

2010 India Summer Teacher Program

Educational Seminar

**Application for U.S. Secondary School
Grades 9-12 Teachers
of
ENGLISH, MATH, OR SCIENCE**



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EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR: 2010 INDIA SUMMER TEACHER PROGRAM

Program Overview

The 2010 India Summer Teacher Program provides an opportunity for U.S. teachers of English, math and science to collaborate and teach with an Indian counterpart for approximately four weeks. U.S. teachers will participate in a pre-departure orientation program in Washington, DC; attend an in-country orientation in New Delhi, India; and, participate in a program debrief in Washington. Grantees will be assigned to schools in New Delhi, where the medium of instruction is English, and will team-teach with their Indian counterpart in their subject area. Strong candidates will demonstrate the willingness and ability to sensitively bridge cultural differences and should be willing to engage in school responsibilities and to make presentations at their host schools and other venues. Applicants should be creative, self-reliant, and able to maintain excellent relationships with faculty, staff, and students. Candidates should have a sincere interest in learning from the experience of others and sharing their own best practices.

India Summer Teacher Program goals:

- To improve mutual understanding among teachers, school administrators and their schools and communities in the U.S. and India through professional development and exchange.
- To support the internationalization and increased quality of instruction in the U.S. and India.
- To provide U.S. teachers the opportunity to interact with one another and to share perspectives about their educational systems and on the content and methodology of teaching English, math or science.
- To increase Indian and American students' and communities' knowledge of global issues, and to provide them with the opportunity to learn about one another's culture and society.

Teachers selected to participate will:

- Attend a brief Washington, DC pre-departure orientation immediately prior to travel to India in early July; 2010;
- Travel to New Delhi after pre-departure orientation;
- Attend a pre-program orientation in New Delhi;
- Participate on program in New Delhi for approximately four weeks from mid-July through mid-August, 2010;
- Participate in a virtual debrief in late August;
- Be eligible to participate in alumni activities that foster collaboration between American and Indian host schools.

Grant Provisions:

- Airfare, pre-departure orientation program accommodations in Washington, DC;
- International airfare, pre-program orientation accommodations in New Delhi, India;
- Program accommodations, meals, and an incidental allowance;
- Airfare, back to home city.

India Summer Teacher Program Award Qualifications and Selection Criteria

In order to be considered for the program applicants must:

- Have the equivalent of a Bachelor's (four-year) degree in education and have a good academic record of achievement;
- Have at least three years experience teaching English, math or science at the secondary level;
- Be employed full-time in the U.S. as a high school (grades 9 through 12) teacher of English, math or science;
- Be a U.S. citizen;
- Have submitted a complete application;
- Be able to participate in the orientation and complete the four week program in New Delhi, India

Selection will be based on the program application and statement of purpose. Candidates may be asked to participate in a telephone interview.

Calendar for Educational Seminars

Application Deadline	January 4, 2010
Interviews	February, 2010
Award Notification	Late April, 2010
Pre-Departure Orientation Program in Washington, DC	July 6, 2010*
Pre-Program Orientation in New Delhi	July 8-9, 2010*
Program in India	July 12 – August 13, 2010*
Virtual Program Debrief	August 2010

***FINAL DATES HAVE NOT BEEN CONFIRMED. HOWEVER, THE TENTATIVE DATES LISTED SHOULD PROVIDE YOU WITH SIGNIFICANT GUIDANCE. PLEASE NOTE: WE WILL NOTIFY ALL ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS ONCE PROGRAM DATES HAVE BEEN FIRMLY ESTABLISHED**

THE EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR:
THE INDIA SUMMER TEACHER PROGRAM APPLICATION

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN BLUE OR BLACK INK. PLEASE SEND THE ORIGINAL AND 2 COMPLETED COPIES OF THE APPLICATION

Biographical Information

1) Title _____

Last Name _____

First Name _____

Sex Female Male

Country of Citizenship: _____

Passport Number: _____

Please note that applicants must have a passport that is valid for at least six months after the end of the India program in order to be considered for selection.

Home Address:

Street address and number

City, State, Zip Code

Emergency Contact Information: Name, address, email, and phone number of an individual to be contacted in case of an emergency

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Relationship: _____

Home Phone: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Please Attach a Recent Photo
Here

2) International Travel: Indicate the locations, dates, and reasons for traveling or living in any country other than your own:

Country	Dates	Reason for Travel

3) Teaching, Education, and School Information

Current Position: _____

Number of Years in Current Position:

School Address:

School Phone: _____

Street address and number

School Fax: _____

City, State/Province, Zip Code

School Website: _____

School Principal:

School Principal Job Title:

Number of Teaching Staff: _____

Type of School: Public Charter
 Private Magnate
 Religious

Number of Students in School: _____

School Location: Urban
 Suburban

Population of City where School is located:

School Description: Include academic levels, demographics of student body, community size, teaching methods, resources, and special features or programs.

Current Teaching Load

Subjects	Hours per Week	Number of Classes	Grade Levels Taught	Number of Students per class	Students' Ages

Additional School Activities

(e.g. extra-curricular activities, curriculum development, supervision, counseling)	Hours per Week	Grade Levels Taught	Number of Students per class	Students' Ages

4) Educational History: List all educational institutions you have attended after high school. Begin with most recent school attended.

Name of Institution / Location	Major Field of Study	Dates (Month and Year) Attended	Actual Name of Degree or Diploma	Date Received

5) Knowledge of Languages: List your native language first, then rate yourself Excellent, Good, Fair, or Poor in all languages in which you have some competence.

Language	Reading	Writing	Speaking	Listening

6) Academic Honors and Prizes: List the academic honors or prizes, which you have received.

7) Professional Societies / Organizations: List the professional societies or other organizations in which you are or have been a member, and indicate if you held elective office.

8) The Statement of Purpose is a **substantial component** of the application; it outlines the reasons that you are applying for the India Summer Teacher Seminar and will be carefully reviewed by the selection committee. On separate paper, please type a description of your interest in this program, your professional goals and objectives for participating in the Educational Seminar, and why learning about the Indian educational system is of importance/interest to you, your school, and/or teaching career. Please submit up to two double-spaced pages.

Certification:

I certify that the information provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct. I am aware that a false statement may be grounds for non-selection or termination of my exchange. I further certify that I have notified /I will notify American Councils of any misdemeanor (except minor traffic violations) or felony convictions or pending indictments. My signature confirms that I will abide by the “Terms of Agreement” if selected for program participation.

Signature of Applicant

Date

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**Application for Secondary School Teachers
from the United States**

Administrative Approval for Applicant

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of official authorized to approve participation in program: _____

Title: _____ Telephone: _____

Name and complete address of institution:

The above applicant is employed by our school or school system and will be given a leave of absence from early July – mid-August, 2010 in order to participate in the Educational Seminar: India Summer Teacher Program. I realize that all travel and program costs are paid for U.S. teachers participating in the program; however, the program does NOT include expenses for salaries or substitute teachers.

Signature of Administrator _____

Date _____

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Due Date: January 4, 2010

Immediate Supervisor Reference

This letter of reference must be written by someone who has supervised the applicant in his/her teaching position or a teacher with whom the applicant has worked with sometime during the past three years.

Name of Reference _____

Position/Title _____

Institution _____

Your statement will be given considerable importance by the selection committee which reviews this application, and should be as complete and detailed as possible. Your comments may be continued on additional sheets of paper. Please send the entire letter of reference under separate cover to:

Educational Seminars: 2010 India Summer Program
American Councils for International Education: ACTR/ACCELS
1776 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20036

	SUPERIOR	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE
Professional Qualifications				
Knowledge of the subject field				
Effectiveness with persons of diverse backgrounds				
Ability to work with colleagues, including those with divergent views				
Adherence to established administrative policies				
Personality Traits				
Adaptability				
Resourcefulness				
Self-reliance				
Sense of humor				

Letter of Reference -- cont'd

1. Please comment on what makes the applicant an outstanding teacher.

2. Please compare the applicant to other teachers you have known in terms of commitment to the teaching profession, knowledge of his/her subject, how he/she relates to other teachers, attitude toward students, and preparedness for teaching and living abroad for a period of two to three weeks.

3. Please comment on what you see the applicant doing five years from now. How might this program help the applicant advance in his or her profession?

NAME: _____ TITLE: _____ DATE: _____

**EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR:
2010 INDIA SUMMER TEACHER PROGRAM SURVEY FORM**

The following information is requested on a voluntary basis and will be not be used in the selection process. Your omission of such information will have no effect on your application for the Educational Seminar: India Summer Teacher Program. If submitted, this form will be detached from your application and will not be seen by the selection committee at any stage of consideration.

Ethnic/Race Category (please check one):

- White** (Not of Hispanic Origin)
- Black or African American** (Not of Hispanic Origin)
- Hispanic** (Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.)
- Asian/Pacific Islander** (Persons having origins in any of the original people of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands. This area includes, for example, China, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands and Samoa. The subcontinent includes India, Pakistan, Bhutan, Nepal, Bangladesh, Sikkim, and Sri Lanka.)
- American Indian/Alaskan Native** (Persons with origins in any of the original peoples of North America and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation/community recognition.)

Veteran Status:

- Yes, I served on active duty and was separated from the armed forces under honorable circumstances.

Dates served

Branch of Service

- No

Disability Status:

If you have a disability and would like special accommodation to participate in the India Summer Teacher program, please explain what special equipment or physical environment accommodations will be needed:

From what source(s) did you learn about Educational Seminar: India Summer Teacher Program? Please check all that apply.

Direct Mailing _____

U.S. Government-Sponsored Program Alumna/Alumnus (please specify) _____

Colleague _____

Internet/Listserv (please specify) _____

Other (please specify) _____

Have you previously applied for the Educational Seminar: India Summers Program? Y____ N____

If yes, when? _____

