Teacher Professional Development Grants

Program update: In light of potential school closures or hybrid learning resulting from COVID-19, Teacher Professional Development grant applications will be accepted on a rolling basis throughout the academic year. Additionally, the scope of the grant will be adjusted to give preference to online professional development and include trainings related remote learning, or other trainings that you may need at this time.

Program Overview

As part of its overall mission to support the understanding and teaching of Arab society and culture in public and public charter schools in non-language primary and secondary classrooms in the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom, Qatar Foundation International (QFI) is pleased to offer Teacher Professional Development Grants for primary and secondary educators to participate in high-quality professional development events that will enhance his/her ability to teach about the Arab world or Arab culture.

These grants will provide up to $2,000 or £1,500 for educators in the social science and arts fields towards travel and registration costs associated with the attendance of professional development events or courses that will enhance their ability to teach about the Arab world or culture in their respective classrooms.
**Funding**

Grantees will be awarded up to $2,000 or £1,500 to support their attendance to the following types of events:

- Workshops
- Regional, national, or international conferences
- Summer institutes
- Seminars
- Educational courses - in-person or online

The content of the event must be directly related to enhancing the applicant's ability to teach about the Arab world or Arab culture. If an event's content is not explicitly related to the Arab world (i.e. a social studies or global education conference), then the applicant must demonstrate how he/she will utilize the knowledge gained from the event to better teach about the region or culture.

Please note that the event can occur past the grant application deadline.

Teacher Professional Development Grant funding can be specifically used towards:

- Travel-related costs including:
  - Airfare
  - Rail costs
  - Taxi/ground transportation
- Lodging
- Event or program registration costs and fees

**Applicant Eligibility**

In order to be eligible for a Teacher Professional Development Grant, applicants must:

- Be a current primary or secondary teacher in a public or public charter school in the United States, Canada, or the United Kingdom
- Be a primary or secondary teacher in the social science or arts fields
- Demonstrate that he/she provides, or intends to provide, classroom instruction on an aspect of the Arab world

**Grant Conditions**

If selected, teachers who receive funding through the Teacher Professional Development Grants from QFI will be required to:

- Grantees must provide a narrative and financial report within two weeks of the event’s conclusion
- Grantees must develop and submit to QFI one classroom activity based on the content or knowledge gained from the event within one month of the event’s conclusion
Upon review of submitted lesson plan, Grantee must upload it to QFI's open-education resource portal at http://www.teachalmasdar.org

**How to Apply:**

To apply for the Teacher Professional Development Grants, you must register for an account on QFI's Application Management Portal at qfi.smapply.org.

Please create a user account and profile. Upon completing your login credentials and user profile, you will be prompted to take an Eligibility Quiz. You will then be able to access the grant application.

**Contact Information:**

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