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## **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

UCLA African Studies Center announces its

FULBRIGHT-HAYS GROUP PROJECTS ABROAD PROGRAM  
CFDA NUMBER 84.021A

**“Lessons on African Diversity:  
Multiculturalism & Religious Intersections in Morocco”**  
June 2009

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African Studies Center

Los Angeles, California

## ***Lessons on African Diversity: Multiculturalism & Religious Intersections in Morocco***

The UCLA African Studies Center invites applications from teachers and educators for participation in a Fulbright-Hays Group Project Abroad (GPA) program to Morocco.

### **THE PROJECT**

The GPA program consists of three main phases:

#### **Phase 1: Pre-departure Preparation and Orientation**

A pre-departure orientation conducted over three days at UCLA to prepare participants for the proposed field study tour of Morocco, including discussion and refinement of participants' research strategy and curriculum development project plans.

#### **Phase 2: Curriculum Development Project in Morocco**

A five-week comprehensive program of study, travel, research, acquisition of resource materials and curriculum writing in Morocco (end of June until the end of July 2009). Itinerary includes time spent in Casablanca, Marrakesh, Fes and Tangiers along with day-trips to near-by villages and towns.

#### **Phase 3: Follow-up Activities and Dissemination**

A series of follow-up workshops at UCLA planned for the fall and winter quarters (October – March 2009) to refine and complete curriculum modules.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Participation in the UCLA's 2009 Fulbright-Hays GPA program, *Lessons on African Diversity: Multiculturalism & Religious Intersections in Morocco*, is subject to eligibility criteria established for all federally subsidized programs. **Applicants must be United States citizens or permanent residents of the United States.** (See *Federal Register*/ Vol. 73, No. 159 / Friday, August 15, 2008/Notices)

Eligible applicants are as follows:

1. K-12 educators (teachers, library/media specialists, curriculum coordinators, etc.);
2. Faculty members who teach modern foreign languages or area studies at the post-secondary level;
3. Experienced administrators responsible for planning, conducting or supervising programs in modern foreign languages or area studies at the elementary, secondary or post-secondary level.

### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

Applicants will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Strength of application;
- Demonstrated potential for curricular innovation;
- Quality of written proposal for a curriculum development project in Morocco;
- Willingness to become a resource person in the local schools and communities, and to participate in local, statewide and national workshops and professional meetings;
- Support from school system/institution;
- Commitment to participate in the dissemination of the teaching units developed;
- Proven characteristics of adaptability, sensitivity, perseverance, and open-mindedness needed to live and study successfully in Morocco.

## SELECTION COMMITTEE

Applications will be reviewed and participants selected by a **GPA Participant Selection Committee** representing UCLA, the Moroccan-American Cultural Center and curriculum advisors for the International Institute Teachers' Workshops.

## REQUIREMENTS

1. Each participant will pay a fee of up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) toward the cost of the project. This fee will be due upon **applicant's acceptance** into the program.
2. Each participant must have a valid passport (valid for at least 6 months) and visa, be able to document good health, and provide proof of health and traveler's insurance coverage.
3. Under **no circumstances** will a spouse, other relatives or friends of a GPA participant travel with or accompany the group on the field study tour in Morocco.
4. The following expenses are **not covered** by the United States Department of Education or UCLA and **must be borne** by the participant:
  - The \$1,000 fee to be paid to UCLA;
  - Roundtrip transportation from participant's home institution to UCLA campus;
  - Passport and visa fees;
  - Inoculations and other health care expenses related to travel abroad;
  - Personal travel done on a participant's own time and initiative in Morocco; and
  - All other related **personal** expenses.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

To receive full consideration, an eligible applicant must submit the original plus two (2) copies of the application packet, and three (3) official letters of reference, **no later than April 17, 2009**.

Applications can be hand-delivered, mailed or sent via courier service to:

GPA Program to Morocco Application  
UCLA African Studies Center  
405 Hilgard Ave  
10244 Bunche Hall  
Los Angeles, CA 90095-1310

Applicants will be notified of acceptance at the **earliest by end of April**. At that time the \$1,000 fee will be due and successful applicants will be sent additional information about the program.

For further information on submission of applications, contact the UCLA African Studies Center:

Tel: (310) 825-3686  
Fax: (310) 206-2250  
E-mail: [africa@international.ucla.edu](mailto:africa@international.ucla.edu)

## APPLICATION

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**Directions:**

1. Read the information in the "Call for Applications" document carefully.
2. Complete the application.
3. Request three (3) letters of reference from three school administrators, one of whom is your immediate supervisor.
4. Submit the complete original application and two (2) copies of and supporting materials postmarked **no later than April 17, 2009**.

**Return application to:**

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**APPLICATION FORM**

**A. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION** *[Please write legibly or type all answers]*

1. Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

2. Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

3. Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

4. School \_\_\_\_\_ # of years there \_\_\_\_\_

5. School Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

6. School Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

7. Name of immediate supervisor\* \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

8. Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

*\*One of the three letters of reference MUST be from this person*

9. Grade(s) or level(s) taught \_\_\_\_\_

10. Course(s) taught \_\_\_\_\_

11. Check all that apply

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Elementary \_\_\_\_\_

Administrator \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_

Librarian \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary \_\_\_\_\_

Nonpublic \_\_\_\_\_ College \_\_\_\_\_

Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**B. EXPERIENCE** *[Please respond to the following - use separate sheets if necessary]*

1. Africa course content currently taught:

*[List topics or themes, regions and countries, amount of time spent, and materials used]*

2. Previous teaching experience:

*[Indicate school and location, grade level(s), subjects, and dates]*

3. Participation in UCLA International Institute Teachers' workshop:

*[List all workshops you've attended include world area, date and attach units developed]*

4. Conference and workshop presentations:

*[List title of presentations, names of conferences/workshops, location and dates]*

5. Recognition:

*[List distinctions, awards, honors, etc., with dates]*

6. Previous Overseas Travel:

*[List countries, purpose of visit, length of stay, and dates]*

7. United States government or other educational/travel grants previously received:  
*[List title of grant, agency, host country and dates]*

8. Discuss your personal and professional experiences with other cultures (Cross-cultural teaching or living):

9. Describe your experience with close group living in an intensive program:

10. What curriculum project do you intend to carry out in Morocco and how will you benefit from the people and resources there?

11. Describe how you will incorporate the results of the project into your professional work:

12. Discuss any health concerns or special needs you have as a participant:

13. Additional information or comments you wish to have considered by the GPA Participant Selection Committee:

14. Write a proposal detailing research strategy and curriculum development project you will carry out during the duration of this GPA program: *[Limit to two type-written pages, single-spaced]*

15. Provide the names of the other two school administrators writing letters of reference for you:

a). \_\_\_\_\_ tel. # \_\_\_\_\_

b). \_\_\_\_\_ tel. # \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information provided on this application is correct to the best of my knowledge and ability and that I agree to the terms and conditions of the award if selected. I also agree, if selected, to adhere to the following provisions:

1. To complete all project-related activities including the pre-departure orientation, the field study tour, and the follow-up activities;

2. To implement curricular plans and materials in the classroom (school); and

3. To participate in follow up activities and discuss experiences in Morocco and the ways to incorporate this knowledge and understanding into classroom (school) activities.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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### LETTER OF REFERENCE

To be completed by the Applicant:

1. Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

2. (Optional) I hereby waive my rights to read this confidential recommendation, as provided in the Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructions to the Referee: (If the applicant has signed Item 2 above, the confidentiality of this letter is assured)

The applicant has applied to participate in a Fulbright-Hays Group Project Abroad program. The program includes a residential preparatory orientation at UCLA, an intensive five-week program of study, research and curriculum development in Morocco, and a series of follow-up workshops in the United States. It requires the ability to live and work closely in a group, travel in stressful situations, and to complete a project. Upon her/his return from Morocco s/he will engage in outreach to professional colleagues and to the community.

Please state below your opinion of the applicant's ability to carry on intensive study and research and to fulfill the requirements of the program and of the follow-up. Please also address the applicant's motivation and seriousness of purpose, interpersonal and group-living skills, adaptability to unfamiliar living conditions, and ability to withstand stress and to live in Morocco. (Use the reverse side if necessary and/or a separate sheet, but attach the original)

Overall, I would rank this applicant as \_\_\_\_\_ (1= poor, 2= fair, 3= good, 4= very good, 5= outstanding)

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail the completed reference to: UCLA African Studies Center, 405 Hilgard Ave, 10244 Bunche Hall, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1310. **NOTE:** For the applicant's application to receive full consideration, this letter must be postmarked **no later than April 17, 2009.**