The Center for Presidential History at Southern Methodist University invites applications for its 2014-15 Postdoctoral fellowship. The successful candidate will couple their own research and publishing agenda with their contributions to the Center’s Collective Memory Project, a wide ranging oral history of the George W. Bush Presidency. Fellows receive a competitive salary and benefits, funds to support independent research, and are initially appointed for one year with expectation of renewal for a second year in residence.

Primary duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Individual research within the fellow’s own area of interest leading to publications in scholarly and/or public history venues.
- Contribute to Collective Memory Project of the George W. Bush Presidency;

Applicants from all fields and topics pertaining to the presidency and executive power are welcome, but are anticipated to derive from the disciplines of history, political science, economics, sociology, or communications. The Center assiduously defines “Presidential History” in the broadest terms possible.

Fellows must be in residence at SMU during the 2014-2015 academic year and must have successfully defended their doctoral dissertation before the appointment begins. Preference will be given to applicants for whom additional time and resources will culminate in the completion of a publishable book-length manuscript. Fellows seeking additional teaching experience may choose to offer courses in their field of experience.

For full consideration, applicants must submit the following: CV, letter of interest outlining applicants’ research agenda, chapter-length writing sample, and three letters of reference. All documents should be submitted through the website of SMU’s Department of Human Resources at www.smu.jobs.

If the writers of the applicants’ recommendation letters prefer, they may email letters directly to the Center for Presidential History at CPHinfo@smu.edu.

Full review of applications will begin on December 1, 2012, and continue until the position is filled. Further information on both the fellowship and the Collective Memory Project may be found at www.smu.edu.CPH