

of the Chief Information Officer 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 11, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Wai-Sinn Chan, Acting Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Wai-Sinn_L._Chan@omb.eop.gov.

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 Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, 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 4, 2000.

John Tressler, Leader,

Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Officer of Student Financial Assistance Programs

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Student Aid Report (SAR).

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 10,721,049; Burden Hours: 4,386,515.

Abstract: The Student Aid Report (SAR) is used to notify all applicants of

their eligibility to receive Federal student aid for postsecondary education. The form is submitted by the applicant to the institution of their choice.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, or should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_IMG_Issues@ed.gov or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request. Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joseph Schubart at (202) 708-9266 or via his internet address Joe-Schubart@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

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Office of Postsecondary Education, Business and International Education Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2001

Purpose of Program: The Business and International Education Program provides grants to institutions of higher education to enhance international business education programs and to expand the capacity of the business community to engage in international economic activities.

Eligible Applicants: Institutions of higher education that enter into agreements with trade associations, business enterprises or trade organizations that are engaged in international economic activity.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: November 3, 2000.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: January 2, 2001.

Applications Available: September 1, 2000.

Available Funds: \$2,000,000. The estimated amount of funds available for new awards under this competition is based on the Administration's request for this program for FY 2001. The actual level of funding, if any, is contingent on final congressional action.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$50,000-\$95,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$76,938 per year.

Estimated Number of Awards: 26.

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

Project Period: Up to 24 months.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 82, 85, 86, 97, 98, and 99; and (b) the regulations for this program in 34 CFR parts 655 and 661.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Matching requirement: Under Title VI, Part B, section 613(d) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, Business and International Education Program grantees must provide no less than 50 percent of the total cost of projects in each fiscal year. Example: The institution's total costs of the proposed project will be \$140,000 per year. The institution may request a grant in the amount of \$70,000 or less. The institution must provide the remaining \$70,000 in cash or in-kind contributions.

Priorities

Invitational Priority: The Secretary is particularly interested in applications that meet the following invitational priority. However, under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1) an application that meets this invitational priority does not receive competitive preference over other applications.

Applications from institutions of higher education that propose educational programs abroad, including pre-departure and post-return programs, for undergraduate and graduate students to study or intern, or both, in a foreign country for a semester or more. These programs should be integrated into the curriculum of the home institution or institutions.

For Applications or Information Contact: Tanyelle Richardson, Business and International Education Program, U.S. Department of Education, International Education and Graduate Programs Service, 1990 K Street, NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20006-8521. Telephone: 202-502-7626. The e-mail address for Ms. Richardson is: tanyelle_richardson@ed.gov

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person listed in the preceding paragraph. However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternate format the standard forms included in the application package.

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Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1130a-1130b.

Dated: August 4, 2000.

A. Lee Fritschler,

Assistant Secretary Office of Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA No.: 84.016A]

Office of Postsecondary Education, Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2001

Purpose of Program: The Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language Program provides grants to strengthen and improve undergraduate instruction in international studies and foreign languages in the United States.

Eligible Applicants: Institutions of higher education; combinations of institutions of higher education; partnerships between nonprofit educational organizations and institutions of higher education; and public and private non-profit agencies and organizations, including professional and scholarly associations.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: November 3, 2000.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: January 2, 2001.

Applications Available: September 1, 2000.

Available Funds: \$2,013,000. The estimated amount of funds available for new awards under this competition is based on the Administration's request for this program for FY 2001. The actual level of funding, if any, is contingent on final congressional action.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$40,000-\$130,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$74,563 per year.

Estimated Number of Awards: 27.

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

Project Period: Up to 24 months for grants to single institutions of higher education, and up to 36 months for grants to combinations of institutions of higher education and partnerships.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 82, 85, and 86, 97, 98, 99; and (b) the regulations in 34 CFR parts 655 and 658.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Matching requirement: Under Title VI, Part A, section 604(a)(3) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language grantees must provide matching funds in either of the following ways: (a) cash contributions from the private sector equal to one-third of the total project costs; or (b) a combination of institutional and non-institutional cash or in-kind contributions equal to one-half of the total project costs. The Secretary may waive or reduce the required matching share for institutions that are eligible to receive assistance under part A or part B of Title III or under Title V of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

Priorities

Competitive Priority: Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(2)(i), 34 CFR 658.35, and section 604(a)(5) of Title VI of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, the Secretary gives preference to applications that meet the following competitive priority. The Secretary awards five points to an application that meets this competitive priority. These points are in addition to any points the application earns under the selection criteria:

Applications from institutions of higher education or combinations of institutions that: (a) Require entering students to have successfully completed at least two years of secondary school

foreign language instruction; (b) require each graduating student to earn two years of postsecondary credit in a foreign language or have demonstrated equivalent competence in the foreign language; or (c) in the case of a two-year degree granting institution, offer two years of postsecondary credit in a foreign language.

Invitational Priority: The Secretary is particularly interested in applications that meet the following invitational priority. However under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1) an application that meets this invitational priority does not receive competitive preference over other applications.

Applications from institutions of higher education that propose activities that enrich or enhance the effectiveness of educational programs abroad, including pre-departure and post-return programs, and integrate education programs abroad into the curriculum of the home institution.

For Applications or Information Contact: Christine Corey, Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language Program, U.S. Department of Education, International Education and Graduate Programs Service, 1990 K Street, NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20006-8521. Telephone: 202-502-7629. The e-mail address for Ms. Corey is: christine_corey@ed.gov

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