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13th Annual American Studies Summer Institute
"U.S. Elections as a Reflection of American Society"
June 11-15, 2012

At the Yevpatoriya Branch of Volodymyr Dal' East-Ukrainian National University (EUNU)

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 18, 2012

The Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy in Kyiv, in cooperation with the Yevpatoriya Branch of Volodymyr Dal' East-Ukrainian National University (EUNU), is pleased to announce the 13th American Studies Summer Institute focusing on the theme "U.S. Elections as a Reflection of American Society." This event will take place at the Yevpatoriya campus of EUNU from June 11 –15, 2012. Thirty junior university lecturers and researchers from throughout Ukraine will be selected to attend this popular event through an open competition for slots.

This intensive weeklong summer program will include lectures, seminars, discussions, and simulations/role-playing activities that will discuss at least four of the following topics: 1) Mechanics of a U.S. Presidential Election: Primaries and General, Laws and Finance; 2) Whose Party is it? Republicans and Democrats in the modern era; 3) Race and Ethnicity: The Changing Face of the U.S. Electorate; 4) Comedy as Critique: Cartoons and Comedy during Campaigns; 5) i-Nation: How Social Media and the Internet are Changing Elections.

The program will provide an opportunity to discuss real changes that have taken place in the U.S in the first decade of this new century. American professors and other specialists will conduct the lectures and discussions. The working language of the summer institute will be English. Note: We encourage university instructors from all disciplines, especially the social sciences, to apply. The summer institute **will not** focus on English language study, or methodologies for English language teaching.

Eligibility:

- Junior faculty at Ukrainian institutions of higher learning with a minimum of two years teaching experience who are either already teaching or currently developing American Studies courses in their home institutions;
- English language fluency.

Preference will be given to those candidates, who have not attended recent American Studies Summer Institutes organized by the Public Affairs Section in Ukraine. Individuals who took part in last year's and the 11th annual American Studies Summer Institute in Yevpatoriya should *not* apply. Individuals who have participated in earlier annual American Studies Institutes can apply if they explain what impact their previous participation had on further development of U.S. Studies at their institution.

Application: When working on the application, please include a thoughtful, well-organized, and detailed statement of purpose. You will also need to include a letter of recommendation from your university administration.

The Embassy will cover the cost of tuition, lodging and meals in Yevpatoriya to all participants. However, participants are responsible for their own transportation to the summer institute venue and must pay a registration fee of 50 Hryvnias upon arrival at the summer institute site in Yevpatoriya.

The deadline for receipt of applications in U.S. Embassy's Public Affairs Section is April 18, 2012.

Application forms are available at U.S. Embassy's web site <http://ukraine.usembassy.gov> or by contacting the Program Coordinator at ShyloLP@state.gov