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Center for Latin American Studies Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Short-Term Seminar Application "Teaching the Andes" Summer 2017

The Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS) at The Ohio State University is seeking applications for the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad (GPA) Short Term Seminar, "Teaching the Andes: Redefining the common good and reclaiming the public square" for Summer 2017. The objective of the Fulbright-Hays GPA program is to contribute to the development and improvement of the study of modern foreign languages and area studies in the United States by providing training opportunities for faculty, teachers, and upperclassmen and/or graduate students in foreign countries where the United States has diplomatic representation.

Eligible GPA Project Participants

An individual is eligible to participate in a GPA project if they are:

- A citizen, national, or permanent resident of the United States; and
- Currently employed full-time in a U.S. school system, institution of higher education, Local Education Agency or State Education Agency (not applicable to students); and, at least one of the following:
 - o A teacher in an elementary or secondary school (please see note below);
 - A faculty member who teaches modern foreign languages or area studies to the k-12 community;
 - An experienced education administrator responsible for planning, conducting, or supervising programs in modern foreign languages or area studies at the elementary, or secondary levels;
 - A graduate student or junior or senior in an institution of higher education, who is a
 prospective teacher in the areas of social sciences, humanities and foreign languages.

(<u>Note</u>: All GPA participants must be educators, students, pre-service teachers or administrators who fulfill the criteria above and:

- Are currently teaching, studying, and/or administering in the eligible fields of humanities, social sciences, foreign languages, and/or area studies;
- Who may also be working in interdisciplinary areas such as business, health, social work, math, science, counseling, engineering, the environment and technology.

If you feel that you should be considered for this opportunity and do not meet the requirements listed above, please contact the Center for Latin American Studies).

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Restrictions on Participants

- Preference will be given to candidates who have not yet previously received a Fulbright award.
- If an individual has received a longer-term Fulbright Scholar, Teacher or Student award for more than two months, please check with the project manager to confirm eligibility
- Individuals who are not currently employed full-time are not eligible.
- Preference will be given to candidates who will not be retiring within the next 1-2 years.
- Individuals who do not meet the GPA program's eligibility criteria listed above are not eligible.

Restrictions on Non-Participants

• Spouse, family members, and friends who have not been selected to participate in this project according to the selection criteria stated in this application are not permitted to join the group at any point in the program.

The Award

The Fulbright-Hays GPA grant will cover the following:

- round-trip international travel from Columbus, OH to Ecuador and Peru
- all accommodations while abroad
- travel allowance (per diem) of \$1,476 for meals and incidental expenses
- instructional facilities, professional and travel services, guided tours and cultural activities, lectures, and other project expenses in countries of study

Participants will be required to pay the following expenses out-of-pocket:

- round-trip airfare/transportation to Columbus, Ohio for Pre-Departure Orientation prior to international group travel (cost will vary based on residence)
- lodging in Columbus, Ohio during Pre-Departure Orientation (CLAS will provide affordable lodging through Ohio State Conference Services at a rate of \$60/night)
- incidental expenses and some meals in Columbus, Ohio during Pre-Departure Orientation (breakfast and lunch will be provided by CLAS during both days of the orientation)

GPA Program payment:	Ohio State payment:	Participant payment:
International roundtrip airfare	Pre-departure Orientation Breakfast	Roundtrip travel to/from Columbus
(\$1,500 per person)	and Lunch (\$1000 total)	(cost varies)
Regional travel in country	Personnel salaries, benefits and	Lodging during Orientation
(\$634 per person)	project expenses: (\$58,245 total)	(\$60 - \$140 per night)
Accommodations in country		Incidental Expenses during Pre-
(\$1,646 per person)	Instructional Materials	Departure Orientation
	(\$500 total)	(cost varies)
Participant Per Diem in country		
(\$1,476 per person)		
Professional & logistical fees, and		
other in-country expenses		
(\$1,419 per person)		



Application Evaluation Criteria

The selection committee will evaluate candidates on:

- Past educational and teaching experience;
- Intellectual potential and commitment to the region;
- Likelihood of integrating new course curriculum upon return; and
- The applicant's current level of language proficiency in Spanish.

Application Requirements

The applicant is required to submit:

- Completed online application form
- Curriculum Vitae or Resume
- One Letter of Commitment from the applicant's supervisor confirming good standing with the employer and guaranteeing opportunities to share experiences/resources developed during the program
- One Letter of Recommendation
- 500 word Statement of Intent, including:
 - o their interest in the program;
 - o their commitment to teaching the Andes; and
 - o how they will incorporate what they learn into their educational curricula

Only electronic submissions will be accepted. Application materials should be uploaded in PDF files only. Files uploaded in other formats *will not be reviewed*. Please address questions about the application or process to Megan Hasting at hasting.6@osu.edu or at (614) 688-4285.

The deadline to submit applications is Friday, January 13, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. EST.



Obligation and Responsibilities of American Grantees

- Under the grant of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 (also known as the Fulbright Act), each project participant has certain obligations and responsibilities:
- A person accepting a grant is <u>not</u> by virtue thereof an official or employee of the U.S. Department
 of Education or other agency of the Government of the United States of America, or of an agency
 of the government of the host country.
- O GPA project participants are responsible for observing satisfactory academic and professional standards and for maintaining a standard of conduct and integrity which is in keeping with the spirit and intent of the Fulbright Program and which will contribute positively to the promotion of mutual understanding between peoples of the United States and those of other countries.
- o GPA project participants are expected to obey the laws of the host country.
- It should be recognized that American citizens who make public political statements abroad or who engage in political activities abroad may thereby become involved in the domestic political process of their host country, even if they wish only to express agreement or disagreement with U.S. Government policy.
- A project director therefore <u>is responsible</u> for protecting the non-political character of the project during their grant period.
- GPA project participants should be aware that their public political statements or activity might draw them into the political arena, which can be incompatible with objectives of the project.
 Participants are responsible for exercising discretion and judgment in all of their actions.

Revocation or Termination of Project Participants

Upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Education, the Presidentially-appointed J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FSB) may terminate or revoke a participant. Reasons for possible termination or revocation may include but are not limited to the following:

- Violation of the laws of the U.S. or the host country;
- Acts likely to be offensive to the host country;
- o Failure to observe satisfactory academic or professional standards;
- o Failure to devote full time to project activities;
- o Physical or mental incapacitation; and
- Engaging in unauthorized income producing activities which are inconsistent with the purpose and best interest of the program.

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