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# Mellon Foundation Gives \$950,000 Grant to UIC to Continue Leading Latino Doctoral Fellowship Program

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The University of Illinois Chicago (UIC) will continue offering a Latino doctoral fellowship program through a three-year \$950,000 grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, according to UIC officials.



Partnering with the Inter-University Program for Latino Research (IUPLR), UIC has overseen the IUPLR/UIC Dissertation Completion Mellon Fellowship program since 2014, when it received a \$800,000 grant from Mellon.

The latest grant – Mellon's third – will fund 18 Ph.D. candidates in their sixth year from participating IUPLR schools to form three cohorts of six fellows per year from 2021 to 2024.

The other participating schools include the City University of New York; University of California, Los Angeles; University of Houston; and the University of Texas at Austin.

The fellowship gives Latino studies students yearly \$25,000 stipends, mentors and a writing support program as they finish dissertations.

“At the completion of this final grant renewal from the Mellon Foundation, the program will transition to a permanent Latino studies humanities fellowship program at the participating universities, which have made a commitment to continue the fellowship,” according to UIC officials.