

**Department of History  
Michigan State University**

**Assistantship Application Form for Academic Year 2008-2009**

Are you currently a teaching/research assistant for either the History Department or IAH? \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ PID: A \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: Jr/Sr \_\_\_\_ HST \_\_\_\_ (UG) \_\_\_\_ (MA) \_\_\_\_ (Ph.D.) \_\_\_\_

GRE Verbal \_\_\_\_\_

**UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION (Show only the institution granting degree)**

College / University \_\_\_\_\_

Years attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_

**MASTER'S PROGRAM**

University: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Begun: \_\_\_\_\_ Completed/expected \_\_\_\_\_

Field of Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Thesis: \_\_\_\_\_

Honors/Assistantships: \_\_\_\_\_

**DOCTORAL PROGRAM**

Date Begun: \_\_\_\_\_ Guidance Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

Major Field: \_\_\_\_\_

Minor Fields: \_\_\_\_\_

Languages: \_\_\_\_\_ (passed \_\_\_\_); \_\_\_\_\_ (passed \_\_\_\_)

Comprehensive Exam: will take \_\_\_\_\_ passed \_\_\_\_\_

Dissertation Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**WORK AS AN ASSISTANT AT MSU**

As a teaching assistant in \_\_\_\_\_ with Professor (s) \_\_\_\_\_

As a grader in \_\_\_\_\_ with Professor (s) \_\_\_\_\_

How many semesters have you served as a graduate assistant at MSU? \_\_\_\_\_

Please include a list of your coursework (available through STUINFO).

The applicant is required to obtain two letters of recommendation from professors able to comment on the student's recent academic performance, one must be from your advisor. Please list here the names of those professors you have asked to write letters.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

The Department is not always able to place students in courses that correspond directly with their areas of expertise. Nonetheless, we try to accommodate student interests, their stage within the program, and the need for each student to attain a wide range of teaching experience. Please indicate your preferences in TA assignments.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be interesting in teaching a small seminar on your own? If so, what topics would be of interest to you?

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**Please attach to this application a statement of approximately 500 words indicating your progress to date in the program and your plans for the coming academic year. You might discuss coursework, language acquisition, comprehensive exams, dissertation research and writing, etc. It is also appropriate to mention any additional information you think the committee would find useful in assessing your status in the program. For those of you who have passed your comprehensive exams, please include a list of all outside grants and fellowships for which you have applied in the past year.**