

The Princeton Prize in Race Relations Senior Thesis Prize and Undergraduate Research Fund, Endowed by the Princeton University Class of 1966

The Princeton Prize in Race Relations Senior Thesis Prize, endowed by the Princeton University Class of 1966, is awarded annually to a member of the senior class, irrespective of his or her academic concentration, whose senior thesis adds significantly to our understanding of issues of race and race relations in the United States, broadly defined.

While a Prize-winning thesis may rely on conventional research methodologies (in libraries and archives, using the research methodologies of the humanities and the social sciences), the Program in American Studies or its successor entity will look with favor on theses that also manage to draw this scholarship into practical and experiential engagement.

Each spring, the Princeton Prize in Race Relations/Class of 1966 Research Fund will award grants to a number of juniors and seniors. These awards are meant to support students committed to the intersection of theory and practice, research and experience. Those awarded grants will devote their summers to internships with agencies and offices – public and private – engaged in the work of understanding and improving race relations. We expect that these fellowships will further both students' scholarship and their social and political engagement.

Successful applicants may come from any department or concentration. To apply for the grant, a student will have to offer a prospectus of a planned senior thesis, the endorsement of a faculty advisor, as well as the written agreement of an appropriate officer of the agency or office where she or he has applied to work over the summer.