

The Eugene W. J. Pearce, M.D., and Lunetta A. Pearce, M.D., Fellowship in the History of Medicine

Eugene Walker James Pearce, MD, and his wife, Lunetta Anna Memming Pearce, MD, were long-time supporters of the University of Kansas Medical Center's History and Philosophy of Medicine Department. Their unique and enthusiastic approach to life and work enriched those in contact with them. They both passed away in early 2008. The Eugene W. J. Pearce, M.D. and Lunetta A. Pearce, M.D. Fellowship in the History of Medicine has been established to honor their memory.

Purpose: Fellowships in the Department of History and Philosophy of Medicine are intended to attract scholars to the Clendening Library and University of Kansas Medical Center Archives who will carry out research in the history of medicine, nursing, allied health and related sciences. The Department will grant fellowships to interested scholars whose research topics are well-suited to the varied collections housed in the library and archives.

The Department intends to grant two fellowships per year, with the aim of attracting scholars from a wide range of academic levels, including professors, independent researchers, graduate students in the dissertation stage of their degrees, and post-graduate students pursuing advanced scholarship.

Clendening History of Medicine Library Holdings: The library has a large collection of early-modern medical books from Britain and Western Europe, which includes botanicals and anatomical works. Comprehensive compilations of 17th -19th c. books include collections of the history of pathology, cardiology, hematology, microscopy, electricity, radiology, Mesmerism, anesthesiology and orthopedics. Holdings also include original Florence Nightingale Letters, 18th- and 19th- c. British satirical medical prints, and items related to Asian medicine.

University of Kansas Medical Center Archives Holdings: The archives house numerous documents pertaining to the history of the medical center, as well as to local, regional and Kansas medicine. The Schools of Medicine, Nursing and Allied Health are included in the holdings. Unique holdings include the newly formed Spine and Orthopedic Historical Collections, and early 20th- c. hospital and medical office patient records (1906-1920), which contain diagnoses, treatments and outcomes, many with hand-written physicians' and nurses' notes.

Duration and Support: The department will grant fellowships for a period of two to four weeks. The amount of the fellowships will be \$500.00 per week for 2-4 weeks, with a maximum of \$2,000.00, to cover expenses, with an additional one-time travel stipend of \$500 for scholars from outside of the Kansas City area.

Application and Selection: Interested applicants must submit a curriculum vitae, two letters of support, and a brief prospectus of no more than three pages outlining their research project. Submit to the address at top of the page and to the attention of Nancy Hulston, Director of Archives. Selection of fellows will be based on the decision of a committee. **Deadline for 2010 applications is April 1, 2010**, and candidates will be informed of the results by May 31, 2010. For additional information please visit:

<http://www3.kumc.edu/historyofmed/fellow.html>