

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection to Marine Corps Recruiting Command, (Code MROR), 3280 Russell Road, Quantico, VA 22134-5103.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request additional information or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, contact Gunnery Sergeant Ricardo Hudson at (703) 784-9449.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Form Title and OMB Number:* Personal Information Questionnaire; OMB Control No. 0703-0012.

*Needs and Uses:* The Personal Information Questionnaire is used to provide Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps with a standardized method in rating officer program applicants in the areas of character, leadership, ability, and suitability for a service as a commissioned officer.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 8,350.

*Number of Respondents:* 16,700.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden per Response:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

(Authority: 44 U.S.C. Sec. 3506(c)(2)(A))

Dated: August 12, 1999.

**J.L. Roth,**

*Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**Submission for OMB Review;  
Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 20, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address DWERFEL@OMB.EOP.GOV.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: August 13, 1999.

**William E. Burrow,**

*Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

**Office of Elementary and Secondary Education**

*Title:* Guidance to State Educational Agencies (SEAs) Seeking to Use an Alternative Method to Distribute Title I Funds to Local Education Agencies (LEAs) With Fewer Than 20,000 Total Residents.

*Frequency:* Guidance issued on as needed basis.

*Affected Public:* State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 25.

Burden Hours: 200.

*Abstract:* Guidance for State educational agencies seeking to use an alternative method to distribute Title I Basic and Concentration Grants to local educational agencies.

Written comments and requests for copies of this information collection request should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC. 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address *Vivian\_Reese@ed.gov*, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

For questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Kathy Axt at 703-426-9692. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

**Office of Elementary and Secondary Education**

*Title:* Guidance to State Educational Agencies (SEAs) on Procedures for Adjusting ED-determined Title I Allocations to Local Educational Agencies (LEAs).

*Frequency:* Guidance issued on as needed basis.

*Affected Public:* State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 52.

Burden Hours: 2,080.

*Abstract:* Guidance for State educational agencies on procedures for adjusting ED-determined Title I Basic and Concentration Grants allocations to local educational agencies to account for newly created LEAs and LEA boundary changes.

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For questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Kathy Axt at 703-426-9692. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

[CFDA No.: 84.015A and B]

**Office of Postsecondary Education,  
Department of Education; Notice  
Inviting Applications for National  
Resource Centers Program for Foreign  
Language and Area Studies or Foreign  
Language and International Studies  
and Foreign Language and Area  
Studies Fellowships Program New  
Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000**

*Purpose of Programs:* The National Resource Centers (NRC) Program makes

awards to institutions of higher education for general assistance in strengthening nationally recognized centers of excellence in foreign language and area or international studies. NRC awards are used to support undergraduate centers or comprehensive centers, which include undergraduate, graduate, and professional school components.

The Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships (FLAS) Program makes awards to institutions of higher education for fellowship assistance to meritorious students undergoing graduate training in modern foreign languages and related areas or international studies. FLAS awards are used to support academic year and summer fellowships.

**Eligible Applicants:** Institutions of higher education and consortia of institutions of higher education.

**Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:** October 18, 1999.

**Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:** December 17, 1999.

**Applications Available:** September 7, 1999.

**Available Funds:** \$21,230,000 for the NRC Program; and \$15,090,000 for the FLAS Program. The estimated amount of funds available for new awards is based on the Administration's request for FY 2000. The actual level of funding, if any, is contingent on final congressional action.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$175,000—\$225,000 per year for the NRC Program, and \$27,000—\$172,800 per year for the FLAS Program.

**Estimated Average Size of Awards:** \$193,000 for the NRC Program and \$116,000 for the FLAS Program.

**Estimated Number of Awards:** 110 grants under the NRC Program, and 130 grants under the FLAS Program. It is anticipated that the 130 FLAS program grants will yield 600 academic year fellowships and 415 summer fellowships.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Project Period:** 36 months, beginning September 1, 2000.

**Applicable Regulations:** (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 82, 85, and 86; and (b) The regulations for these programs as follows: 34 CFR parts 655 and 656 governing the NRC Program; and 34 CFR parts 655 and 657 governing the FLAS Program.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### FLAS Subsistence Allowance Level

The student subsistence allowance levels will be \$11,000 for an academic

year fellowship and \$2,400 for a summer fellowship.

##### FLAS Institutional Payment

An institutional payment in lieu of tuition will be \$10,000 for an academic year fellowship and \$3,600 for a summer fellowship.

##### FLAS Travel Payment

Summer fellowships to be used on campuses other than the student's home institution may also include travel awards of \$1,000 or the actual cost of travel, whichever is less.

FLAS budgets, therefore, should reflect \$21,000 for each academic year fellowship requested, \$6,000 for each summer fellowship requested, and summer travel awards, if requested.

**Note:** The amount of the award will not include allowances for dependents.

##### Absolute Priority

Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(3) and 34 CFR 656.23(a)(1)–(2), and (4), the Secretary gives an absolute preference to applications that meet the following priority:

*Projects that include teacher training activities on the language, languages, area studies, or general topic of the center.*

##### Page Limit

The application narrative is where you, the applicant, address the selection criteria reviewers use in evaluating your application. You must limit the narrative to 35 double-spaced pages for a single institution's application or 45 double-spaced pages for a consortium's application using the following standards:

A "page" is 8.5" × 11", on one side only, with 1" margins at the top, bottom, and both sides. You must double space (no more than three lines per vertical inch) all text in the application narrative, including titles, headings, footnotes, quotations, references, and captions. However, you may single space charts, tables, figures or graphs.

If you use a proportional computer font, you may not use a font smaller than a 12-point font or an average character density greater than 18 characters per inch. If you use a nonproportional font or typewriter, you may not use more than 12 characters per inch.

The page limit does not apply to the cover sheet, the abstract, the budget section, or the appendices.

If, to meet the page limit, you use print size, spacing, or margins smaller than the standards in this notice, we will reject your application.

#### FOR APPLICATIONS OR INFORMATION

**CONTACT:** Cheryl Gibbs, Ed McDermott, Karla Ver Bryck Block, or Amy Wilson, NRC–FLAS Team, U.S. Department of Education, International Education and Graduate Programs Service, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Suite 600 Portals Building, Washington, D.C. 20202–5331. Telephone (202) 401–9798. The e-mail address for the NRC–FLAS Team is OPE\_NRC-FLAS@ed.gov.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1–800–877–8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternate format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to one of the contact persons listed in the preceding paragraph. Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package in an alternate format, also, by contacting that person. However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternate format the standard forms included in the application package.

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**Program Authority:** 22 U.S.C. 1122.

Dated: August 16, 1999.

**Claudio R. Prieto,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education.*

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