition's potential to stimulate new scholarship

2. Methods and execution: the appropriateness of the selection criteria, editorial practices, and translation policies; the accuracy and quality of the samples; the clarity of expression in the application; the significance and quality of annotations; and, for translation projects, the accuracy and quality of the translation

3. Collaborators: the qualifications, expertise, and levels of commitment of the project director and collaborators

4. Work plan and productivity: the thoroughness and feasibility of the work plan, the likelihood that the proposed project will be successfully completed within the stated time frame, and the reasonableness of the budget in relation to the proposed activities and plan of work

5. Publication goals: the soundness and sustainability of the dissemination plans for producing an edition in print, digital, or a combination of formats

Each review criteria corresponds to specific sections of the narrative and other application components. See [D2. Content and Form of Application Submission](#) for additional information.

2. Review and Selection Process

2) NSF DLI-DEL Senior Research Grants



- Joint initiative between the National Science Foundation (NSF) and NEH's Division of Preservation and Access
- Institutional grants support research and infrastructure that digitally records and documents languages - with an emphasis on endangered languages - through the preparation of lexicons, grammars, text samples and databases, advancing linguistic theory and the study of language.
- Projects are from 1-3 years and up to \$450,000



2) NSF DLI-DEL Senior Research Grants

- **Eligibility:**
 - Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) - Two- and four-year IHEs (including community colleges) accredited in, and having a campus located in the US, acting on behalf of their faculty members.
 - Non-profit, non-academic organizations: Independent museums, observatories, research labs, professional societies and similar organizations in the US associated with educational or research activities.
 - Tribal organizations

2) NSF DLI-DEL Senior Research Grants

- Proposals are submitted to NSF for peer review. Two annual due dates:
 - September 15, 2023, and February 15, 2024.
 - Note: FastLane is being decommissioned in favor of Research.gov; you can also submit via Grants.gov
- NSF reviews your 15-page proposal with a minimum of three reviews
 - Note: DLI-DEL does not fund language revitalization on its own, but many projects include revitalization as part of Broader Impacts
- Grants are awarded to institutions and organizations, not individuals (unlike Fellowships).

PART V OF THE WEBINAE

- **Part V: Review Process, tips and suggestions to prepare strong applications, and how to contact us (10 minutes)**
 - Review process for applications at NEH
 - Tips and suggestions
 - Scheduled Q&A meetings and booking one-on-one online meetings.
 - E-mail us directly





Application Review Process at NEH

<https://www.neh.gov/grants/application-process>

Peer Review

NEH Staff

National Council on the Humanities

NEH Chair Shelly Lowe

Preparing Your Application

- Check the application's webpage:
 - Read the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) carefully.
 - Listen to the posted webinar.
 - Check the FAQ page
 - Go over the posted sample narratives of funded projects and follow their example. Make sure you emulate recent samples because evaluating criteria and guidelines change periodically
 - Check the list of funded projects.



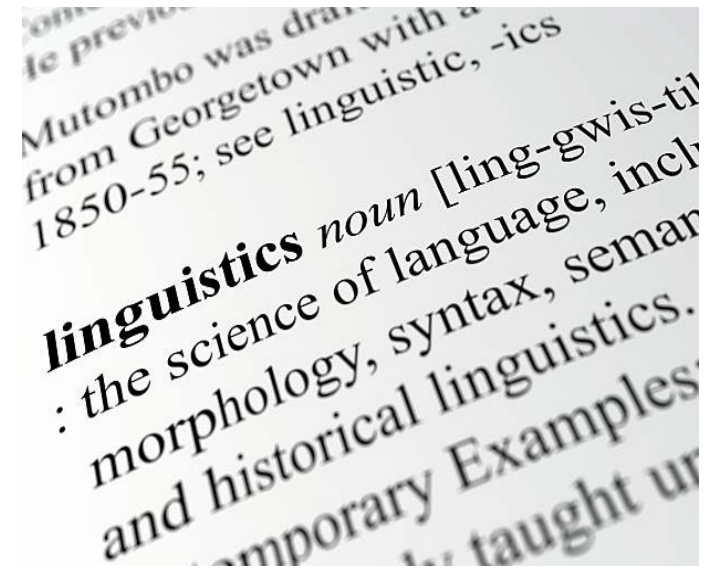
Strong Applications: Tips and Strategies

- Start with the 5 review criteria in mind
- Demonstrate your project's significance
- Provide context (scholarly, disciplinary, culturally, how the community is impacted, etc.)
- Develop a clear and realistic work plan
- Write for specialists and generalists
- Avoid jargon
- Seek advice (from NEH, sponsored research, colleagues). Submit a draft!
- Check and proofread your application!



How to Prepare a Strong Fellowship Application ?

- Apply early; keep in mind this year's deadlines:
 - Optional Drafts are due on July 26, 2023.
 - Deadline to apply: September 13, 2023.



Post Announcements

1. Get **feedback** and **repeat**
2. Contact a **program officer** to discuss your ideas (or even share a draft)
3. **Revise and resubmit** your application



Takeaways

- You can't receive NEH funding if you don't apply
- Stay in touch with NEH for announcements
- Consider volunteering to serve as a peer reviewer:
<https://securegrants.neh.gov/signup/>
- And...always ask NEH staff members if you have questions

Questions?

You can also use [this link](#) to book your appointment

Join us for a virtual [group Q&A meetings](#), scheduled every Tuesday at 3:00-4:00 pm ET.



You Can Also Contact US Via E-mail:



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THANK YOU & GOOD LUCK