

English Graduate Student Research Fund Application

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Program:	RCTE		
Program Director:	Damian Baca		
Projected Graduation Date (MM/YY):	05/21 or 5/22		
Research/Project Name:	Uncovering New Mexico's Hidden History: Archived Prisoner Voices as Rhetorical Spaces of Possibility (1957–1971)		
Research Location:	State Archives of New Mexico		
Travel Dates (should correspond w/ Travel Authorization Form):	Est. July 7 – 27, 2018		
Research Start Date:	July 9, 2018		
Expected Completion Date:	July 26		
Amount Requested (up to \$500):	\$500		

Proposal: In $\frac{1}{2}$ page, explain how your research will contribute to your own knowledge, professional development, or career and your field/discipline, the UA and/or local community, as well as the national/global community.

Budget: Attach English Graduate Student Research Budget Spreadsheet in email to program assistant.

Justification:

For Uncovering New Mexico's Hidden History: Archived Prisoner Voices as Rhetorical Spaces of Possibility (1957–1971), I propose to continue my analysis of a historical newspaper published by prisoners at the Penitentiary of New Mexico (PNM) between 1957–1971. The newspaper collection is historically situated between the 1956 relocation of the penitentiary and the decade leading up to the infamous prison riot in 1980. This summer, I will visit the New Mexico State Archives to continue to examine this collection and conduct research on surrounding documents from this historical period (ex., governors' papers, district attorneys' papers, annual reports, newspaper clippings, etc.) that can provide insight for this project. A driving goal of my project is to understand the educational objectives for PNM during the historical period (which precedes the Prison Industrial Complex) of the newspaper and in the context of New Mexico legislative policy. Depending on my findings, this research could determine the future direction of this ongoing project.

The University of Arizona has embarked on a prison outreach initiative, which includes offering critical reading and writing workshops taught by faculty and graduate students to prisoners at the Arizona State Prison Complex in Tucson. An identified goal is to further develop academic outreach programs at the prison. There are myriad models of prison higher education programs in prisons now – both accredited and not accredited. I continually ask how prisoners' voices can be a more significant part of this conversation. This recovery work offers a rare perspective through prisoner writing and publishing, which could be critical for informing how to design effective and successful educational programs in the current prison model. This research will contribute to scholarship on prison history in New Mexico and add to the larger body of prison education research, prison/er rhetoric, and carceral studies. The English Department research grant would cover expenses incurred for travel to New Mexico to conduct research at the New Mexico State Archives.

Proposed Budget

I am requesting funds for travel Between University of Arizona and New Mexico State Records Center and Archives in order to conduct research for my project, *Uncovering New Mexico's Hidden History: Archived Prisoner Voices as Rhetorical Spaces of Possibility (1957–1971)*. I plan to use my own car, and driving distance is 506 miles (see google map) for the most time-efficient travel. Round trip is 1012 miles. This budget includes a single overnight stay at approximately the mid-way point (Truth or Consequences, NM) on either the outgoing or return trip to break up the driving time, which is between 7.5 and 9.0 hours.

Research Objective/Expense

Funds Utilized

Mileage (0.445/mi. x 1012 miles = 450.34)	\$450.34
Accommodation (\$109 x 1 night).	\$109.00
Total	\$559.34



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