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Date :- 09.09.2014

The Deputy Commissioner Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan All Regional Offices

Subject:- Annoucement of 2015 Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program

Sir,

The United States –India Educational Foundation (USIEF) has informed vide letter dated 26.08.2014 as under.

USIEF has announced the 2015 Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program and invites application from full time Indian teachers teaching any subject at any level (Primary, Middle or secondary) at a school in India. This program is also open to primary and secondary level media specialists/ librarian, guidance counselors, curriculum specialists, special education coordinators, gifted and talented coordinators, and administrators who spend at least fifty percent of their time teaching or working directly with students.

Selected international participants will be placed at a U.S host university School of Education from mid August to mid- December, 2015. The host university will provide a broad range of resources in the teachers' fields of expertise. International teachers who are selected to participate in the Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program will: 1) enroll in advanced under graduate lever classes, 2) design and conduct an inquiry project, 3) observe, team teach and for conduct seminars or workshops for U.S teachers and students in local schools: and 4) engage in other teaching related activities. Upon returning home, participants will be expected to share the knowledge and experience gained on the program with teachers and students in their home schools and within their communities.

Details regarding the Program and the application form/procedure have been uploaded website <a href="https://www.kvsangathan.nic.in">www.kvsangathan.nic.in</a>. Further details may also be checked on <a href="https://www.usief.org.in">www.usief.org.in</a>.

You are, requested to bring it to the notice of the teachers teaching in above subjects in Kendriya Vidyalayas under your jurisdiction. The printed copy of on-line application duly completed must reach this office on or before 30.09.2014 for onward submission to USIEF latest by 10.10.2014. The proposals will rot be entertained if received directly in this office or USIEF from the teachers/Principal. All concerned are, therefore, requested to apply through proper channel, i.e Regional Office concerned.

The Deputy Commissioners are requested to check the antecedents of applications especially vigilance clearance properly before recommending the cases to KVS (HQ)

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

Encl:- As above

Deputy Commissioners (Acad)

Copy to:

- 1. The Indian Program Manager, United Stated India Educational Foundations, 12, Hailey Road, New Delhi -110001 with reference to her letter dated 26.08.2014 for information.
- 2. The EDP Cell with the request to upload this letter along with enclosures on KVS website.



www.usief.org.in



August 26, 2014

Mr. P K Koul Deputy Commissioner (Acad) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan 18, Institutional Area Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg New Delhi 110 016

Sub: Announcement of 2015 Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program

Dear Mr. Koul:

Greetings from the United States-India Educational Foundation!

USIEF is happy to announce the **2015 Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program** and invites applications from full time Indian teachers teaching any subject at any level (primary, middle or secondary) at a school in India. This program is also open to primary and secondary level media specialists/librarians, guidance counselors, curriculum specialists, special education coordinators, gifted and talented coordinators, and administrators who spend at least fifty percent of their time teaching or working directly with students. Teacher trainers are also eligible. The program will bring teachers from Botswana, Finland, India, Israel, Mexico, New Zealand, Palestinian Territories, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, and Vietnam to the U.S. for a semester-long program.

Selected international participants will be placed at a U.S. host university School of Education from mid-August to mid-December, 2015. The host university will provide a broad range of resources in the teachers' fields of expertise. International teachers who are selected to participate in the Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program will 1) enroll in advanced undergraduate or graduate level classes, 2) design and conduct an inquiry project, 3) observe, team teach and/or conduct seminars or workshops for U.S. teachers and students in local schools; and 4) engage in other teaching related activities. Upon returning home, participants will be expected to share the knowledge and experience gained on the program with teachers and students in their home schools and within their communities.

Application deadline for Indian candidates is October 10, 2014.

Details regarding the program are enclosed. I would be grateful if you could post this announcement on would website and also bring it to the attention of interested teachers teaching in Kendriya Vidyalayas. Details about the program and application procedure are available on USIEF website <a href="https://www.usief.org.in">www.usief.org.in</a>

USIEF looks forward to your support and cooperation.

Sincerely

Gayatr Singhal

Indian Program Manager

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REGIONAL OFFICES:



# 2015-2016 Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program



# Program Description

The Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program, sponsored by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of State, recognizes and encourages excellence in teaching in the U.S. and abroad. It is part of the overall Fulbright Program, named in honor of Senator J. William Fulbright, which promotes mutual understanding among people of the United States and other countries. The program brings international teachers to the U.S. for a semester and sends U.S. teachers abroad for three to six months. For international teachers, the program is open to teachers from Botswana, Finland, India, Israel, Mexico, New Zealand, Palestinian Territories, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, and Vietnam.

Selected international participants will be placed at a U.S. host university School of Education from mid-August to mid-December, 2015. The host university will provide a broad range of resources in the teachers' fields of expertise. International teachers who are selected to participate in the Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program will 1) enroll in advanced undergraduate or graduate level classes, 2) design and conduct an inquiry project, 3) observe, team teach and/or conduct seminars or workshops for U.S. teachers and students in local schools; and 4) engage in other teaching related activities. Upon returning home, participants will be expected to share the knowledge and experience gained on the program with teachers and students in their home schools and within their communities.

# Eligibility Requirements

The applicants should:

- Be a citizen of India and reside in India at the time of application. Be qualified to obtain/hold a valid Indian passport.
- Hold at least a bachelor's degree. A teacher training degree is preferred.
- Be full time teachers teaching any subject at any level (primary, middle or secondary). Have at least five years of teaching experience.
- Primary and secondary level media specialists/librarians, guidance counselors, curriculum specialists, special education coordinators, gifted and talented coordinators, and administrators who spend at least fifty percent of their time teaching or working directly with students may also apply to the program.
- Teacher trainers are eligible to apply.
- Demonstrate experience conducting and leading workshops or other professional development activities for the colleagues.
- Demonstrate accomplishment in teaching or have previously received teaching awards or exemplary evaluations;
- Demonstrate good English language competence.

If you have taken any standard test of English language proficiency such as the TOEFL or IELTS, please attach a photocopy of the score report to your application. If you have not taken the TOEFL or IELTS and are selected as a nominee, you will be required to take the TOEFL in December 2014. USIEF will provide fee vouchers towards the TOEFL exam. The nominee should possess a paper based TOEFL score of 550 (213 Computer Based TOEFL, 79 Internet Based TOEFL) or an IELTS score of 6.5.

Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously participated in the program and to those whose projects will reach under served and/or under resourced populations.

#### **Grant Benefits**

Program costs such as tuition, room and board and transportation are covered by the Fulbright grant. Participants will receive a maintenance allowance designed to assist with the costs of living during the U.S. program. Grantees will also have the opportunity to apply for professional development funds during their program to support development and research or to cover the expenses of attending a conference or workshop related to their fields of teaching expertise.

Dependents are allowed to accompany the program participants. Grantees are responsible for all costs for family members while in the U.S. and must demonstrate that they have sufficient funds available to support their family while in the U.S.

## Inquiry Project

The inquiry project synthesizes the study, inquiry and professional development activities undertaken by Fulbright Distinguished Teachers while in the U.S. The form and content of the project is proposed by the applicant at the time of application. Projects should encourage cross-cultural dialogue, demonstrate relevance and applicability to education in India and the U.S.; and directly reflect and incorporate activities undertaken as part of the Fulbright program. Participants should be creative in developing program activities that will enhance their project and contribute to its successful completion and implementation. The host university will assign each participant a university faculty advisor who will help refine and complete the participants' project ideas. The final product(s) should be designed to benefit the students and colleagues in the participant's school and community in India.

### Application Procedure

You have to submit an **application online**. Click <a href="https://dafulbrightteachers.org/Home.aspx">https://dafulbrightteachers.org/Home.aspx</a> to access the online application.

For **instructions** on completing the online application, please visit the link <a href="http://www.usief.org.in/Fellowships/Distinguished-Fulbright-Awards-Teaching-Program.aspx">http://www.usief.org.in/Fellowships/Distinguished-Fulbright-Awards-Teaching-Program.aspx</a>.

Once you submit your online application print a copy. A print of the completed online application along with the Leave Authorization form, forwarded through the appropriate administrative authority/official must reach USIEF Delhi, 12 Hailey Road, New Delhi 110 001, no later than October 10, 2014. Please write ATTN: Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program on the envelope.

For any queries, you can write to Dr. Gayatri Singhal at gayatri@usief.org.in or call at 011-42090949.

## Selection Procedure and Timeline

- 1. Application Deadline:
- 2. Screening of applications:
- 3. National Interviews in Delhi:
- 4. Notification of Finalists:

October 10, 2014

end October 2014 mid to end November 2014

March 2015

Fellows will be selected through a merit-based open competition. After the application deadline, a screening committee will review all eligible applications. Short listed candidates will be interviewed by a committee in New Delhi which will select nominees whose names will be forwarded to Washington DC for further consideration. Nominees will be required to take the TOEFL examination in December 2014. All nominations from the participating countries will be reviewed by independent panels of educational experts in Washington, DC. The panel will then recommend selected applications for further consideration and approval by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FSB). All candidates will be notified of their status in March 2015.

Application Deadline is October 10, 2014

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