2011-2012 Fulbright Faculty Development Program

Application deadline: September 16, 2010

The Program:

The U.S. Embassy in Tbilisi is pleased to announce the Fulbright Faculty Development Program competition for the 2011-12 academic year.

The Fulbright Faculty Development Program offers a non-degree, professional development program at a U.S. university for one academic year. It provides promising young university faculty the opportunity to:

- Develop new courses and implement curriculum reform at their home institutions;
- Cultivate teaching skills and techniques based on personal observation of U.S. educational methods;
- Expand the information base in their field of study;
- Become a vehicle for on-going contact and exchange between their home and host institutions.

Program activities include observing courses, developing curricula, gathering resource materials, attending conferences, collaborating with U.S. colleagues, and giving presentations. A formal affiliation with a U.S. university will be arranged on the finalists' behalf for the program period.

The Fulbright Scholarship is one of the most exclusive and important scholarships offered by the U.S. Government to Georgian academics. The recruitment of candidates for the Fulbright Faculty Development Program is carried out on an open competition basis by the Public Affairs Section of U.S. Embassy Tbilisi.

Eligible Fields:

Agriculture Environmental Sciences Political Science
American Studies Film Studies Psychology

Anthropology History Public Administration
Archaeology International Relations Public/Global Health

Art Information Sciences Social Work Biology Journalism Sociology

Business Administration Law Teaching English as a Chemistry Library Science Foreign Language

Dance Mathematics Theater

Economics Medical Sciences Urban Planning

Education Music Engineering Physics

Eligibility Requirements:

- · Applicants must be citizens of Georgia
- · Applicants must hold a university degree
- · Applicants must be currently teaching at an institution of higher education
- · Applicants must have at least two years of teaching experience at an institution of higher education by the time of application
- · Applicants must be proficient in oral and written English; Selected candidates will be required to take the TOEFL test (the U.S. Embassy will make all TOEFL arrangements)
- · Applicants must be eligible for J-1 visa, which requires the grantee to return to Georgia for a minimum of two years at the end of the grant period
- · Applicants must receive a satisfactory medical clearance

Please note: Persons desiring permanent residence in the United States are not eligible. The program does not support families/dependents of the participants.

The Fulbright Faculty Development Program provides round-trip international transportation, medical insurance, monthly stipends, and a professional development fund.

Application Process:

Interested applicants who meet the criteria as outlined above should complete an online application at: https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/international/20/

Online application includes:

- Research Objectives and a narrative Personal Statement
- Detailed curriculum vitae (CV)
- 3 letters of recommendation

The submission deadline for the online application is September 16, 2010.

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