RESEARCH IN THE UNITED STATES

2010 Fulbright Awards for Scholars and Professionals from the Caribbean and Central America

Research and/or Academic Training awards for three to four months are offered under the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act (Fulbright Program) for scholars and professionals from countries of the Caribbean and Central America. Please see the "Special Instructions for Scholars from Central America and the Caribbean for additional info about grant length.

ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION

University faculty and professionals are eligible to apply. Applicants must have at a minimum a master's degree and either three years of university teaching experience or five years of professional experience.

This program is not designed for study toward a graduate degree, for the completion of a doctoral dissertation or conference attendance. Candidates who have not visited the United States for an appreciable period within the past five years will be given preference. Candidates must demonstrate an adequate knowledge of English. Applicants must be Citizens or permanent residents qualified to hold a valid passport issued by the country from which they apply. Persons holding permanent U.S. visas are not eligible.

RESEARCH OR TRAINING TOPICS

Applications will be accepted in all fields, but the Public Affairs Section in the U.S. Embassy may prioritize some disciplines.

GRANT PROVISIONS

Round-trip economy international travel for grantee only.

A lump sum grant of U.S. \$10,000. This amount is meant to cover all expenses, including settling-in costs ٠ room and board, associated research costs, and academic training program costs (if applicable).

Sickness/accident insurance.

Please note: Grantees are responsible for identifying, independently registering for, and paying all fees for a training program should they choose that option. Academic training programs may require full or partial payment in advance of the program, but grant funds will not be dispersed until a grantee arrives in the United States. Grantees should be prepared to cover any fees required in advance from personal funds.

APPLICATION

Applicants must complete the application online (https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/scholars) by Friday, March 26, 2010 and submit a copy of the form electronically to Ms. Cheryl Brown, Manager, Office of Sponsored Research, University of the West Indies (UWI), Mona: cheryl.brown@uwimona.edu.jm; Mr. Hector Wheeler, Director of Advancement, University of Technology (UTech), Jamaica: hwheeler@utech.edu.jm; or Dr. Beverly Cameron, Vice President, Academic Administration, Northern Caribbean University (NCU) in Mandeville: <u>bcameron@ncu.edu.jm</u>. These persons will submit a copy of each application to Applicants will be notified of selection or non-selection by late June, 2010. Grants may take place during any 3-4 month period between September 1, 2010 and December 31, 2011. All grant activities must conclude by December 31, 2011.

ACADEMIC AFFILIATION

The Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) in Washington, D.C. will issue grant documents, disburse grant funds and provide administrative services, and can help arrange or confirm academic affiliations for grantees.

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