

# Regional Research Development Project Grant Status Report

As stipulated in your grant award letter, a status report is due to the Mellon Initiative eight months after the grant was awarded.

Please use this form to submit your status report on the development of your project and your application for a Mellon SURF. If you have any questions, please email [melloninitiative@trinity.edu](mailto:melloninitiative@trinity.edu).

Your first and last name \*

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Project title \*

Shakespeare in the Borderlands

Please provide a brief status report on your project (300 words). \*

Following the cancellation of a public event I planned for March 2020, I have partnered with colleagues at Texas A&M-San Antonio, UC Santa Barbara, and Arizona State University plan a series of events and projects under the title "The Bard in the Borderlands." In addition to a virtual scholarly symposium in February 2021, we plan to create a website and to launch a podcast designed to archive and promote the work of artists, scholars, and teachers engaging with the multifaceted intersections between Shakespeare and borderland histories, cultures, and experiences. We hope that this project will be a wide-reaching resource that will foster the development of community-based knowledge and activism in the region. We also plan to apply for grants from institutions such as Humanities Texas, the NEH, and the Whiting Foundation.

How will you (or have you) utilize(d) undergraduate researchers on the project? \*

I plan to use an undergraduate researcher (or researchers) in Summer 2021 to gather and study archival materials about Shakespeare in the region. A student researcher can assist with examining newspaper and theater archives, conducting interviews, and developing materials for the website and podcast.

When will you apply for a Mellon SURF for this project? \*

I had a Mellon SURF in the summer of 2020

I will apply for a 2021 Mellon SURF

I will apply for a 2022 Mellon SURF

Other: .....

Please leave any additional comments here.

I would love to learn more about best practices for undergraduate research from experienced faculty.

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