The American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) is proud to introduce the ACLS HBCU Faculty Fellowship and Grant Program. The new program will advance the scholarly contributions of humanities and interpretive social sciences faculty at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), in recognition of their rich history in nurturing generations of scholars and accelerating vital social change despite chronic discrimination and underfunding.

In the first competition of a three-year pilot, ACLS will award 12 grants of up to $10,000 each for research project development, and eight fellowships of up to $50,000 each to support deeper engagement with a significant research project. Both award categories allow applicants to structure their budgets and workplans in ways that best fit their research goals and professional commitments. Award funds may be used to advance a variety of activities, including but not limited to course releases; editing and/or research assistance; cross-institutional and interdisciplinary collaborations; and travel costs and registration fees for research or conferences.