

# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

## INTERNATIONAL AND FOREIGN LANGUAGE EDUCATION

**SEMINARS ABROAD (SA)**

U.S. educators and administrators study abroad for four weeks in the summer, participating in immersive educational and cultural activities to improve their understanding of the peoples and cultures of other countries. Based on their seminar experiences, participants develop cross-cultural curricula for their home educational contexts. There are typically three seminars each year, with 16 participants each.

**GROUP PROJECTS ABROAD (GPA)**

Grants to institutions of higher education and education organizations for overseas projects in training, research, and curriculum development in modern foreign languages and area studies. Participants are faculty, K-12 teachers, and undergraduate and graduate students. Projects include short-term seminars, curriculum development, group research, and advanced intensive language programs.

**DOCTORAL DISSERTATION RESEARCH ABROAD (DDRA) FELLOWSHIPS**

Fellowships, awarded through colleges and universities, to fund Ph.D. candidates to conduct full-time dissertation research abroad in modern foreign languages and area studies. Fellowships support research for six to 12 months.

**FACULTY RESEARCH ABROAD (FRA) FELLOWSHIPS**

Fellowships, awarded through colleges and universities, to fund faculty members' research overseas in modern foreign languages and area studies for three to 12 months.

**NATIONAL RESOURCE CENTERS (NRC)**

Grants to institutions of higher education to establish, strengthen, and operate centers that serve as resources for modern foreign language training and area/international studies. Centers provide instruction at the undergraduate, graduate, and professional levels, and may focus on world regions or a range of global topics and interdisciplinary issues. Outreach activities are conducted to engage diverse stakeholders in international education topics and events.

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES (FLAS) FELLOWSHIPS**

Grants to institutions of higher education to provide academic year and summer fellowship awards to students pursuing advanced language training in combination with area/international studies. A majority of FLAS fellowships support the study of less commonly taught languages.

**CENTERS FOR INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS EDUCATION (CIBE)**

Grants to business schools for curriculum development, research, and training on issues of importance to U.S. trade and competitiveness. CIBEs offer instruction to undergraduate and graduate students and provide consulting to the U.S. business community on topics related to international business, e.g., imports/exports.

**LANGUAGE RESOURCE CENTERS (LRC)**

Grants to institutions of higher education for to establish, strengthen, and operate centers that improve the nation's capacity for teaching and learning foreign languages. Centers specialize in teacher training and professional development, materials development, research, assessment, and dissemination.

**UNDERGRADUATE INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AND FOREIGN LANGUAGE (UISFL) PROGRAM**

Grants to institutions of higher education to plan, develop, and carry out new programs to strengthen and improve undergraduate instruction in area/international studies and foreign languages. Many UISFL grantees are community colleges, small four-year colleges and universities, and Minority-Serving Institutions.

**AMERICAN OVERSEAS RESEARCH CENTERS (AORC)**

Grants to consortia of institutions of higher education to establish or operate overseas research centers that promote postgraduate research, exchanges, and area studies. Centers provide logistical and scholarly assistance to American researchers and faculty abroad.

**INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH AND STUDIES (IRS)**

Grants to individuals, institutions of higher education, and public and private agencies and organizations. Grants may be used to develop specialized instructional materials and to conduct research, surveys, studies, and evaluations in modern foreign languages, area studies, or other international fields.