Application Instructions for the Cecilia L. Johnson Grant
Cecilia L. Johnson Grant for Visiting Graduate Scholars ($1000 award)

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This grant was created in honor of Cecilia L. Johnson, a life-long supporter of the P.K. Yonge Library of Florida History, Special & Area Studies Collections, at the George A. Smathers Library (University of Florida). Its purpose is to enable graduate students to conduct research in the P.K. Yonge Library of Florida History or other special collections at the University of Florida Library. 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. A maximum of two grants will be awarded annually.

Procedures for Application
Please submit the following:
a cover letter containing your contact information and the month in which you intend to work at the library at UF
• a brief (300-400 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
• a current CV
• a letter of recommendation from your major professor

All applications will be reviewed by a judging panel composed of archivists and historians at the University of Florida.

Responsibilities of Award Recipients
Individuals who receive awards are expected to spend at least one week (5 working days) in Gainesville in pursuit of their research and will submit a brief (2-3 pp.) report on how their work at UF Libraries enriched their research project. Grants will be awarded at the time of researchers’ arrival at the University of Florida. Award recipients are expected to acknowledge the Cecilia L. Johnson Grant in any published work, thesis, or dissertation. Research work may be undertaken anytime between the announcement of awards and December 31, 2011. Funds must be used in the calendar year awarded.

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Send Applications to:
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(Cecilia L. Johnson Award)  
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Opening date for application:  October 1, 2010

Deadline for application: February 1, 2011

Applicants please note:  
Late applications will not be accepted. Applications submitted by mail must be postmarked no later than February 1. Applications sent by email must arrive by 5:00 p.m. Eastern, February 1. Please contact James Cusick, collection curator, by email or phone to make sure that your application has been received. Application packets must be complete at deadline including letters of recommendation.

Decisions will be announced by March 15, 2011

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