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## CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

**TIME AND DATE:** Wednesday,  
 January 18, 2017; 10:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

**PLACE:** Hearing Room 420, Bethesda  
 Towers, 4330 East West Highway,  
 Bethesda, Maryland.

**STATUS:** Closed to the Public.

**Matter To Be Considered:** Compliance  
 Matters: The Commission staff will brief  
 the Commission on the status of various  
 compliance matters.

#### CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Todd A. Stevenson, Office of the  
 Secretary, U.S. Consumer Product  
 Safety Commission, 4330 East West  
 Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814, (301)  
 504-7923.

Dated: January 10, 2017.

**Todd A Stevenson,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Applications for New Awards; Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship Program

**AGENCY:** Office of Postsecondary  
 Education, Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice.

#### Overview Information:

Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation  
 Research Abroad (DDRA) Fellowship  
 Program Notice inviting applications for  
 new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2017.

*Catalog of Federal Domestic  
 Assistance (CFDA) Number:* 84.022A.

**DATES:** *Applications Available:* January  
 13, 2017.

*Deadline for Transmittal of  
 Applications:* March 14, 2017.

## Full Text of Announcement

### I. Funding Opportunity Description

**Purpose of Program:** The Fulbright-  
 Hays DDRA Fellowship Program  
 provides opportunities to doctoral  
 candidates to engage in full-time  
 dissertation research abroad in modern  
 foreign languages and area studies. The  
 program is designed to contribute to the  
 development and improvement of the  
 study of modern foreign languages and  
 area studies in the United States.

**Priorities:** This notice contains one  
 absolute priority, two competitive  
 preference priorities, and one  
 invitational priority. In accordance with  
 34 CFR 75.105(b)(2)(ii), the absolute and  
 competitive preference priorities are  
 from the regulations for this program (34  
 CFR 662.21(d)).

**Absolute Priority:** For FY 2017, this  
 priority is an absolute priority. Under 34  
 CFR 75.105(c)(3), we consider only  
 applications that meet this priority.

This priority is:

*Specific Geographic Regions of the  
 World.*

A research project that focuses on one  
 or more of the following geographic  
 areas: Africa, East Asia, Southeast Asia  
 and the Pacific Islands, South Asia, the  
 Near East, Central and Eastern Europe  
 and Eurasia, and the Western  
 Hemisphere (excluding the United  
 States and its territories). Please note  
 that applications that propose projects  
 focused on the following countries are  
 not eligible: Andorra, Austria, Belgium,  
 Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France,  
 Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy,  
 Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta,  
 Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal,  
 San Marino, Spain, Sweden,  
 Switzerland, United Kingdom, or  
 Vatican City.

**Competitive Preference Priorities:**

Within this absolute priority, we give  
 competitive preference to applications  
 that address one or both of the following  
 priorities.

Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(2)(i), for FY  
 2017, we award an additional three  
 points to an application that meets  
 Competitive Preference Priority 1 and  
 two points for an application that meets  
 Competitive Preference Priority 2 (up to  
 5 additional points possible).

These priorities are:

**Competitive Preference Priority 1:  
 Focus on Priority Languages (3 points).**

A research project that makes use of  
 any of the 78 priority languages selected  
 from the U.S. Department of Education's  
 list of Less Commonly Taught  
 Languages, as follows:

Akan (Twi-Fante), Albanian,  
 Amharic, Arabic (all dialects),  
 Armenian, Azeri (Azerbaijani), Balochi,

Bamanakan (Bamana, Bambara,  
 Mandikan, Mandingo, Maninka, Dyula),  
 Belarusian, Bengali (Bangla), Berber (all  
 languages), Bosnian, Bulgarian,  
 Burmese, Cebuano (Visayan), Chechen,  
 Chinese (Cantonese), Chinese (Gan),  
 Chinese (Mandarin), Chinese (Min),  
 Chinese (Wu), Croatian, Dari, Dinka,  
 Georgian, Gujarati, Hausa, Hebrew  
 (Modern), Hindi, Igbo, Indonesian,  
 Japanese, Javanese, Kannada, Kashmiri,  
 Kazakh, Khmer (Cambodian), Kirghiz,  
 Korean, Kurdish (Kurmanji), Kurdish  
 (Sorani), Lao, Malay (Bahasa Melayu or  
 Malaysian), Malayalam, Marathi,  
 Mongolian, Nepali, Oromo, Panjabi,  
 Pashto, Persian (Farsi), Polish,  
 Portuguese (all varieties), Quechua,  
 Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Sinhala  
 (Sinhalese), Somali, Swahili, Tagalog,  
 Tajik, Tamil, Telugu, Thai, Tibetan,  
 Tigrigna, Turkish, Turkmen, Ukrainian,  
 Urdu, Uyghur/Uigur, Uzbek,  
 Vietnamese, Wolof, Xhosa, Yoruba, and  
 Zulu.

**Competitive Preference Priority 2:  
 Thematic Focus on Academic Fields (2  
 points).**

A research project conducted in the  
 field of economics, engineering,  
 international development,  
 mathematics, political science, public  
 health, science, comparative or  
 international education, or technology.

**Invitational Priority:** For FY 2017, this  
 priority is an invitational priority.  
 Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1), we do not  
 give an application that meets this  
 invitational priority a competitive or  
 absolute preference over other  
 applications.

This priority is:

*Applications from Minority-Serving  
 Institutions.* For purposes of this  
 invitational priority, Minority-Serving  
 Institution means an institution that is  
 eligible to receive assistance under part  
 A of title III, under part B of title III, or  
 under title V of the Higher Education  
 Act of 1965, as amended.

**Program Authority:** 22 U.S.C.  
 2452(b)(6).

**Applicable Regulations:** (a) The  
 Education Department General  
 Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in  
 34 CFR parts 75, 77, 81, 82, 84, 86, 97,  
 98, and 99. (b) The OMB Guidelines to  
 Agencies on Governmentwide  
 Debarment and Suspension  
 (Nonprocurement) in 2 CFR part 180, as  
 adopted and amended as regulations of  
 the Department in 2 CFR part 3485. (c)  
 The Uniform Administrative  
 Requirements, Cost Principles, and  
 Audit Requirements for Federal Awards  
 in 2 CFR part 200, as adopted and  
 amended as regulations of the  
 Department in 2 CFR part 3474. (d) The