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2013 WARC Library Fellow

Ever considered a career in Library and Information Studies? ...WARA has a great opportunity for you!

The WARC Library Fellowship program is designed to encourage the next generation of Africana librarians and to assist in capacity building at the library of the West African Research Center (WARC) in Dakar, Senegal. The WARC Library Fellow will work with the WARC librarian on electronic cataloguing and use of electronic research databases; and should have well-developed skills in these areas. Preference will be given to those who are fluent in or have a working knowledge of French.

This fellowship provides round trip travel to Dakar and a stipend of \$2,500 to cover the cost of living for 6 to 8 weeks. Estimated work hours vary from 25 to 35 hours/ week. This competition is open to US citizens who are enrolled or considering enrolling in a graduate program in Library Science and who plan to pursue careers as Africana librarians. Students from all colleges and universities are encouraged to apply. Priority will be given to those enrolled in graduate programs or completing their undergraduate studies at an HBCU.

The online application, which will be available through the WARA website after November 1, 2012, will include a statement describing career plans and how this fellowship would contribute to the applicant's professional development. In addition, applicants must submit three letters of reference, signed and sealed by the referee, and both undergraduate and graduate transcripts. These must be mailed to WARA at the address below and postmarked by January 25, 2013.

Applications must be completed online and submitted no later than February 1, 2013. Late applications will not be considered.

An excellent resource for preparing applications can be found on the SSRC website at http://www.ssrc.org/workspace/images/crm/new_publication_3/%7B7a9cb4f4-815f-de11-bd80-001cc477ec70%7D.pdf

Upon completion of their fellowships, grantees are required to submit a detailed report of their work and findings. This report will subsequently be published in the biannual WARA newsletter.

Please direct inquiries and submit letters of reference and transcripts to



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