



Announcement

The Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement (TEA) Program 2019-2020

The U.S. Embassy Hanoi and the U.S. Consulate General Ho Chi Minh City is pleased to announce the 2019-2020 Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement (TEA) Program. Funded by the U.S. Department of State, the Fulbright TEA Program provides middle and high school teachers with unique opportunities to develop expertise in their subject areas, enhance their teaching skills, and increase their knowledge about the United States. Complete applications must be submitted ONLINE no later than **April 15, 2019**.

Program Overview

The Fulbright TEA Program consists of a six-week non-degree, non-credit customized academic program including seminars on new teaching methodologies, curriculum development, lesson planning, and instructional technology. Participants will also participate in a practicum in a U.S. secondary school near the host university to work closely with U.S. teachers and teach and present to U.S. students. Cultural enrichment, mentoring, and support will be provided throughout the program.

The international participants will travel to the United States in either spring of 2020 or fall of 2020. Up to four teachers will be selected from Vietnam for this program.

All participant costs, including program administration, international and domestic travel and ground transportation, housing and subsistence, health insurance, and book, cultural, mailing and incidental allowances will be sponsored by the U.S. Department of State.

Selection Process and Criteria

Fulbright TEA Fellows will be selected through a merit-based open competition based on the criteria below. Top candidates will be interviewed by a U.S. Embassy/U.S. Consulate General interview panel.

Applicants must:

- Be citizens of Vietnam;
- Be current secondary school-level, full-time teachers at a public school in Vietnam (including both middle and high school teachers serving students between approximately 12 and 18 years of age);
- Have five or more years of classroom experience in TEA teaching disciplines: English, EFL, Social Studies, Mathematics, Science, or Special Education;
- Have earned a bachelor's degree or equivalent;
- Demonstrate a commitment to continue teaching after completion of the program; and
- Obtain a minimum score of 450 on paper based TOEFL or equivalent English language examination (Candidates are encouraged but NOT required to submit a certificate of English language proficiency. The U.S. Consulate General will arrange a free internet-based TOEFL test for the shortlisted candidates).

The following individuals are NOT eligible: Officials from the Ministry of Education and Training or provincial Departments of Education and Training, full-time principals or educational administrators, full-time teacher trainers, university faculty, private English language tutors, and teachers from schools primarily serving expatriates.

Applicants who have recently participated in similar programs in the U.S. or other Western countries will be given lower priority. Teachers working in under-resourced communities will be given higher priority.

How to Apply?

Applications must be submitted online at: <https://oas.irex.org/fulbrighttea/>

Submission deadline: **April 15, 2019**

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FULBRIGHT TEACHING EXCELLENCE AND ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

The Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement (Fulbright TEA) Program brings international secondary-level teachers to the United States for a six-week program that offers academic seminars for professional development at a host university. Participants observe classrooms and share their expertise with teachers and students at the host university and at local secondary schools.

Program Activities and Timeline



General academic seminars focusing on new teaching methodologies, content-based instruction, project-based learning, infusing thematic topics into curriculum, lesson planning, and instructional technology training for teachers.



A practicum of at least 40 hours with a U.S. partner teacher in local secondary schools.



A variety of relevant professional development and cultural activities.

Accepting applications December – April 2019

Applicants notified September 2019

Spring 2020 Cohort Program January – March 2020

Fall 2020 Cohort Program September – October 2020

The Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement (Fulbright TEA) Program is a program sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), with funding provided by the U.S. Government and administered by IREX.



Eligible Countries and Territories

Algeria • Argentina • Armenia • Azerbaijan • Bangladesh • Belarus • Bolivia • Burkina Faso • Burma
Cambodia • Cameroon • Chile • Colombia • Costa Rica • Cote d'Ivoire • Dominican Republic • Ecuador
Egypt • El Salvador • Estonia • Georgia • Ghana • Guatemala • Haiti • Honduras • India • Iraq • Jordan
Kazakhstan • Kyrgyzstan • Laos • Latvia • Lithuania • Malawi • Malaysia • Mali • Moldova • Mongolia
Mozambique • Nepal • Nicaragua • Nigeria • Panama • Peru • Russia • Rwanda • South Africa • Sri Lanka
Sudan • Tajikistan • Tanzania • Thailand • Tunisia • Turkey • Turkmenistan • Ukraine • Uruguay • Uzbekistan
Venezuela • Vietnam • West Bank/Gaza • Zambia • Zimbabwe

Eligibility and Selection Criteria

- Current secondary-level, full-time teachers of English, English as a Foreign Language (EFL), math, science, or social studies (civics, history, geography, global studies, etc.), including special education teachers in those subjects at institutions serving primarily a local population
- Bachelor's degree or equivalent
- Five or more years of full-time teaching experience
- Demonstrated oral and written English language proficiency
- Citizen and resident of participating Fulbright TEA country
- Other requirements as indicated in the application

An independent review committee will be convened to select participants for the program through merit-based competition.

The Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program provides:



J-1 visa
support



Roundtrip
airfare



Accommodations,
meals, and
incidentals for the
duration of the
program



Accident and
sickness medical
coverage
(supplementary to
participant's existing
insurance)



An end-of
program
workshop in
Washington, D.C.



Professional
development
and cultural
activities

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About IREX

IREX is a global development and education nonprofit organization whose mission is to build a more just, prosperous, and inclusive world by empowering youth, cultivating leaders, strengthening institutions, and extending access to quality education and opportunity. The U.S. Department of State awarded IREX a grant to implement this program on its behalf.