

# 2013

## *E-Teacher Scholarship Program*

### English Teacher Professional Development Distance Learning Program

**E-Teacher Scholarship Program** coordinated by the Office of English Language Programs at the U.S. Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs offers English teaching professionals living outside of the United States the opportunity to take one of nine innovative, online professional development courses through the University of Oregon. The courses last approximately ten weeks and explore major areas of the academic specialty of Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL). The courses will be offered in the spring and summer of 2013, though not all nine courses will be offered each term.

#### BENEFITS

In addition to specific knowledge of each of the nine major areas of TEFL, each course:

- Introduces participants to the most recent TEFL methods and techniques.
- Engages participants in an innovative distance-learning program, employing the latest in modern technology.
- Provides participants with direct access to U.S. experts.

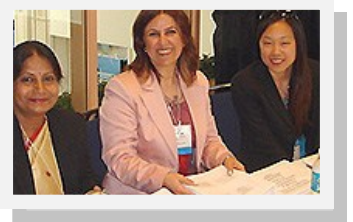
#### CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should be highly motivated teachers or teacher trainers who are both dedicated to their own professional development and to sharing the knowledge gained with colleagues through workshops or professional presentations.

#### **Qualified candidates should have:**

- The ability to complete academic work at a U.S. university level (an advanced level of reading and writing in English)
- An understanding of English technical terms relating to computers and the Internet.
- Consistent and reliable access to the Internet.
- A familiarity with Windows, the Internet and web browsers.
- The ability to create a Word document.
- The ability to type in English well enough to perform online tasks in real-time and submit written assignments in a timely manner.

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**Candidates should also be committed to fulfilling the program requirements**

**(dedicating on average 8-10 hours of work per week) and completing the course.**

## PARTICIPANT COSTS

Participant costs are covered through a cooperative agreement between the Bureau of Educational Affairs and the U.S. institution that conducts the program. This includes tuition and the costs of any course materials sent from the institution, including CD-ROMs and books, for each participant.

## COURSE MATERIALS

Course materials will include, but are not limited to, the following:

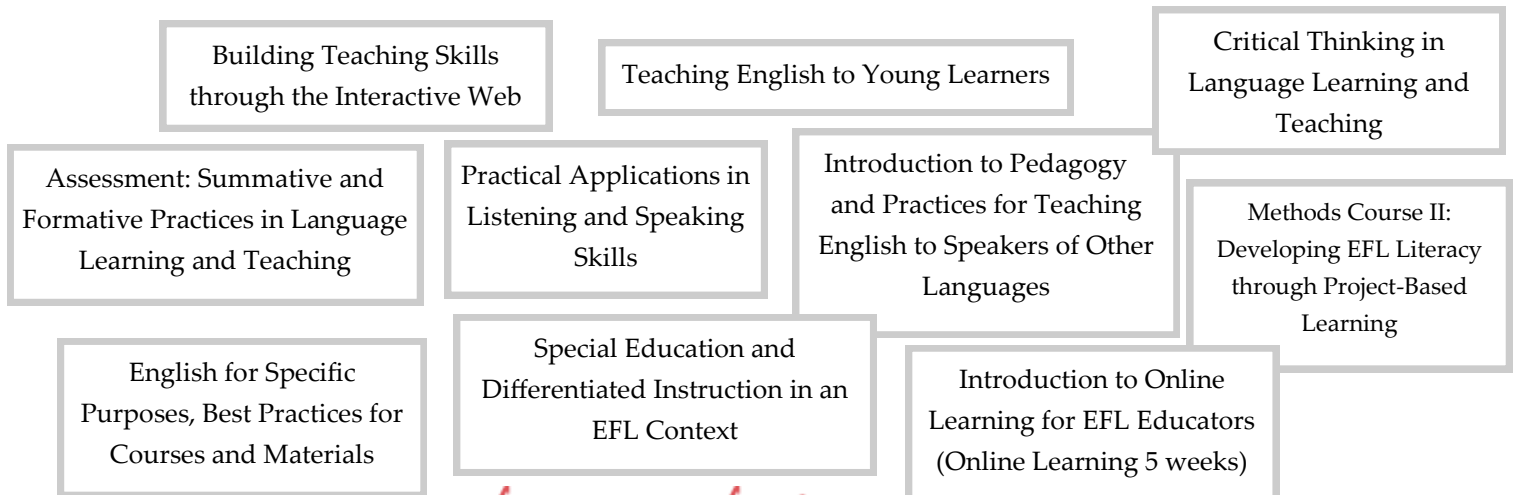
- downloadable or posted syllabi, assignments, and course readings;
- asynchronous and/or synchronous contact between instructors and participants, between other experts and participants, and among participants;
- lectures via real-time, text, or audio-enhanced text;
- use of a bulletin board to post notes, assignments, feedback, etc.;
- information on additional web-based resources;
- Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs resources for English teachers.

Participants who successfully complete the course will receive a certificate of participation directly from the course provider.

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS CAN BE VIEWED AT:

<http://exchanges.state.gov/englishteaching/eteacher/courses.html>

## EXAMPLES OF 2013 COURSE TITLES INCLUDE:



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## HOW TO APPLY

U.S. Embassy in Helsinki manages the selection and nomination of Finnish candidates for the program. Applications can be downloaded at: [http://finland.usembassy.gov/eteacher\\_2013.html](http://finland.usembassy.gov/eteacher_2013.html)

**The application form should be submitted electronically no later than Monday, December 17, 2012** to the Embassy of the United States, Education and Exchange Programs Coordinator Mirka McIntire, e-mail: [USHelsinkiExchanges@state.gov](mailto:USHelsinkiExchanges@state.gov)