



### ***Special Topic Issue: International Programs***

#### **Business and International Education (BIE) Program**

##### **U.S. Department of Education**

URL: <http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2003-3/082703a.html>

**Application due date:** November 7, 2003.

The Business and International Education (BIE) Program provides grants to institutions of higher education to enhance international business education programs and to expand the capacity of the business community to engage in international economic activities. Only institutions of higher education that enter into agreements with trade associations, business enterprises, or trade organizations that are engaged in international economic activity are eligible to apply for grant support. Estimated range of awards: \$50,000-\$95,000 for projects of up to two years. Estimated number of awards: 33. The Department is particularly interested in receiving applications that meet the following invitational priorities.

**Invitational Priority 1:** Applications from institutions of higher education that propose educational projects that include activities that promote an understanding of economic education for K-12 educators.

**Invitational Priority 2:** Applications from institutions of higher education that propose educational projects that include activities focused on the targeted world areas of Central and South Asia, the Middle East, Russia, the Independent States of the former Soviet Union, and Africa. These projects should be integrated into the curricula of the home institution or institutions.

Grant recipients or their partners must provide no less than 50 percent of the total cost of the project in each fiscal year; however, this contribution may be met through in-kind contributions such as the salary (and fringe benefits) associated with the effort of faculty assisting in the project. For further information, visit the URL cited above from the August 27, 2003 Federal Register and/or contact Tom Murphy at extension 3-6810.

#### ***A word about cost sharing on grants...***

Certain grant competitions may require that the University "cost-share." In the case of the BIE Program described on this page, grant recipients must cost-share no less than 50% of the total cost of the project. *Sometimes achieving this target is not as difficult as it may seem!* The University's contribution to the cost of a project can often be met through salaries and associated personnel costs. This is a standard practice of colleges and universities. For further advice on how cost-share obligations can be met on a grant award, please contact Sofia Kakoulidis or Tom Murphy in the Office for Research and Sponsored Programs.

#### **International Research and Studies Program**

##### **U.S. Department of Education**

URL: <http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2003-3/082603c.html>

**Application due date:** November 7, 2003.

The International Research and Studies Program provides grants to conduct research and studies to improve and strengthen instruction in modern foreign languages, area studies, and other international fields. Estimated range of awards: \$30,000-\$170,000 for projects of one to three years. Estimated number of awards: 19. The Department is particularly interested in receiving applications that meet the following invitational priorities.

**Invitational Priority 1:** Research, surveys, studies, or development of instructional materials that are nonbiased, factually accurate and solicitous of diverse views, and that serve to enhance international understanding for use at the elementary and secondary education levels, or for use in teacher education programs.

**Invitational Priority 2:** The development of instructional materials that are nonbiased, factually accurate and solicitous of diverse views on the Middle East, Central Asia, and South Asia or the languages spoken in these regions.

**Invitational Priority 3:** Studies assessing the outcomes and effectiveness of programs authorized under title VI of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (programs to promote, improve and develop international education throughout the educational structure of the U.S.), as amended, and related programs supported under section 102(b)(6) of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961.

For further information on the Department of Education's International Research and Studies Program, visit the URL cited above from the August 26, 2003 Federal Register and/or contact Tom Murphy at extension 3-6810.

## **Edmund S. Muskie/FREEDOM Support Act Graduate Fellowship Program**

### **American Councils for International Education**

Projected application due date: January 31, 2004.

URL: <http://www.americancouncils.org/program.asp?PageID=83&ProgramID=22>

American Councils is an international not-for-profit organization leading the development and exchange of knowledge between the US and Eastern Europe/Eurasia. The American Councils mission is to foster independence and democratic development by advancing education and research, cultivating leadership, and empowering individuals and institutions through learning.

The Edmund S. Muskie/FREEDOM Support Act Graduate Fellowship program provides citizens of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan with the opportunity to pursue graduate study at the master's level in the United States. Students are chosen in the fields of business administration, economics, education, environmental management and policy, international affairs, journalism and mass communications, law, library and information science, public administration, public health, and public policy. The program provides full scholarships to participants, including university tuition, fees, room, board, health insurance, monthly stipend, book allowance, and international and domestic travel. Each year, American Councils places more than 250 students in dozens of fields in hundreds of colleges and universities across the United States. Host institutions are selected competitively. The American Councils invites eligible US institutions to apply to host students and scholars. Projected application due date: January 31, 2004. For further information, visit the URL cited above and contact Tom Murphy at extension 3-6810.

## **International Research Fellowship Program (IRFP)**

### **National Science Foundation**

Application due date: October 14, 2003.

URL: <http://www.nsf.gov/pubsys/ods/getpub.cfm?nsf02149>

The objective of the International Research Fellowship Program (IRFP) is to introduce scientists and engineers in the early stages of their careers to research opportunities abroad, thereby furthering NSF's goal of establishing productive, mutually-beneficial relationships between U.S. and foreign science and engineering communities. These awards are available for research in any field of science and engineering research and education supported by NSF. Appointments may run from 2-24 months. Foreign science or engineering centers and other centers of excellence in all geographical regions are eligible host institutions. For further information, visit the URL cited above and contact Tom Murphy at extension 3-6810.

## **Individual Advanced Research Opportunities (IARO)**

*Including, Fellowships in Policy Research and Development and Fellowships in the Humanities*

### **International Research and Exchanges Board (IREX)**

Application due date: November 1, 2003.

URL: <http://www.irex.org/programs/iaro/application.asp>

Policy Research and Development grants of two to nine months are available to pre-doctoral and postdoctoral scholars and holders of other terminal graduate degrees (including MBA and JD) for research in Europe and Eurasia. Pre-doctoral candidates must have completed all requirements for the PhD except the dissertation by the time of participation. US scholars in the social sciences, as well as in comparative and inter-disciplinary studies, are strongly encouraged to apply. Successful applicants must demonstrate how their research will make a substantive contribution to knowledge of the contemporary political, economic, or cultural developments in the region, and how such knowledge is relevant to US foreign policy. Grants of four to nine months are also available to postdoctoral scholars and holders of other terminal graduate degrees for humanities research in Europe, Eurasia, Mongolia, Turkey, and Iran. Very limited funding is available for pre-doctoral humanities scholars. For further information, visit the URL cited above and contact Tom Murphy at extension 3-6810.

*For further information on International Programs, visit*

[www.hofstra.edu/research](http://www.hofstra.edu/research) or [www.hofstra.edu/grants](http://www.hofstra.edu/grants)

*and click on "Funding Sources" > "International"*

## **Regional Fulbright Scholars Workshop Scheduled for October 1**

Susan Sharp, Higher Education Liaison Officer for the Fulbright Scholar Program, advises that the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) will offer a workshop on the Fulbright Program for Faculty and Professionals on Wednesday, October 1, from noon through 3:00 pm. This year's regional workshop will be held at Adelphi University. Learn about lecturing and research opportunities in more than 140 countries; receive valuable advice on which country to apply to and making contacts abroad; learn how to prepare a complete and responsive Fulbright application; and, discover how Hofstra University can host visiting foreign Fulbright scholars. There is no charge for the workshop. Interested faculty are encouraged to attend and advised to contact Mary Cortina at [cortina@adlibv@adelphi.edu](mailto:cortina@adlibv@adelphi.edu) or 516-877-3259 to reserve a space. Please RSVP by September 25, as lunch will be ordered.