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## AMERICAN JOURNALISM HISTORIANS ASSOCIATION INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR INAUGURAL HAZEL DICKEN-GARCIA RESEARCH GRANT

The American Journalism Historians Association seeks applications for the inaugural Hazel Dicken-Garcia Research Grant. The deadline for applications is April 1, 2023.

The grant will provide financial assistance to graduate students and junior faculty whose work embodies the scholarly interests of Dicken-Garcia, who mentored numerous M.A. and Ph.D. students during her 30-year career in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at the University of Minnesota.

"Hazel's mentorship is the reason I'm doing what I am today. I discovered my love for teaching, research and discovery while working with her. She gave me direction and confidence that I was cut out for academia. She was first my teacher and advisor then a research collaborator and most importantly a friend," said Kate Roberts Edenborg, professor of journalism and mass communication at the University of Wisconsin-Stout

Amy Lauters, professor of mass communication at Minnesota State University, Mankato, and another former student of Dicken-Garcia, said, "Hazel was incredibly supportive of student work. She would be very pleased that AJHA is choosing to use its bequest from her to support graduate student research. I hope that these grants can in some way make a difference for a new scholar."

Applicants must be graduate students or pre-tenure faculty and be current AJHA members upon submission of an application, and awardees must continue their membership throughout the grant period. Their research must be related to mass media history. Preference will be given to scholars researching in the following areas: 19<sup>th</sup>- and 20<sup>th</sup>-century journalism standards; equity issues and the media; gender, identity, and the media; media and journalism ethics; international communication; Civil War journalism; and free expression/First Amendment. A grant award may be up to \$1,000.

Complete details about the grant program and submission requirements are available at https://ajha.wildapricot.org/DickenGarcia/.

For questions regarding the grant, contact Kaylene Armstrong of the AJHA Education Committee at kaylenearmstrong@gmail.com.

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