Application Instructions for the 2019 Chase Family Travel Grant for Visiting Graduate Scholars

The Chase Family Grant is made possible through an endowment created by members of the Chase family, pioneers in Florida citrus growing. Its purpose is to enable graduate students to conduct research in the P.K. Yonge Library of Florida History at the George A. Smathers Library, University of Florida. Applicants should be enrolled in a graduate program leading to the masters or doctoral degree and actively engaged in research on Florida history or research that incorporates Florida as a major focus. Preference will be given to graduate students from institutions outside the State of Florida who demonstrate a need to travel to UF for on-campus access to the resources of Special Collections. Applications dealing with agricultural history are encouraged but all topics on Florida are eligible. One grant will be made annually for a maximum of $1000.

This fund was originally established in honor of Cecilia L. Johnson, with further support in memory of Joshua C. Johnson.

Procedures for Applying

Please submit the following by email:

- a cover letter containing your contact information and the month in which you intend to work at the library at UF
- a brief (600 word) proposal describing your research, the product you intend to create (thesis, book chapter, article, etc.), and the resources at the university library that you intend to use
- a travel budget covering transportation, lodging, expenses
- a current CV
- a letter of recommendation from your major professor

Send applications to the attention of James Cusick at jgcusick@ufl.edu -- header should read Chase Family Travel Grant.

DEADLINE: All applications must be received via email by 5:00 PM Eastern, Friday, November 30, 2018. Late applications will not be considered.
You will receive an email confirmation within 48 hours that your application was received. If you do not receive confirmation, please send an inquiry to jgcusick@ufl.edu. For questions about applying, Dr. Cusick is available at 352-273-2778.

All applications will be reviewed by a judging panel composed of archivists and historians at the University of Florida. Award will be announced in early January 2019.

**Responsibilities of Award Recipients:** Individuals who receive an award are expected to spend at least one week (5 working days) at the George A. Smathers Library, University of Florida, in Gainesville in pursuit of their research. Recipients will submit a brief (2-3 pp.) report on how their work at UF Libraries enriched their research project. Award recipients are expected to acknowledge the Chase Family Travel Grant in any published work, thesis, or dissertation. Research work may be undertaken anytime between the announcement of award in January 2019 and December 31, 2019. Funds must be used in the calendar year awarded.

For more information on other travel grants available through the Department of Special & Area Studies Collections, George A. Smathers Library, see the "Travel Grants" button at [http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/spec/](http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/spec/)

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