Call for Applications:
Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies K-12 Lesson Plan Development Grant

The Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies of The University of Texas at Austin announces a call for applications to design a one-to-two day lesson plan or modules that teach about the history, language, geography, and/or cultures of the Russian, East European, and Eurasian (REE) region, which can be utilized in K-12 classrooms. The lesson plans may cover as few as one country or region within a country, to the entire REE region. Lesson plans will be created for widespread public use and shared on our public outreach website, bulletins and other distribution networks.

Lesson plans must include, but do not need to be limited to, information on the REE region and peoples outside of the United States. The lesson plans should:

1) State clear learning objectives & align with TEKS or Common Core Standards;
2) Provide background information for teacher understanding;
3) Contain teaching and learning strategies and activities;
4) Identify resources to be utilized in the understanding of the content of the unit or for extension activities; and
5) Constitute a complete lesson plan for one or two days, or one or two complete modules for 20 minutes each.

Compensation: $750 dollars. For current teachers, additional funding may be available to pilot the unit. Draft lesson plans must be submitted on or before June 2nd, 2017, for initial feedback and final units must be submitted on August 11, 2017. Payment will be processed upon the completion of the unit.

Application requirements: Please submit a resume and proposal that outlines the proposed topic, learning objectives, aligned TEKS/Common Core Standard, and possible teaching strategies that you will draw from. The grade level for the lesson plan/module should be clearly stated. Applications will be due April 28, 2017, by email to jenicajones@utexas.edu.

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