



Berkeley Language Center
Professional Development Fellowship Application
For Language Lecturers

The Berkeley Language Center is pleased to announce the availability of up to six one-semester research fellowships for Unit 18 lecturers or language program coordinators for the following academic year (pending authorization of funding).

These fellowships will provide lecturers with the equivalent of one-course release time to work on individual projects designed to further their own professional development. Research projects might include: designing and developing instructional materials of various kinds; developing innovative uses of technology; developing new course syllabi or curricular innovations or assessment plans; engaging in independent study of an area of relevant literature, including enrolling in a course of relevant interest offered at UC Berkeley; doing an empirical study of some aspect of language learning; preparing a research paper for public presentation or publication in a professional journal. The fellowship culminates in a presentation to the UC Berkeley language community. Past fellows have also presented their research at conferences, or published their work in established journals.

The projects will be undertaken in collaboration with the BLC Executive Director, Kimberly Vinall. Regular attendance at the weekly research fellows' meetings is required. Lecturers teaching any language at UC Berkeley are eligible to apply. Those teaching less commonly taught languages are particularly encouraged to apply. If you are interested, we strongly encourage you to discuss your research project proposal with either Rick Kern or Kimberly Vinall.

Please complete the fellowship application form, and include a two-page description of your project (see specifications on application form), a current CV, and a letter of recommendation by the chair of your department, explaining how your project benefits the teaching and research mission of your department and/or your professional development. Submit application and documentation via email or mail:

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BLC Fellowships are funded by the Dean of Arts and Humanities. Graduate students and lecturers in departments outside of Arts and Humanities should seek funding with their department chairs and/or dean before applying. This has been possible in the past, but is decided on a case-by-case basis and the availability of funds.

Deadline for Application:
First Monday in February of the year of application.

