

Carolyn Fluehr-Lobban Scholarship

Applications must be submitted by email to Dr. Black (sblack@gsu.edu) by March 1.

Award will be announced by April 1.

This purpose of this scholarship is to provide funding to graduate students in the Department of Anthropology *whose research focus is in Africana studies, including ethnographic work related to African-American Studies*. The Carolyn Fluehr-Lobban Scholarship will support students whose work demonstrates a commitment to engaged anthropology and ethically-conscious practice. The amount of the award is \$750.

Recipients of this award must:

- Be in good academic standing in the College of Arts and Sciences at Georgia State University.
- Be a current graduate level student studying anthropology.
- Demonstrate commitment to engaged anthropology and ethically conscious practice.

While any anthropology graduate student at any stage of the M.A. who is doing work related to Africana studies may apply, funding priority will be given to students who are actively conducting research for their M.A. thesis or capstone paper.

To apply, students must submit:

- A brief proposal (up to 600 words maximum) explaining how the funds will further a student's engaged and ethically conscious work in Africana studies (this includes research in Africa and the African diaspora [including but not limited to African-American communities in the United States]). This should include a plan for proposed or ongoing research.
- A budget and budget justification (less than 1 page) that explains how the applicant plans to spend the funds (e.g., plane flights and/or accommodations while conducting fieldwork, research participant compensation, equipment for research or write-up). Be as specific as possible (e.g. if you plan to purchase a plane flight, look up possible plane flights and give an estimate of how much that will cost; provide a breakdown of the funding by cost and item).

Background on the Award

Dr. Carolyn Fluehr-Lobban is an anthropologist, Sudanist, as well as a co-founder of the Sudan Studies Association. She has written extensively on human rights, Islamic law, race & racism, & anthropological ethics. She is Professor Emeritus of Anthropology at Rhode Island College, Providence, Rhode Island, and a Lecturer at the Naval War College. Carolyn attended Georgia State University when it was known as Georgia State College. While at GSU, Carolyn took a few Philosophy classes; however, she was drawn more to Anthropology after a friend recommended a course, and she was looking for a field that embraced the world of cultural practices that provided a reality beyond the realm of philosophical ideas. One of Carolyn's memorable experiences at Georgia State was her field experience in the summer of 1965 as a "dig archaeologist" at the Etowah Cartersville Mounds conducted by Georgia State's only anthropologist, Lew Larson who was a member of the Department of Geology, Geography, and Anthropology. Carolyn completed her undergraduate education at Temple University in 1968, but she continues to have strong ties to Georgia State University's Department of Anthropology where her love of anthropology began. Her brother Christopher Fluehr (1968) and her sister Marianne Fluehr (1970) both graduated from Georgia State University.