

Post-Doctoral Opportunity Black Social Dance

Principal Investigator Thomas F. DeFrantz, director of the SLIPPAGE lab, in residence at Northwestern University, seek a postdoctoral associate for work on a Mellon-sponsored project Black Dance and the Geographies of Freedom. The three-year project will explore Black Dance in contexts of Black social life in Detroit, Chicago, Atlanta, Miami, Los Angeles, and Minneapolis. Strong archival research skills and demonstrated interest in ethnographic analysis required.

The post-doctoral affiliate will enjoy the robust resources of Northwestern University and its several programs designed explicitly to mentor advanced researchers in post-doctoral positions toward successful careers in higher education. Northwestern has an Office of Post-Doctoral Affairs that provides significant services, including one-on-one career advising, job application workshops, and other professional and community supports (<https://postdocs.northwestern.edu/resources-support/career-preparation-support.html>).

The post-doctoral affiliate also will enjoy extensive access to an expansive and diverse community of researchers in Black Dance Studies who have been gathered through the efforts of the SLIPPAGE laboratory and the CADD organization. The PI will work directly with the post-doctoral affiliate to prepare them to enter the profession with a variety of research and administrative experiences.

The successful candidate will have earned a PhD in the years 2018-2023. This is a 30-month position, beginning immediately. Please send a letter of interest, cv including links to work samples, and two references who might be contacted on your behalf to thomas.defrantz@northwestern.edu.

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