

## Andrew Carnegie Fellows Program Topics 2017

### **Strengthening U.S. democracy and exploring new narratives**

Possible topic areas include, but *are not confined to*, inequality, access to education, religion, gender, race, migration and immigration, the widening poverty-wealth gap, political polarization, civic participation, individual rights and privacy, incarceration, judicial and criminal justice reform, rule of law, the voting process, the party system, and the public good.

### **Technological and cultural creativity—potential and perils**

Possible topic areas include, but *are not confined to*, the impact of technologies on privacy, data (in)security, civic participation, big data, artificial intelligence, challenges to and varieties of individual expression, impact of traditional and social media, accountability of tech industry, the power of imagery, approaches to death and dying, cognitive science and human creativity, definitions of the human and the post-human, and ethical issues raised by medical and scientific research.

### **Global connections and global ruptures**

Possible topic areas include, but are not confined to, threats to national sovereignty and democratic institutions, nationalism, human rights, race, gender, religion, access to education, migration and immigration, refugee crises, demographic changes, challenges to cultural legacies, national security and civil liberties, poverty, terrorism, international law, war and peace in the 21st century, and nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons.

### **Environments, natural and human**

Possible topic areas include, but are not confined to, political and economic stability, global climate change, health, inequality, human rights, defining the Anthropocene, ethical implications of environmental issues, and literary and cultural expressions of environmental change.