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Dept. of State Scholarship Opportunity for High School Students

The US Dept. of State through the National Security Language Initiative for Youth (NSLI for Youth) is providing merit-based scholarships for eligible high school students to learn less commonly taught languages in summer, semester, and academic-year overseas immersion programs. NSLI for Youth encourages beginning, intermediate, and advanced language learners with a passion for learning languages, communicating across cultures, and living abroad to apply.

The NSLI for Youth offers programs in Arabic, Farsi, Hindi, Korean, Mandarin, Russian, and Turkish. The Russian programs, administered by American Councils for International Education, are available for summer, fall semester, spring semester, and academic year.

Scholarships cover: pre-program language preparation; pre-departure language and cultural orientation; in-country orientation and support; in-country language, culture, and current events classes with opportunities to apply acquired skills and knowledge; in-country field trips with local guides; in-country housing with a host family or at a boarding school; re-entry orientation.

For more information and application materials, go to:

<http://www.nsliforyouth.org/>.

DEADLINE: FEB. 2, 2009

CMES Fall 2008 Newsletter

The Center for Middle Eastern Studies Fall 2008 Newsletter is now available online. View the newsletter at: www.cmes.arizona.edu/events/newsletter.php

Summer 2009 Workshops, Institutes and Travel Seminars

CMES "Teach Ottoman Empire" trip to Turkey and the Balkans

Applications are now available for the CMES "Teach Ottoman Empire" trip to Turkey and the Balkans. For more information and application materials, go to: <http://www.cmes.arizona.edu/outreach/fulbright.php>.

National Endowment for the Humanities - "Daily Life in Ancient Times"

The National Endowment for the Humanities is offering a K-12 teachers' workshop on "Daily Life in Ancient Times: Archaeology of Israel and Jordan." It will be held at Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan (near the shore of Lake Michigan), July 1-24. For more information, go to:

<http://home.earthlink.net/~galonden/NEH2009>.

U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum programs

The U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington DC offers some amazing programs for teachers, both experienced ones and new ones.

If you are experienced in Holocaust education/have been teaching about the Holocaust for more than 5 years and knowledgeable about the subject, apply for the Museum Teacher Fellowship program, which is fully funded. The application will take you a lot of time, but the program is worth it! (I know because I was a fellow in 2000-2001.)

<http://www.ushmm.org/education/foreducators/prodev/teacherfellowship/>

If you have not taught about the Holocaust or have been teaching it for less than 5 years, the Belfer Conference is a good one. Scholarships are available.

<http://www.ushmm.org/education/foreducators/prodev/belfer>

Another Opportunity:

NCSS proposals to present at their annual conference

If you would like to give a presentation at the National Council for the Social Studies annual conference in Atlanta in Nov. 2009, go to: <http://atlanta2009.ncss.org/openconf.php>. Applications are due by early February - but you can do it any time.

The Outreach Bulletin is a monthly publication of the CMES Outreach Center for K-16 teachers. It highlights important upcoming events and news relating to the teaching of the Middle East. It also includes articles on various aspects of Middle Eastern history, culture, geography, and language useful to gaining a greater understanding of the region and its people.

To receive up-to-date information please join our Teach Middle East listserv by contacting Outreach Coordinator Dr. Lisa Adeli at adeli@email.arizona.edu.