



## EducationUSA Weekly Update

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## I. Scholarships and Fellowships

### Post-Doctoral Fellowship at Duke University

Duke University Center for International Studies seeks applicants for a residential postdoctoral fellowship for academic year 2007-2008. The Post-Doctoral Fellow will participate in The Sawyer Seminar on Portents and Dilemmas: Public Health and the Environment in China and India funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. The fellowship comes with a stipend of \$40,000 plus health/dental benefits, a small office and a modest research fund. The fellow will have some administrative duties.

Applicants from relevant disciplines are encouraged to apply. Ph.D.s who have not yet achieved tenure are eligible to apply (Duke faculty are not eligible for the fellowship). The Ph.D. must be in hand by the beginning of the fellowship year. For additional information and an application, contact Ralph Litzinger, co director, at [rlitz@duke.edu](mailto:rlitz@duke.edu). The application deadline is March 30, 2007.

Duke University provides equal employment without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation or preference, sex, or age.

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### Postdoctoral Fellowships in the Humanities Northwestern University

Beginning February 15, 2007, the Alice Kaplan Institute for the Humanities at Northwestern University will accept applications for two-year postdoctoral fellowships commencing September 1, 2007. Competitive applicants will be engaged in interdisciplinary scholarship in the Humanities (broadly defined). Northwestern University is committed to the diversity of its community. (AA/EOE.)

Fellows will be affiliated with the Institute and will also have an affiliation with a department. In each year fellows will teach three small- to medium-scale Humanities courses (one per quarter). A portion of these will be offered in the new Kaplan Freshman Humanities Scholars Program, which is organized around the rubric, <sup>3</sup>The Good Society,<sup>2</sup> with the remainder to be offered through the Humanities Institute or a home department. Fellows will also participate in the intellectual life of the Institute and conduct their own research.

Applicants must have received the Ph.D. degree in the Humanities after September 2003 and have completed all the requirements for the Ph.D. by September 2007. The annual salary will be \$42,000 plus benefits (including health coverage). Fellows will receive an annual research/travel allowance of \$2000 and a one-time computer budget of \$2000. The search will

close on April 2, 2007. Applicants are strongly encouraged however to apply by March 15 as initial offers may be made before the April closing date.

Applicants should send the following materials—in both paper and electronic form (doc or pdf format)—directly to the name and address below:

1. a cover letter,
2. full curriculum vitae,
3. a four-page description of their research project,
4. a two-page course proposal,
5. a writing sample (of not more than 25 pages consisting of either a dissertation chapter or published paper, and
6. graduate school transcripts.

Applicants should also arrange to have three letters of recommendation, at least one commenting on teaching qualifications, sent directly as paper copies.

S. Hollis Clayson, Director Alice Kaplan Institute for the Humanities Attn: Postdoctoral Fellowships 2010 Sheridan Road Northwestern University Evanston, IL 60208-2223 [hum@northwestern.edu](mailto:hum@northwestern.edu)

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**Mental health (GRANT)**

Applications from representatives of accredited institutions of higher education for up to \$25,000 in grants for campus-based innovative mental-health and/or suicide-prevention programs.

Deadline: March 15, 2007

Contact: Shari Strauss, Jed Foundation

Phone: (212) 647-7544,

E-mail: [sstrauss@jedfoundation.org](mailto:sstrauss@jedfoundation.org)

Web: [www.ulifeline.org](http://www.ulifeline.org)

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**Ethics (FELLOWSHIP)**

Applications for Harvard University Faculty Fellowships in Ethics for 2008-9.

Deadline: November 15, 2007

Contact: Edmond J. Safra Foundation Center for Ethics, Harvard University, 79 John F. Kennedy Street, Cambridge, Mass. 02138

Phone: (617) 495-1336

Fax: (617) 496-6104,

E-mail: [ethics@harvard.edu](mailto:ethics@harvard.edu)

Web: [www.ethics.harvard.edu](http://www.ethics.harvard.edu)

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The Denver Public Library announces the 2007 Fellowship in Environmental History in the amount of \$3,000, provided through the generosity of Joy R. Hilliard.

Date: 2007-03-30

Description: Fellowship Eligibility: Open to advanced graduate students, holders of a Ph.D. or equivalent, and independent scholars. Requirements: •Academic training and experience in conservation/environmental subjects. •Three week residency at the Denver Public Library must be completed between May ...

Contact: [cjensen@denverlibrary.org](mailto:cjensen@denverlibrary.org)

URL: [history.denverlibrary.org/about/fellowship.html](http://history.denverlibrary.org/about/fellowship.html)

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**Postdoctoral fellowship in the history of technology**

Date: 2007-04-01

Description: The Brooke Hindle Postdoctoral Fellowship in the History of Technology honors the contribution of Brooke Hindle to the work of the Society for the History of Technology and is made possible thanks to the generosity of his family. The fellowship is for \$10,000 and may be used, as further detailed be ...

Contact: [zschrag@gmu.edu](mailto:zschrag@gmu.edu)

URL: [www.historyoftechnology.org/awards/hindle.html](http://www.historyoftechnology.org/awards/hindle.html)

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**Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library Research Travel Grant**

Date: 2007-03-15

Description: The Gerald R. Ford Foundation awards grants of up to

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\$2,000 each in support of research in the archival collections of the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library, part of the system of presidential libraries administered by the National Archives and Records Administration. The collections are especially ...

Contact: [helmi.raaska@nara.gov](mailto:helmi.raaska@nara.gov)

URL: [www.fordlibrarymuseum.gov/library/foundationgrants.asp](http://www.fordlibrarymuseum.gov/library/foundationgrants.asp)

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**Graduate assistantships available MSBA in Global Social and Sustainable Enterprise, College of Business, Colorado State University**

We have recently launched a new business graduate degree program at CSU, an MSBA in Global Social and Sustainable Enterprise. The idea is to teach students to build and lead enterprises that address issues of poverty and environmental degradation. We are looking for students that have several years of field experience in development work or business. The curriculum focuses on core business classes, and deals with both for-profit and civil society organizations.

Please take a look at our website: [www.csugsse.org](http://www.csugsse.org) I would like to take you up on your offer in an earlier email (below) and would appreciate it if you would share this with others that might have students interested in this program. We do have a number of graduate assistance fellowships, which would cover a significant part of the tuition, as well as pay a monthly stipend.

Best regards,

Paul

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Director Global Social and Sustainable Enterprise Program

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**II. News you can use**

**Congress Passes 2007 Funding Bill Including Increase for International Educational Exchange Programs**

On February 14, 2007 the Senate approved a continuing resolution by a vote of 85-15 that will fund the government through the end of the year. The measure was previously passed in the House on January 31, 2007 by a vote of 286-140. Included in this FY 2007 funding bill is \$445.275 million for the State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), representing a \$19 million increase over 2006 levels, but \$29 million below what had been requested by the Bush Administration for the 2007 fiscal year.

Funding for most other federal programs, including Peace Corps, Title VI and Fulbright-Hays programs, will remain at 2006 levels. While FY2007 funding for individual appropriation accounts has been set, decisions regarding specific program allocation levels are not likely to emerge for some time.

This continuing resolution, signed into law by the President on February 15, 2007, completes the FY 2007 budget process.

Congress will now turn its attention to the Administration's FY 2008 budget request, proposed by President Bush on February 5, 2007.

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**The College Admissions Game**

Here's a thought-provoking series of articles on the problems with admissions at top U.S. colleges. Read it and think, share with students, use it for discussions.

<http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=7537888>

If you can't open it this way, go to [www.npr.org](http://www.npr.org) and look for "The College Admissions Game."

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**Time Management Tips- Don't let e-mail get the best of you!**

(Reuters) -- Following are the 12 steps of a plan devised by executive coach Marsha Egan in Pennsylvania to teach people how to manage e-mail:

1. Admit that e-mail is managing you. Let go of your need to check e-mail every ten minutes.
2. Commit to keeping your inbox empty.
3. Create files where you can put inbox material that needs to be acted on.

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4. Make broad headings for your filing system so that you have to spend less time looking for filed material.
5. Deal immediately with any e-mail that can be handled in two minutes or less but create a file for mails that will take longer.
6. Set a target date to empty your in box. Don't spend more than an hour at a time doing it.
7. Turn off automatic send/receive.
8. Establish regular times to review your e-mail.
9. Involve others in conquering your addiction.
10. Reduce the amount of e-mail you receive.
11. Save time by using only one subject per e-mail; delete extra comments from forwarded e-mail, and make the subject line detailed.
12. Celebrate taking a new approach to e-mail.