

English Language Fellow Program



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The English Language Fellow Program

fosters mutual understanding between the people of the United States and those of other countries by sending talented, highly qualified U.S. educators in the field of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) on ten-month fellowships to overseas academic institutions in all regions of the world. The Program promotes English language learning and enhances English teaching capacity abroad. Through U.S. embassy projects, Fellows share their expertise, hone their skills, gain international experience, and learn other cultures. Upon returning to the United States, they share their experiences and acquired knowledge with their communities and professional colleagues.

Quick facts about the program

- ★ The EL Fellow Program has placed over 900 Fellows in 80 countries since 2001.
- ★ Assignments are for a ten-month period, typically from September through June, following a mandatory pre-departure briefing in Washington, DC.
- ★ Projects are carried out with host-country universities, ministries of education, teacher training institutions, NGOs, binational centers, and other language teaching institutions.
- ★ Fellows serve as full-time ESL/EFL instructors and may be engaged in some teacher training, ESP instruction, curriculum/materials development, test design, assessment, evaluation, programming, summer camps, and outreach projects.
- ★ Senior Fellows serve primarily as teacher trainers and may be engaged in supervision, advising, ESP instruction, curriculum/materials development, test design, assessment, evaluation, programming, research, and outreach projects.
- ★ In the academic year 2010-2011, approximately 110 Fellows will participate in projects abroad.

Fellow benefits at a glance

For the academic year 2010-2011, Fellows receive:

- ★ Stipend: Fellows - \$25,000; Senior Fellows - \$35,000
- ★ Living allowance covering the cost of reasonable, safe, and comfortable housing (comparable to the standard of living in the country of assignment), food, utilities, and local transportation.
- ★ International roundtrip transportation from the Fellow's U.S. residence to the host country.
- ★ Supplemental health benefit program while abroad (not to replace any health insurance held by the Fellow).
- ★ Miscellaneous allowances (shipping, educational materials, program activities, and pre-departure expenses).

Eligibility requirements

- ★ U.S. citizenship
- ★ Master's degree with a focus on TESL/TEFL (conferred by the end of 2010 Spring semester)
- ★ Fellows must have minimum two years of recent professional TESL/TEFL experience; both teacher training and curriculum/materials development experience are helpful.
- ★ Senior Fellows must have minimum four years of teacher training experience; overseas experience in TEFL is helpful.

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