The Eudora Welty Foundation and the Mississippi Department of Archives and History (MDAH) are pleased to announce the 2019 Eudora Welty Research Fellowship, to encourage and support research use of the Eudora Welty Collection and related materials at MDAH by graduate students. The fellowship seeks to nurture scholars at the beginning of their academic careers, in order to increase their lifelong interest in, and promote continued academic and public appreciation of, Eudora Welty’s life and works. Primary source research will be conducted in residence at the William F. Winter Archives and History Building in Jackson, Mississippi.

One competitive fellowship of $2,000 will be offered to a student enrolled in a graduate program at an accredited college or university, with preference given to a doctoral candidate. The stipend may be used to cover travel, housing, and other expenses during the recipient’s two-week minimum stay from May to September 2019. (Ineligible costs include childcare, photo framing/matting, and computer hardware or software.) The stipend will be paid in increments, with the final payment conditional upon submission of a summary report of research findings.

Each candidate will submit a proposal that includes a description of the intended publication or product(s) resulting from his or her research (e.g., paper, article, book, lecture, exhibit, broadcast, website, etc.), vita, and a letter of recommendation from his or her academic advisor. The Welty Foundation and MDAH will have the opportunity to utilize the product(s) if they are deemed appropriate and of benefit to the sponsoring parties.

Visit http://www.mdah.ms.gov/welty/resources/welty-fellowship.php for an application and more information. Applications must be received by March 1, 2019.