



**A UNIQUE TEACHING OPPORTUNITY FOR USA FACULTY THROUGH THE USA MEMBERSHIP IN THE COOPERATIVE CENTER FOR STUDY ABROAD (CCSA)**

*Summer, Winter, more....*

***An invitation to USA Faculty:***

We would like to take this opportunity to share with you information regarding a unique teaching opportunity available through USA's membership in the Cooperative Center for Study Abroad (CCSA). For those of you who may be unfamiliar with us, CCSA is a higher education consortium of 24 colleges and universities headquartered at NKU. CCSA develops, plans and coordinates regularly scheduled study abroad programs in Australia, Belize, England, Ghana, Hong Kong, India, Ireland, Scotland and South Africa, in addition to other study abroad, alumni or community programs in English-speaking regions. CCSA offers courses in a very wide variety of academic disciplines, from traditional liberal arts courses in history, literature and art to agriculture, business, the sciences, health care and education. CCSA classes are taught by faculty from USA and other consortium-member universities. Students can receive higher education credit (undergraduate, graduate and professional in-service) for successfully completing the CCSA program in which they are enrolled. Since the consortium's inception in 1982, many USA faculty and students have participated in CCSA programs.

**Deadline for Proposals** -- The CCSA Board of Trustees each year accepts proposals from faculty for courses to be taught during the **summer with a deadline in February** with decision notifications in April. For the **Winter Programs** the deadline is typically in **September of each year**. With decision notifications in November. Country-appropriate courses in all disciplines are welcome.

**Course Requirements** – For all programs, the typical course plan includes pre-trip readings, on-site journals and post-trip projects/papers. The classes are conducted on site with field trip components for which travel to the respective countries can constitute a critical academic element. The winter programs are approximately two weeks in duration and have been scheduled for departure on December 26, 2009. Check the proposal guidelines for more details.

**Good News for Full-Time Non-Tenure Track Faculty!** -- In response to an increasing use of full-time non-tenure track faculty by many of our member institutions and, consequently, a corresponding interest in teaching on a CCSA program by non-tenure track faculty, the CCSA board of trustees decided to extend to these faculty (with appropriate academic credentials) the opportunity to participate as instructors in CCSA programs. Due to the various types of appointments, each such request from a non-tenure track faculty will need to be endorsed by an appropriate dean, indicating that the faculty has a reasonable expectation of being employed during the time the program is being offered. As our proposals are due approximately 15 months in advance, this endorsement is necessary to minimize student disappointment if the course must be cancelled because the faculty member is no longer teaching at a CCSA institution.

Brief summaries of the various CCSA winter and summer programs are provided below. If your interest is aroused by these descriptions and you would like to discuss any ideas you might have about what kind of course you might wish to propose, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us. We can provide more details about particular programs and clarify what the characteristics are of successful overseas travel/study experiences and discuss recruiting strategies that have attracted student participants in the past. In some cases we can also put you in touch with professors who have successfully taught classes similar to what you have in mind, so that you might gain insights from their experience.

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## GLOBAL USA “making a difference”

To follow are established programs for which CCSA is accepting proposals. Inquiries regarding other potential regions should be directed to the USA CCSA campus committee and CCSA central office.

### **SUMMER OPTIONS:**

*Belize* - The two-week Belize Program will be offered from mid- to late May. The biodiversity/conservation course being offered in the 2009 program will be based in San Ignacio Town, Blue Creek Rainforest and Dangriga, while the ecotourism class will be based in Belize City, Cockscomb Basin Jaguar Reserve, Placencia Village and Dangriga. Other country-appropriate disciplines are also welcome.

*Ghana* - The Ghana Program will be offered from early to mid-June and will be based in Accra, Cape Coast and Kumasi. In the past, African American studies, business, education, health, history, journalism, mass communication, photojournalism and sociology courses were offered. Other country-appropriate disciplines are also welcome.

*Hong Kong* - For the first time in many years, CCSA is offering a summer program to Hong Kong in mid- to late May 2009. The itinerary will include tours to Kowloon, Hong Kong Island, Lantau Island, Macau, Shenzhen and more. This year's courses include advertising/marketing and history.

*Ireland* - The Ireland Programs are based in Dublin and Galway for two weeks from mid- to late May (Ireland Early Program) and mid- to late July (Ireland Late Program). Organized field trips are taken by chartered bus/ferry to other parts of the Republic to sites such as the Aran Islands, Boyne Valley, Wicklow County and Limerick. Accommodation is in dormitory-style facilities, budget accommodations and/or hotels. Courses are offered in a wide variety of disciplines.

*London* - The month-long London Summer Program is conducted from early July to early August, and is based at the University of London's King's College Hampstead campus. The primary instruction is provided by CCSA faculty with supplementary lectures by British experts. Field trips in and around London are utilized extensively. Tours to Edinburgh, Paris and Stonehenge are organized and offered as options to students and faculty. Passes for London's public transportation system and the British rail network are provided to each participant for both field trips and independent excursions. Courses are offered in a wide variety of disciplines.

*Scotland* - The Scotland Program, scheduled for three weeks in mid-June to early July, is based in Edinburgh with visits to various sites in Scotland. Passes for Edinburgh's public transportation system and the British rail network are provided to each participant for both field trips and independent excursions. Courses in art, education, education/English/library media, English/literature, geography, journalism/history and political science are currently being offered for 2009. Both credit courses and in-service courses will be considered for this time period. For instance, an in-service program was offered for professional development hours for K-12 teachers from Kentucky and Tennessee.

**WINTER OPTIONS** - For those of you considering one of CCSA's winter programs (currently Australia, Hong Kong, India, London, London/Dublin and South Africa) please see the following examples.

*London Winter* -- The London Winter Program is hotel-based in central London. Course disciplines in previous programs include advertising, anthropology, art, art history, business, chemistry, communication, creative writing, dance, drama, English, family & consumer sciences, ethics, finance, geography, government, health care, history, humanities, journalism, leadership studies, linguistics, literature, management, marketing, mathematics, nursing, philosophy, photography, political science, psychology, public health, public relations, religious studies, social work, sports administration, theatre, world civilization and writing.

*Australia Winter* -- The Australia Program is flexible in both location and accommodation. Lodgings for the two-week program range from hotels to dormitory-style facilities, based upon location. This program spends approximately one week in Cairns and one week in Sydney. Past programs have included courses in the following disciplines: animal science, anthropology, art, biology, business, communication, creative writing, economics, education, environmental science, geology, health care, horticulture, marketing, photography, psychology and women's studies.

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India Winter -- This program was offered for the first time for 2006/2007. The structure of the India Program is flexible in both location and accommodation. Lodgings for the two-week program range from hotels to dormitory-style facilities, based upon location. This year we will be based in and around Delhi, Agra, Ranthambore, Jaipur, Bangalore, Udaipur, Mumbai, Hyderabad and Haridwar. Course disciplines in previous programs include: art, astronomy, education, fashion design, geography, humanities, literature, management information systems, merchandising, physics, retailing, science, sociology and visual merchandising.

Hong Kong Winter -- This program has been periodically offered, and is currently being offered for 2007/2008. The Hong Kong Program is hotel-based in central Hong Kong. Past programs have included courses in the following disciplines: the arts, business, law, music, music business and recording industry.

London/Dublin Winter -- The London/Dublin Program is hotel-based in central London and central Dublin with approximately one week in each city. Course disciplines in previous programs have included advertising, archaeology, art, art history, comparative education, drama, history, integrated marketing, international business, literature, music, psychology, public relations, theatre and visual culture.

South Africa Winter -- The CCSA Board of Trustees has approved the establishment of a winter program to South Africa in 09/10. Thus far, proposals for courses in the following areas have been approved: agriculture/business, economics and geography. Faculty are urged to consider proposals in other disciplines for this inaugural winter program.

The CCSA Board of Trustees is also open to proposals to any other areas where English is one of the official languages. There have been previous courses taught in the following countries: Barbados, Canada, Jamaica, Kenya and New Zealand. **Please contact the USA Office of International Education** or the CCSA executive director, Dr. Michael Klembara, (859) 572-6512 directly if you are interested in proposing a course in one of these areas.

**Proposal Form** -- We encourage you to visit the CCSA website at [http://www.ccsa.cc/ccsa\\_new\\_site/FACULTY\\_INFO.html](http://www.ccsa.cc/ccsa_new_site/FACULTY_INFO.html) For your convenience, the course proposal form is available in Microsoft Word format in the Faculty Info section of the CCSA website. Please feel free to contact CCSA or your USA CCSA committee members for additional information or to obtain a course proposal form (via email as an attachment). We look forward to hearing from you.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL PROPOSALS SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE USA OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION AND ASSISTANCE IN DEVELOPING THE PROPOSAL. CCSA REQUIRES THAT ALL PROPOSALS BE REVIEWED AND FORWARDED WITH RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE CCSA HEADQUARTERS, WITHOUT THIS REVIEW THE REVIEW OF SUCH MAY BE DELAYED SIGNIFICANTLY.

FACULTY WISHING TO PROPOSE USA BASED PROGRAMS SHOULD CONSULT WITH THE USA OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION AND COMPLETE THE FORM LOCATED AT:

<http://www.southalabama.edu/oie/docs/programabroad.doc>

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