

Eligibility & Schedule	Only alumni of the School of Architecture are eligible to receive the award. There is no age restriction, but it is recognized that most successful applicants will be in early or mid-career. Students in the final year of their studies may apply so long as they will have graduated by the time they would receive the award. Awardees cannot be enrolled in an educational institution during the award period. Faculty and employees of CMU, former Fellowship-winners, and members of the founding committee are not eligible.	2012 Award Announced	15 April 2011
		Application Deadline	5PM 30 September 2011
		Winner & Alternate Announced	January 2012
Future awards will proceed on a biennial schedule.			

Mission

The Fellowship is named in honor of Professor Delbert Highlands who taught courses in architectural design, design theory, and architectural history from the 1960s through the first decade of this century. He has been widely recognized as a seminal teacher, whose skill, and understanding enriched the educations of generations of students. Currently, the Highlands Travel Fellowship is being offered on an every-other-year basis.

Professor Highlands emphasized the "individual," the "particular" and the "local" in his teaching. His courses were grounded in authoritative scholarship and meticulously presented fundamentals, but always went further: asking students to think of "this time," "this place" and this "occupancy." His teaching presented prospects for a life of work that were inspiring, and that would always present fresh challenges to learn more, to go deeper, to design buildings that truly engage our humanity. He has been a key influence in the lives of hundreds of graduates of the School of Architecture.

In keeping with Professor Highlands' thinking and contributions to the School, the Fellowship supports the study of collections belonging to locales. There are, perhaps, endless possibilities: from the frescoes of a remote town, to the building vernacular of a whole province, to many things that have not yet been thought of. The common denominators will be the local and the particular.

It is intended that the experience of the Fellowship directly support the professional development of individual awardees to the end of contributing to the richness of our surroundings.

As with the 1st award in 2010, the 2012 award will total \$12,000. (CMU reports the award amount to the IRS.)

Application Submission Requirements

1. Completed Application Form
2. Maximum two-page project description which includes a proposed travel budget. Images may be part of the two-page project description.

Reporting and Impact on the School of Architecture

Upon completion of the Fellowship, there will be an obligation for reporting and presentation, and the delivery of materials to a Fellowship archive. It is recognized that the form of reporting may vary significantly with the applicant and the subject matter. Recognizing that communication skills and interests will vary among awardees, latitude will be given to the ways in which awardees will contribute back to the school. Anticipated formats include lectures, seminars and exhibitions. Ideally these would be timed to occur simultaneously with an announcement of the subsequent award-winner.

Previous Winner

The winner of the 2010 Fellowship was Can Tiryaki (BArch 98'). Mr. Tiryaki's travel project, "Transitions in Religious Architecture in Asia Minor", has researched and documented Byzantine churches in Asia Minor that were converted to Ottoman mosques." He has "focused on the insertion and configuration of religious markers in the space of worship, specifically "the Mihrab" - the Islamic prayer niche that marks the direction to Mecca." Can presented his travels and research during a Spring Carnival alumni reception on April 15, 2011.

Selection Process

A blind review process will be used and the award will be based on merit only. A committee of six consisting of the following will choose a winner and an alternate: (1) faculty member of the School of Architecture, (1) member of the Highlands Fellowship founding group*, (1) member of the Highlands Fellowship founding group* or previous fellowship winner, (1) faculty member of CMU English or History Department, (1) faculty member of CMU School of Drama or School of Design, (1) practicing architect (non Graduate of CMU).

Contact Information

Name: _____
Email Address: _____ Local or Mobile Phone: _____

Instructions

Submit in .pdf format, this application form along with the two-page project description and travel budget to Kristen Frambes, at kframbes@cmu.edu, by the deadline indicated above. Inquiries should be made via email to Kristen Frambes at the above email.

* The Fellowship Founding Group consists of Doug Cooper, Dan Garber, Sheldon Goettel, Arne Larson and William Petrone.