

2024 Study of the United States Institute (SUSI) Scholars and Educators Program Call for Applications

U.S. Embassy Dhaka is pleased to announce a call for applications for the 2024 Study of United States Institute (SUSI) Scholars Program. This U.S. Department of State-funded six-week long intense post-graduate level academic exchange program provides scholarships for highly motivated mid-career scholars and professionals generally from institutions of higher education or research-focused organizations (not-for-profits, think tanks, etc.) to deepen their understanding of U.S. society, culture, values, and institutions. The goal of the program is to strengthen curricula and to enhance the quality of teaching about the United States at academic institutions in Bangladesh.

The SUSI Scholars Program will take place at various colleges, universities, and academic institutions throughout the United States over the course of six weeks beginning in/after June 2024. Scholarships will be offered under the following six thematic institutes, which will include a four-week academic residency component and up to two weeks of an integrated study tour to another region of the United States:

- 1. The Institute on American Politics and Political Thought will provide highly motivated foreign university faculty and other specialists insight into how intellectual and political movements have influenced American political institutions and American democracy. The Institute will explore the shaping of American identity and the chemistry between that identity and U.S. history, politics, and the democratic process.
- 2. The Institute on Contemporary American Literature will provide highly motivated foreign university faculty and practitioners with a deeper understanding of U.S. society and culture, past and present, through an examination of contemporary American literature. The Institute will examine how major contemporary writers, schools, and movements reflect the evolution of U.S. literature.
- 3. The Institute on Journalism and Media will provide highly motivated foreign journalism instructors and other related specialists with a deeper understanding of the role that journalism and the media play in U.S. society. The Institute will examine the role of journalists in recognizing and preventing disinformation and will explore strategies for media and information literacy to counter disinformation.
- **4.** The Institute on U.S. Culture, Identity, and Society will provide highly motivated foreign university faculty and other specialists with a deeper understanding of U.S. society, culture, values, and institutions through the lens of diversity and national unity. The Institute will examine the ethnic, racial, social, economic, political, and religious contexts in which various

cultures have manifested in U.S. society while focusing on the ways in which these cultures have influenced social movements and American identity throughout U.S. history.

- 5. The Institute on U.S. Economics and Sustainable Development Business will provide foreign university faculty, researchers, experts, and policymakers with a deeper understanding of key components and structures of the U.S. economy. Using a multidisciplinary approach, the program will explore various topics of socioeconomics such as how financial institutions, investors, and businesses interact to support sustainable economic development, innovation, and growth; and increasing diverse and equitable employment through institutional regulation, social inclusion strategies, and private and public policies.
- **6.** The Institute on U.S. Foreign Policy will provide experienced foreign university faculty and practitioners with a deeper understanding of new approaches to U.S. foreign policy and how U.S. foreign policy is formulated and implemented. The Institute will explain the role of key influences on U.S. foreign policy including the executive and legislative branches of government, the media, the U.S. public, think tanks, non-governmental organizations, and multilateral institutions.

Application Information and Deadline:

Access the electronic copy of the application form at: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1c25TpsmEky2s1-9ESp2-6XGJIznoXRC077FZh1t5 kc/edit

Applications are due on Saturday, December 30, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. BST.

For further information, please send your queries to DhakaUSExchanges@state.gov

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