

The National Council for Eurasian and East European Research invites proposals for

2009 TITLE VIII SHORT-TERM TRAVEL GRANTS FOR RESEARCH IN CENTRAL ASIA, THE CAUCASUS, AND THE BALKANS

Deadline: December 15, 2008 AND April 15, 2009

ABOUT THE SHORT-TERM TRAVEL GRANT PROGRAM

This Short-Term Travel Grant program provides a maximum award of \$3,000 for research on the countries of Central Asia, the Caucasus, and the Balkans. To qualify, applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents holding a Ph.D., or US citizens or permanent residents with comparable research experience in any discipline of the humanities and social sciences or other professional terminal graduate degree.

Short-term travel grants are individual grants to scholars or researchers which may be used for up to two months for the following purposes: 1) enabling scholars and researchers to get quick access to research resources in the relevant subregions; 2) use the travel grant for refresher visits on particular topics for already established research work; 3) research planning with colleagues from the subregions on broader multi-year projects already funded or to be funded by other sources; 4) creation of databases or research aids such as archival guides; and 5) on an exceptional basis, inviting scholars or researchers from the subregions to the United States for conferences or special collaborative research opportunities.

The Short-Term Travel Grant program is meant to support research that is relevant to United States policy towards Central Asia, the Caucasus, and the Balkans. Applicants may apply a broad definition of “policy relevance” in their proposals.

COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE FOR RESEARCH

- Albania
- Armenia
- Azerbaijan
- Bosnia-Herzegovina
- Croatia
- Georgia
- Kazakhstan
- Kyrgyzstan
- Kosovo
- Macedonia
- Montenegro
- Serbia
- Slovenia
- Tajikistan
- Turkmenistan
- Uzbekistan

SHORT-TERM TRAVEL GRANT FUNDING

Funding for the Short-Term Travel Grant Program is provided under the Program of Research and Training for Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union (Title VIII), which is administered by the Department of State. Accordingly, fellowships are subject to Federal laws, and regulations, including the Intergovernmental Personnel Act, and OMB Circulars A-21, A-110, A-122, A-128, and A-133. Fellowships are also subject to the availability of funds.

HOW TO APPLY

Application guidelines and forms may be downloaded from NCEEER's website:

<http://www.nceeer.org/Programs/STTG/sttg.php>

The deadline for application submission is

December 15, 2008 for spring travel and **April 15, 2009** for summer travel.

ABOUT NCEEER

NCEEER was created in 1978 to develop and sustain long-term, high-quality programs for post-doctoral research on the social, political, economic, environmental, and historical development of Eurasia and Central and Eastern Europe. From broad, cross-cultural analyses to more focused studies of particular problems, NCEEER supports research projects that facilitate a mutually beneficial exchange of information between scholars and policy-makers and contribute to a better understanding of current developments and future prospects in the post-communist countries of Europe and Eurasia.