



## Exchange Opportunities to the U.S.

### Study of the U.S. Institutes (SUSI) Secondary Educators

Application deadline: December 26, 2022

#### Program Description:

The Study of the U.S. Institutes (SUSI) for Secondary Educators are intensive post-graduate level academic programs whose purpose is to provide foreign secondary school educators and administrators the opportunity to deepen their understanding of U.S. society, culture, values, and institutions. The program goal is to strengthen curricula and to enhance the quality of teaching about the United States in secondary schools and other academic institutions abroad. The program will take place at various academic institutions throughout the United States over the course of five weeks beginning in June 2023.

Study of the U.S. Institutes for Secondary Educators will provide three multinational groups of experienced secondary school educators (including teachers, administrators, teacher trainers, curriculum developers, textbook writers, Ministry of Education officials, and others) with a deeper understanding of U.S. society, education, and culture – past and present. The Institutes focus on providing content and materials for participants to develop high school level curricula about the United States. Two of the Institutes are tailored for secondary school teachers, which focus on content and materials about the United States rather than teaching methods and pedagogy. The third Institute is tailored for experienced administrators including teacher trainers, curriculum developers, textbook writers, Ministry of Education officials, and others.

The program content will examine the history and evolution of U.S. institutions and values, broadly defined. The programs will also serve to illuminate contemporary political, social, and economic debates in American society. The four-week academic residencies will take place at U.S. university and college campuses and will consist of a balanced series of lectures, panels, seminar discussions, readings, workshops, site visits, meetings with practitioners in the field, and cultural activities. One-week study tours to a different region will complement the academic residencies and showcase the cultural, geographic, and ethnic diversity of the United States. A key cultural component of the program involves community service activities, which will provide participants with a first-hand experience of how volunteerism plays a vital role in U.S. civil society.

### **Program Model:**

The Institutes will be conducted as traditional in-person programs at U.S. host institutions. Should health, safety, and travel conditions continue to pose significant challenges, the programs will pivot to a modified virtual format. The virtual program will consist of a minimum of 36 hours of required programming and will be a combination of synchronous and asynchronous learning. The virtual programming will include lectures, small group discussions, videos, readings, panels, site visits, assignments, and individual and group activities. Participants are required to fully participate in the entire virtual program from their home country. Participants must complete the virtual program in order to continue the in-person program in the United States, if implemented, contingent upon health, safety, and travel conditions.

Technology Requirements: Should the program need to pivot to a virtual format, participants would need access to a computer and a stable internet connection.

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

1. Candidates should be mid-career, typically between the ages of 30-50, highly motivated and experienced secondary school teachers and administrators.
2. Ideal candidates are individuals who are seeking to introduce or enhance aspects of U.S. studies into their curricula or to offer specialized seminars/workshops for education professionals in U.S. studies or related fields.
3. Ideal candidates will have little or no prior experience in the United States.
4. Candidates must demonstrate English language fluency and provide sufficient proof of their English proficiency levels

### **How to Apply**

Application Link: <https://usembassycairo.submittable.com/submit/62e27875-8d20-46f2-8b6f-7b198408a0c4/2023-study-in-the-united-states-institutes-for-educators-susi>

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