

**To:** Deans, Chairs, and Directors

From: Charles Bankart, Assistant Vice Provost

**Date**: 10/1/2010

Re: Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad Fellowship Program

## **INTERNAL DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

The International Education Programs Service, U.S. Department of Education, has announced the competition for the Fulbright-Hays Grants for Faculty Research Abroad for the 2011-12 academic year.

The Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Grant provides support for faculty for 3 to 12 months of research to be conducted outside the U.S. These fellowships provide opportunities for full-time research abroad in modern languages and area studies. "Area studies" is defined as a "program of comprehensive study of the aspects of a society or societies, including the study of their geography, history, culture, economy, politics, international relations and languages."

The research project must focus on one of the following geographic areas: Africa, East Asia, Southeast Asia and the Pacific Islands, South Asia, the Near East, Central and Eastern Europe and Eurasia, and the Western Hemisphere (excluding the United States and its territories).

Please note that applications that propose projects focused on the following countries are not eligible: Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, San Marino, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Vatican City.

Priority preference will be given (5 additional points in the review process - <u>if you are a non-native speaker of the language</u>) to research projects that utilize one or more of the following seventy-eight languages from the U.S. Department of Education's list of Less Commonly Taught Languages: Akan (Twi-Fante), Albanian, Amharic, Arabic (all dialects), Armenian, Azeri (Azerbaijani), Balochi, Bamanakan (Bamana, Bambara, Mandikan, Mandingo, Maninka, Dyula), Belarusian, Bengali (Bangla), Berber (all languages), Bosnian, Bulgarian, Burmese, Cebuano (Visayan), Chechen, Chinese (Cantonese), Chinese (Gan), Chinese (Mandarin), Chinese (Min), Chinese (Wu), Croatian, Dari, Dinka, Georgian, Gujarati, Hausa, Hebrew (Modern), Hindi, Igbo, Indonesian, Japanese,

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Javanese, Kannada, Kashmiri, Kazakh, Khmer (Cambodian), Kirghiz, Korean, Kurdish (Kurmanji), Kurdish (Sorani), Lao, Malay (Bahasa Melayu or Malaysian), Malayalam, Marathi, Mongolian, Nepali, Oromo, Panjabi, Pashto, Persian (Farsi), Polish, Portuguese (all varieties), Quechua, Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Sinhala (Sinhalese), Somali, Swahili, Tagalog, Tajik, Tamil, Telugu, Thai, Tibetan, Tigrigna, Turkish, Turkmen, Ukrainian, Urdu, Uyghur/Uigur, Uzbek, Vietnamese, Wolof, Xhosa, Yoruba, and Zulu.

Additional priority preference (5 additional points) will be given to research projects that are proposed by applicants using <u>advanced language proficiency</u> in one of the 78 languages selected from the U.S. Department of Education's list of LCTLs, and focus on one of the following fields or topics: <u>Environmental Science, Economics, Public Health, Education, or Political Science.</u> Up to 10 points total can be earned for proposals that meet both priority preference categories.

Applicants must be employed by an institution of higher education, have been engaged in teaching relevant to his or her language or areas studies specialization for at least two years prior to the grant period and possess adequate foreign language skills to accomplish the proposed research. Tenured or tenure-track status is NOT required. Other eligibility requirements include U.S. citizenship or permanent resident status.

## **Application Information**

The application for the Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad Program is an institutional application (individual faculty members cannot apply). Charlie Bankart in International Programs coordinates KU's application each year and assembles the comprehensive application for submission to the U.S. Department of Education.

- General Info: For further information and application information, contact Charlie Bankart, International Programs, 300 Strong Hall, 864-6161, or<cbankart@ku.edu>.
- 2. Application Logistics: All applications must be submitted on-line through the government's e-grants application portal. To establish an account and begin the application process go to: http://e-grants.ed.gov/
  - Note: The e-grants system is down October 1, 2, and 3 for maintenance. It will be available again at 6:00 am EST on Monday, October 4.
- 3) Internal Deadline: The KU DEADLINE for individual applications is <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>November 10th</u>. All applications and supporting documentation must be electronically submitted through e-grants, by 5:00 p.m. on that date.
- 4) Research projects involving human subjects will also need to submit a human subjects protocol statement to Charlie Bankart. Please contact him for details.

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