

the Obed National Wild and Scenic River System and the Caney Fork River (upstream of the State of Tennessee's Bridgestone-Firestone Conservation Area), the magnitude of future water supply needs (determining realistic growth scenarios), local acceptability of some raw water sources (Watts Bar Lake), acceptability of the regional approach among existing water suppliers, and long-term operational costs. A DEIS should be available by December 2007.

8. *Public Meeting:* A public meeting is scheduled to assist in identifying (scope for) potential issues to be evaluated in the DEIS as follows:

*Date:* September 19, 2006.

*Time:* 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. (Central Standard Time).

*Place:* Palace Theater, 72 S. Main Street, Crossville, TN 38555.

**Steven J. Roemhildt,**

*Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers, District Engineer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 25, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Rachel Potter, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its

statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: August 21, 2006.

**Angela C. Arrington,**

*IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.*

### Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Application for the Teacher Incentive Fund.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs; Not-for-profit institutions.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 40.

*Burden Hours:* 3,200.

*Abstract:* This application will be used to award grants to local education agencies, state education agencies, or partnerships with a local or state education agency for the purpose of creating a performance-based compensation system for teachers and principals.

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3141. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202-4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-245-6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal

Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Office of Postsecondary Education; Overview Information; Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2007

*Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number:* 84.170A.

**DATES:** *Applications Available:* August 25, 2006.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* October 6, 2006.

*Deadline for Transmittal of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA):* January 31, 2007.

*Eligible Applicants:* Individuals who at the time of application: (1) Have not completed their first full year of study for a doctoral degree or a master's degree in those fields in which the master's degree is the terminal highest degree awarded in the selected field of study, or will be entering a doctoral degree program or a master's degree program in those fields in which the master's degree is the terminal highest degree awarded in the selected field of study in academic year 2007-2008; (2) are eligible to receive grant, loan, or work assistance pursuant to section 484 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. 1091, as amended (HEA); and (3) intend to pursue a doctoral or master's degree in fields selected by the Jacob K. Javits (JKJ) Fellowship Board at accredited U.S. institutions of higher education. An individual must be a citizen or national of the United States, a permanent resident of the United States, in the United States for other than a temporary purpose and intending to become a permanent resident, or a citizen of any one of the Freely Associated States.

*Estimated Available Funds:* The Administration has requested \$1,961,992 for this program for FY 2007. The actual level of funding, if any, depends on final congressional action. However, we are inviting applications to allow enough time to complete the grant process if Congress appropriates funds for this program.

*Estimated Average Size of Awards:* \$42,652.

*Estimated Number of Awards:* 46.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

*Project Period:* Up to 48 months.

## Full Text of Announcement

### I. Funding Opportunity Description

**Purpose of Program:** The purpose of the JKJ Fellowship Program is to award fellowships to eligible students of superior ability, selected on the basis of demonstrated achievement, financial need, and exceptional promise, to undertake graduate study in selected fields in the arts, humanities, and social sciences leading to a doctoral degree or to a master's degree in those fields in which the master's degree is the terminal highest degree awarded in the selected field of study at accredited institutions of higher education. The selected fields in the arts are: Creative writing, music performance, music theory, music composition, music literature, studio arts (including photography), television, film, cinematography, theater arts, playwriting, screenwriting, acting, and dance. The selected fields in the humanities are: American history, art history (including architectural history), archeology, area studies, classics, comparative literature, English language and literature, folklore, folk life, foreign languages and literature, foreign languages that are less commonly taught as follows: Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Russian, Indic family (including Hindi, Urdu, Sinhala, Bengali, Nepali, Punjabi, Marathi, Gujarati, Oriya, Assamese); Iranian family (including Dari, Farsi, Tajiki, Kurdish, Pashto, Balochi); and Turkic family (including Turkish, Azerbaijani/Azeri, Kazakh, Kyrgyz, Turkmen, Uzbek, Uyghur), linguistics, non-American history, philosophy, religion (excluding study of religious vocation), speech, rhetoric, and debate. The selected fields in the social sciences are: Anthropology, communications and media, criminology, economics, ethnic and cultural studies, geography, political science, psychology (excluding clinical psychology), public policy and public administration, and sociology (excluding the master's and doctoral degrees in social work).

**Priorities:** For FY 2007 these priorities are invitational priorities. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1) we do not give an application that meets these invitational priorities a competitive or absolute preference over other applications.

These priorities are:

#### Invitational Priority 1

Within the eligible fields under Humanities, the Secretary is particularly interested in receiving applications from students studying foreign languages that are less commonly taught as follows: Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Korean,

Russian, Indic family (including Hindi, Urdu, Sinhala, Bengali, Nepali, Punjabi, Marathi, Gujarati, Oriya, Assamese); Iranian family (including Dari, Farsi, Tajiki, Kurdish, Pashto, Balochi); and Turkic family (including Turkish, Azerbaijani/Azeri, Kazakh, Kyrgyz, Turkmen, Uzbek, Uyghur).

#### Invitational Priority 2

Within the eligible fields under Humanities, the Secretary is particularly interested in receiving applications from students studying non-American history, especially the modern history of the Middle East, Asia, India, and Latin America.

#### Invitational Priority 3

Within the eligible fields under Social Sciences, the Secretary is particularly interested in receiving applications from students studying criminology especially as it relates to issues surrounding homeland security.

**Program Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 1134–1134d.

**Applicable Regulations:** (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75 (except as provided in 34 CFR 650.3(b)), 77, 82, 84, 85, 86, 97, 98 and 99. (b) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR part 650.

### II. Award Information

**Type of Award:** Discretionary grant.

**Estimated Available Funds:** The Administration has requested \$1,961,992 for this program for FY 2007. The actual level of funding, if any, depends on final congressional action. However, we are inviting applications to allow enough time to complete the grant process if Congress appropriates funds for this program.

**Estimated Average Size of Awards:** \$42,652.

**Estimated Number of Awards:** 46.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Project Period:** Up to 48 months.

### III. Eligibility Information

1. **Eligible Applicants:** Individuals who at the time of application: (1) Have not completed their first full year of study for a doctoral degree or a master's degree in those fields in which the master's degree is the terminal highest degree awarded in the selected field of study, or will be entering a doctoral degree program or a master's degree program in those fields in which the master's degree is the terminal highest degree awarded in the selected field of study in academic year 2007–2008; (2) are eligible to receive grant, loan, or

work assistance pursuant to section 484 of the HEA; and (3) intend to pursue a doctoral or master's degree in fields selected by the JKJ Fellowship Board at accredited U.S. institutions of higher education. An individual must be a citizen or national of the United States, a permanent resident of the United States, in the United States for other than a temporary purpose and intending to become a permanent resident, or a citizen of any one of the Freely Associated States.

2. **Cost Sharing or Matching:** This program does not involve cost sharing or matching.

### IV. Application and Submission Information

1. **Web Address to Access Application Package:** Applications can only be accessed electronically on the JKJ Fellowship Program Web site: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/jacobjvits/index.html>.

If you are unable to obtain an electronic copy of the application package, you may request a paper copy by contacting the program contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** in section VII. of this notice.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain the application package in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) by contacting the program contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** in section VII. of this notice.

**Note:** The FAFSA may be obtained from the institution of higher education's financial aid office or accessed at: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>.

2. **Content and Form of Application Submission:** Requirements concerning the content of an application, together with the forms you must submit, are in the application package for this program.

3. **Submission Dates and Times:** Applications Available: August 25, 2006.

**Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:** October 6, 2006.

**Deadline for Transmittal of the FAFSA:** January 31, 2007.

Applications for grants under this program must be submitted by mail or hand delivery. For information (including dates and times) about how to submit your application by mail or hand delivery, please refer to section IV. 6. **Other Submission Requirements** in this notice.

We do not consider an application that does not comply with the deadline requirements.

4. *Intergovernmental Review:* This program is not subject to Executive Order 12372 and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79.

5. *Funding Restrictions:* We reference regulations outlining funding restrictions in the Applicable Regulations section of this notice.

6. *Other Submission Requirements:* Applications for grants under this program must be submitted in paper format by mail or hand delivery.

a. *Submission of Applications by Mail.*

If you submit your application by mail (through the U.S. Postal Service or a commercial carrier), you must mail the original and two copies of your application, on or before the application deadline date, to the Department at the applicable following address:

*By mail through the U.S. Postal Service:*

U.S. Department of Education,  
Application Control Center,  
Attention: (CFDA Number 84.170A),  
400 Maryland Avenue, SW.,  
Washington, DC 20202-260, or

*By mail through a commercial carrier:*

U.S. Department of Education,  
Application Control Center—Stop  
4260, Attention: (CFDA Number  
84.170A), 7100 Old Landover Road,  
Landover, MD 20785-1506.

Regardless of which address you use, you must show proof of mailing consisting of one of the following:

- (1) A legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark,
- (2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service,
- (3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier, or
- (4) Any other proof of mailing acceptable to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education.

If you mail your application through the U.S. Postal Service, we do not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:

- (1) A private metered postmark, or
- (2) A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service.

If your application is postmarked after the application deadline date, we will not consider your application.

**Note:** The U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, you should check with your local post office.

b. *Submission of Applications by Hand Delivery.*

If you submit your application by hand delivery, you (or a courier service) must deliver the original and two copies of your application, by hand, on or before the application deadline date, to the Department at the following address:

U.S. Department of Education,  
Application Control Center, Attention:  
(CFDA Number 84.170A), 550 12th  
Street, SW., Room 7041, Potomac Center  
Plaza, Washington, DC 20202-4260.

The Application Control Center accepts hand deliveries daily between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, except Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays.

*Note for Mail or Hand Delivery of Paper Applications:* If you mail or hand deliver your application to the Department:

(1) You must indicate on the envelope and—if not provided by the Department—in Item 4 of the ED 424 the CFDA number—and suffix letter, if any—of the competition under which you are submitting your application.

(2) The Application Control Center will mail a grant application receipt acknowledgment to you. If you do not receive the grant application receipt acknowledgment within 15 business days from the application deadline date, you should call the U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center at (202) 245-6288.

## V. Application Review Information

1. *Selection Criteria:* The selection criteria for this program have been established by the JKV Program Fellowship Board, pursuant to section 702(a)(2) of the HEA and 34 CFR 650.20(a). The selection criteria for applications in the humanities and social sciences are—(a) Statement of purpose (150 points); (b) Letters of recommendation (100 points); (c) Academic record (100 points); and (d) Scholarly awards/honors (50 points). The selection criteria for applications in the arts are—(a) Statement of purpose (100 points); (b) Letters of recommendation (100 points); (c) Academic record (50 points); (d) Scholarly awards/honors (50 points); and (e) Supporting arts materials (100 points).

2. *Review and Selection Process:* The review and selection process for the JKV Fellowship Program consists of a two-part process. Eligible applications are read and rated by a distinguished panel of scholars and academics in the arts, humanities, and social sciences on the basis of demonstrated scholarly achievements and exceptional promise. The second part of the evaluation is a determination of financial need.

## VI. Award Administration Information

1. *Award Notices:* Successful applicants will be notified by telephone and a Grant Award Notification (GAN) will be sent directly to the institution the applicant will be attending.

Unsuccessful applicants will be notified.

2. *Administrative and National Policy Requirements:* We identify administrative and national policy requirements in the application package and reference these and other requirements in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice.

We reference the regulations outlining the terms and conditions of an award in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice and include these and other specific conditions in the GAN.

3. *Reporting:* On an annual basis, fellows are required to submit their Student Aid Report to the Javits Program Coordinator at their institution as specified by the Secretary in 34 CFR 650.37. In addition, Javits fellows are required to submit an annual performance report.

4. *Performance Measures:* The effectiveness of the JKV Fellowship Program will be measured by graduate completion rates, time to degree completion rates, and the costs per Ph.D. of talented graduate students, with demonstrated financial need, who are pursuing the highest degree available in their designated fields of study. Institutions of higher education in which the fellows are enrolled are required to submit an annual report documenting the fellows' satisfactory academic progress and the determined financial need. Javits fellows are also required to submit an annual performance report to assist program staff in tracking time-to-degree completion rates, graduation rates, as well as the employment status of individual fellows. The Department will use the reports to assess the program's success in assisting fellows in completing their course of study and receiving their degree.

## VII. Agency Contacts

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Carmen Gordon, Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Program, U.S. Department of Education, Teacher and Student Development Service, 1990 K St., NW., suite 6000, Washington, DC 20006-8524. Telephone: (202) 502-7542 or by e-mail: [ope\\_javits\\_program@ed.gov](mailto:ope_javits_program@ed.gov). If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the program contact person listed in this section.

## VIII. Other Information

### *Electronic Access to This Document:*

You may view this document, as well as all other documents of this Department published in the **Federal Register**, in text or Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) on the Internet at the following site: <http://www.ed.gov/news/fedregister>.

To use PDF you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at this site. If you have questions about using PDF, call the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO), toll free, at 1-888-293-6498; or in the Washington, DC, area at (202) 512-1530.

**Note:** The official version of this document is the document published in the **Federal Register**. Free Internet access to the official edition of the **Federal Register** and the Code of Federal Regulations is available on GPO Access at: <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/nara/index.html>.

Dated: August 22, 2006.

**James F. Manning,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### **National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (National Advisory Committee); Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity, Department of Education.

#### **What Is the Purpose of This Notice?**

The purpose of this notice is to announce the public meeting of the National Advisory Committee and invite third-party oral presentations before the Committee. This notice also presents the proposed agenda and informs the public of its opportunity to attend this meeting. The notice of this meeting is required under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

#### **When and Where Will the Meeting Take Place?**

We will hold the public meeting on Monday, December 4, 2006, from 9 a.m. until approximately 5:30 p.m.; on Tuesday, December 5, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. until approximately 5:30 p.m., and on Wednesday, December 6, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. until approximately 3:30 p.m. in the Mt. Vernon Rooms A and B at The Madison, 1177 Fifteenth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005. You may call the hotel at (202) 862-1600 to inquire about rooms.

### **What Assistance Will Be Provided to Individuals With Disabilities?**

The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice at least two weeks before the scheduled meeting date. Although we will attempt to meet a request received after that date, we may not be able to make available the requested auxiliary aid or service because of insufficient time to arrange it.

### **Who Is the Contact Person for the Meeting?**

Please contact Ms. Francesca Paris-Albertson, Executive Director of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity, if you have questions about the meeting. You may contact her at the U.S. Department of Education, Room 7110, 1990 K St., NW., Washington, DC 20006, telephone: (202) 219-7009, fax: (202) 219-7008, e-mail: [Francesca.Paris-Albertson@ed.gov](mailto:Francesca.Paris-Albertson@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

### **What Is the Authority for the National Advisory Committee?**

The National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity is established under Section 114 of the Higher Education Act (HEA) as amended, 20 U.S.C. 1011c.

### **What Are the Functions of the National Advisory Committee?**

The Committee advises the Secretary of Education about:

- The establishment and enforcement of the Criteria for Recognition of accrediting agencies or associations under subpart 2 of part H of Title IV, HEA.
- The recognition of specific accrediting agencies or associations.
- The preparation and publication of the list of nationally recognized accrediting agencies and associations.
- The eligibility and certification process for institutions of higher education under Title IV, HEA.
- The development of standards and criteria for specific categories of vocational training institutions and institutions of higher education for which there are no recognized accrediting agencies, associations, or State agencies in order to establish the interim eligibility of those institutions

to participate in Federally funded programs.

- The relationship between: (1) Accreditation of institutions of higher education and the certification and eligibility of such institutions, and (2) State licensing responsibilities with respect to such institutions.

- Any other advisory functions relating to accreditation and institutional eligibility that the Secretary may prescribe.

### **What Items Will Be on the Agenda for Discussion at the Meeting?**

Agenda topics will include the review of agencies that have submitted petitions for renewal of recognition and/or an expansion of an agency's scope of recognition, and the review of agencies that have submitted an interim report.

### **What Agencies Will the National Advisory Committee Review at the Meeting?**

The following agencies will be reviewed during the December 4-6, 2006 meeting of the National Advisory Committee:

### **Nationally Recognized Accrediting Agencies**

*Petition for Renewal of Recognition That Includes a Contraction of the Scope of Recognition*

1. American Occupational Therapy Association, Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education. (Current scope of recognition: The accreditation of entry-level professional occupational therapy educational programs offering the Baccalaureate Degree, Post-baccalaureate Certificate, Professional Master's Degree, Combined Baccalaureate/Master's degree, and Doctoral Degree for the accreditation of occupational therapy assistant programs offering the Associate Degree or a Certificate; and for its accreditation of these programs offered via distance education.) (Requested scope of recognition: The accreditation of occupational therapy educational programs offering the professional master's degree, combined baccalaureate/master's degree, and occupational therapy doctorate (OTD) degree; the accreditation of occupational therapy assistant programs offering the associate degree or a certificate; and the accreditation of these programs offered via distance education.)

*Petitions for Renewal of Recognition That Include an Expansion of the Scope of Recognition*

1. The Association for Biblical Higher Education, Commission on Accreditation. (Current scope of