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## CERTIFICATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

## 1. Instructions for Certification

All individuals that will participate in an NEH-funded program must provide assurance that they are not presently debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in this program by a federal department or agency. One method that the grant recipient can use to meet this requirement is to collect this signed certification. Please sign and date the certification statement in section 3 or provide an explanation of why you cannot certify. Failure to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify the individual from participating in the program.

The certification is a material representation of fact. If it is later determined that the participant knowingly provided an erroneous certification, the applicant's participation in the program will be terminated, and the applicant will be required to return any federal funds advanced.

## 2. Explanation of Terms in the Certification

**Debarment:** An action taken by a debarring official in accordance with 2 CFR Parts 180 and 3369 to exclude a person from participating in covered transactions. A person so excluded is "debarred."

**Ineligible:** Excluded from participation in federal programs pursuant to a determination of ineligibility under statutory authority other than Executive Order 12549 and NEH's implementing regulations.

**Suspension:** An action taken by a suspending official in accordance with 2 CFR Parts 180 and 3369 that immediately excludes a person from participating in covered transaction for a temporary period, pending completion of an investigation. A person so excluded is "suspended."

**Voluntary Exclusion or Voluntarily Excluded:** The status of nonparticipation or limited participation in a covered transaction assumed by a person pursuant to the terms of a settlement.

## 3. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

The participant certifies that he or she is neither presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

Where the participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she will attach an explanation to this proposal.

Signature

Date

This form should be kept on file in the grantee institution's records. It should NOT be submitted to NEH.