# Call for Applications: The 2019 Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program

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U.S. Embassy Ulaanbaatar is pleased to announce the 2019 Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement (TEA) program. TEA provides international teachers with a unique opportunity to develop greater expertise in their subject areas, enhance their teaching skills, and increase their knowledge about the United States. The TEA Program is a six-week non-degree, non-credit customized academic program including seminars on new teaching methodologies, curriculum development, lesson planning, and instructional technology. Participants also take part in a practicum at a U.S. secondary school near their host university where they work closely with U.S. teachers and teach, co-teach, and present information about their home countries to U.S. students. Cultural enrichment, mentoring, and support are provided throughout the program. The international participants will travel to the U.S. for one of two six-week professional development programs in either spring or fall of 2019. After returning home, teachers who have successfully completed the program will be eligible to compete for small grant awards for training for other teachers, collaborative projects between participating American schools and their home schools, and other activities that build on the exchange experience.The application deadline is Monday, February 26, 2018 8:30 a.m. ULAT.

Be a Mongolian citizen, currently living in Mongolia;

- Be a current secondary-level, full-time teacher of English, English as a Foreign Language (EFL), math, science, or social studies, including special education teacher in these subjects, at an institution serving a primarily local (not expatriate) population*;

- Have at least a bachelor’s degree or the equivalent;

- Have completed at least five years of full-time teaching by the start of the program;

- Demonstrate a commitment to continue teaching after completion of the program;

- Have sufficient oral and written English language skills to take part in specialized seminars and give presentations at U.S. schools. English language test scores are not mandatory at the time of application. However, if selected the candidates will be requested to take the TOEFL IBT. The minimum target score is TOEFL IBT 45 or TOEFL ITP/PBT 450. Please note that teachers who have lower English skills (TOEFL IBT 38-44 or TOEFL ITP/PBT 425-449), but are otherwise strongly qualified, may be provided additional English language prior to the start of the program;

- Have submitted a complete application online.

*Secondary-level teachers include both middle and high school teachers working with students between approximately 12 and 18 years of age. Teachers responsible for teaching additional grade levels must teach middle or high school students more than 50% of their work time in order to be eligible for the program. Please note that this is an upper level university or graduate level academic program for practicing teachers. Educational administrators (such as representatives or officials of the Ministry of Education) and school administrators who do not teach at least fifty percent of their time, full-time teacher trainers, university faculty, private English Language tutors, and teachers from schools primarily serving expatriates are not eligible.

Applicants must reside in the country of citizenship at the time of application and of program participation. Preference will be given to candidates with limited prior experience in the U.S. Mongolians holding U.S. green cards are not eligible to apply.

Teachers working in under-resourced, minority, or indigenous communities or who are current English Access program teachers will be given priority. Selection criteria will also include consideration of gender, geographic, and other diversity factors.

All U.S. Government scholarship programs adhere to equal opportunity principle. Any individual who fulfills the program criteria are welcome to apply regardless of their gender, sexual orientation, disability, race, age and/or political or religious beliefs. TEA supports inclusion and strongly encourages teachers with disabilities to apply.

The TEA Program online application is available here. Please read all instructions and information carefully before completing the application, and review all fields before making any submission online. All forms in this application are to be completed in English. Please read the Online Application Guide carefully before beginning the application.

Please upload an electronic copy a reference form completed by your supervisor, and your passport to the online system before you submit your application. Please also upload the supplementary documents in .docx, .jpeg, .gif, .png, or .pdf formats. Each document should not exceed 4MB in size.

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Please direct all inquiries to the Embassy’s Facebook page or to exchange@usembassy.mn.

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