

Short-term Overseas Opportunities for Expert Speakers on U.S. Study Abroad!

The USA Study Abroad branch of the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) is pleased to partner with AIEA to offer members opportunities to speak with international education audiences overseas. ECA's Study Abroad Engagement Grants support U.S. embassies and Fulbright Commissions in their efforts to coordinate with local partners in building capacity for diverse U.S. students to study or intern in destinations around the world. Some of the participating U.S. embassies and Fulbright Commissions would like to host expert speakers in their countries for short-term workshops, consultations, or related engagements. Visiting expert speakers must be U.S. citizens.

Please see below for more information on specific opportunities.

For more information or to express interest, please contact StudyAbroad@state.gov

RABAT, MOROCCO: OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 2019

Location: Rabat, Morocco

Dates: Oct. 28 - Nov. 1 (3 full days, 2 travel days)

Estimated travel grant amount (to cover flights, meals, lodging, honorarium, and related expenses): \$4,500 PER PERSON

Language request: French "appreciated" but not required

Program description:

U.S. Embassy Rabat is looking for two experts to speak about University Partnerships, as part of a two-day, intensive conference with the presidents of public and private Moroccan universities, as well as government officials to discuss best practices to build linkages to facilitate U.S.-Moroccan exchanges.

- Speaker 1: Presenting and discussing models for informal linkages between U.S. and Moroccan universities to increase exchange opportunities. Part of the focus of the conference will be on strengthening informal ties between universities as a way of launching initial programs; these could focus in particular on lower-cost strategies, such as initiating two-way exchanges with U.S. community colleges.
- 2) Speaker 2: Focus on U.S. curriculum, particularly how it relates to the French curriculum, as the Moroccan higher education system is shifting towards a four-year bachelor more along the lines of the U.S. undergraduate degree. Any expertise on transitioning to a credit-based system like the United States would be helpful.

To express interest in serving as the U.S. Study Abroad visiting expert speaker, please email the following information to StudyAbroad@state.gov by midnight, September 8.

- Your name, title, institution, number of years of experience in the field, and information related to your any language proficiency;
- Confirmation of your U.S. citizenship (documentation not required to express interest);
- A brief explanation (no more than 350 words) of why you are a strong candidate for this speaking opportunity, including your skills, knowledge, professional experience, regional familiarity, or other qualifications.

The successful candidate will be put in touch directly with the primary contact overseas (at the U.S. embassy or consulate, bilateral Fulbright Commission, or a partner grantee) to discuss program details and travel grant logistics.



Thank you!