The Center for Primary Research and Training (CFPRT) seeks applications from graduate students for positions that will allow students to gain first-hand experience in working with archives and special collections material. CFPRT scholars are able to work up to 19 hours per week during the academic year, Monday-Friday between 9am-5pm, and are paid $19.54 per hour.

To be considered for positions, please email an application, letter of interest, and a CV or résumé to:
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Application deadline for the fall quarter is Sunday, September 15, 2019
Application materials and more information about the Center can be found on our website at:
http://www.library.ucla.edu/special-collections/at-this-location/center-primary-research-training-cfprt

Position Descriptions

Processing or archival experience not required for the positions below.

**AV Scholar: Synanon Foundation Records**
Project duration: 3 quarters

In 1958, the Synanon Foundation was created by Charles Dederich, Sr. as a drug rehabilitation center and therapeutic lifestyle in Santa Monica, soon attracting wealthy substance abusers throughout Southern California. Over the course of its lifespan, Synanon developed into a widespread network of experimental communities, with chapters in San Francisco, Tulare and Marin Counties, Detroit, and as far as Germany and Malaysia. The collection consists of a variety of audiovisual materials, including the archive of Synanon's internal film production unit. The AV scholar will work with staff in AV Preservation on a project to facilitate access and long-term preservation for the films found in the collection. This will include film treatment and rehousing, evaluating metadata, creating useful archival description, and understanding the holistic practice of collection stewardship. *Preferred skills: Demonstrated film handling experience. (This will be evaluated during the interview process.)*

**Oral History Scholar: Los Angeles Black Business Ownership**
Project duration: 1 quarter

This project will focus on the oral history series, "Where Do We Go from Here? Histories of Long-term Black Business Ownership, Community, and Family in Los Angeles County," and will make oral histories on "multigenerational business ownership in the Black community" more accessible to community members. This includes creating a finding aid for the series, developing integrating information about
existing oral histories to related archival collections held by Library Special Collections (LSC) and developing social media posts and outreach to showcase LSC's oral histories, in particular the LA black business ownership series. Desired skills: Knowledge of oral history practice, Los Angeles communities.

Processing Scholar: Richard Neutra Correspondence
Project duration: 1 quarter

The Richard and Dion Neutra papers consist of travel sketches, papers, drawings, rolled plans, blueprints, audio recordings, and photographs related to Richard Neutra's career as an architect. This project will allow a scholar with subject knowledge and an interest in architecture to work with a large amount (14 linear feet) of unprocessed correspondence related to various projects of Richard Neutra, some of which were never built out. It will provide firsthand look into the work and processes of a renowned architect, and a unique insight into decision-making, practices, and development of Neutra's career. The scholar will rehouse, arrange, and describe the correspondence, adding description to the existing finding aid. Desired skills: Familiarity with architecture terminology and/or interest in the history of architecture.

Scholar for Chinese Printed and Manuscript Medical Books
Project duration: 1-2 quarters

Library Special Collections (LSC) owns a small number of Chinese manuscript and printed medical books. These books are held in two major parts: one collection, dating to late Qing (1644-1911) and early Republican China (1911-1949), are transfers from the Oriental Library (now East Asian Library), chiefly in the 1960s, and recent acquisitions, currently held in LSC's History & Special Collections for the Sciences division in the Biomedical Library; the other collection, from the early 20th century, consists mostly of printed books that were owned by N.S. Sue (active 1920s) in his pharmacy in Modesto, California. Both of these collections are important resources for researchers. The Biomedical Library collection is likely the largest collection of Chinese medical manuscripts in southern California, while the newly acquired N.S. Sue collection is the largest single collection of Chinese books known to have been held by a Chinese pharmacy. This project will involve working closely with the Rare Books Curator and Curator for the History of Science and Medicine to research and describe roughly 60 print and manuscript Chinese medical books. Required skills: Must be able to read Chinese.

Wiki Scholar
Project duration: 1 quarter

The Wiki scholar will undertake a project to survey and integrate information about Library Special Collections (LSC) holdings into existing Wikipedia articles. This may entail editing or enhancing a biographical or historical article; linking from an article to a finding aid and/or digitized content for the person or organization; or creating new articles based on LSC holdings. A focus will be placed on collections related to Los Angeles. Please indicate a specific area of interest in the application and several possible collections you envision utilizing. This project will allow a student to engage in research using LSC collections and provide hands-on experience working with primary sources and archives. Desired skills: Experience with Wikipedia editing; knowledge of, and interest in, Los Angeles communities.