

Faculty Development Seminar in Egypt

Papyrus, Pyramids and the Suez Canal: Egyptian Civilization, Arts, Sciences & Technology

July 2-July 18, 2010

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Africa Council and Middle East Council*



Program Overview

The seminar will expose participants to the rich culture and civilization of Egypt. Situated proudly on the river Nile and generally regarded as the cradle of civilization, Egypt, in the past as well as the present has been at the confluence of various worlds: the African, the Middle Eastern and European. One of the earliest forms of writing, hieroglyphics was discovered in Egypt and she pioneered various forms of knowledge such as astronomy and mathematics. Achievements in science and technology in Egypt have become legendary: from the working of papyrus into paper, the magnificent engineering and architecture of the pyramids, the ancient art of embalming, its noteworthy contribution to the field of medicine to modern marvels such as the Aswan dam and the Suez canal. While Egypt is rich in ancient religious lore and mythology, it is also an ideal place for the study of the mix of the three monotheistic religions. Egypt's contribution to the field of modern literature was recognized by the awarding of the Nobel Prize in literature to Naguib Mahfouz. Geopolitically, Egypt is of strategic importance in the Middle East and is the second largest recipient of US aid. In light of US involvement in this part of the world, it is imperative that US citizens understand the region historically, culturally, economically and politically.

PROGRAM FEE:

\$4,850 based on double occupancy
Single Supplement: \$895

Program fee includes:

- Round trip transatlantic airfare on regularly scheduled flight
- All programming as listed above
- 4 night excursion along the Nile
- Internal flights Cairo/Luxor and Aswan/Cairo
- Services of a CSA On-Site Coordinator for the duration of the program
- Accommodation in centrally located hotels:
- Breakfast and dinner daily, several additional meals
- All transportation as listed above
- Accident and sickness insurance
- Liability insurance

Program fee does not include:

- Passport and visa fees when applicable
 - Drinks with lunch and dinner;
 - Additional meals
- Personal expenses including laundry, mini-bar charges and telephone calls;
- Any other item not listed above

Payment requirements:

- **\$250** due with application on **January 4, 2010**.
- A second payment of **\$1,300** is due on **April 2, 2010**.
- Final balance is due on **May 15, 2010**

Please note that specialized visits are subject to availability and may be changed.

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Applications are available at:

http://info.gcsu.edu/intranet/international/faculty_dvlpmnt.htm

We will be working primarily with 3 institutions: Alexandria University, Mansoura University, and the American University of Cairo. Reading pertaining to lectures will be identified and distributed to participants prior to departure.

Lecture Topics and other Professional Opportunities:

1. The architecture and religious significance of the pyramids	5. Ancient Egypt and Africa	9. Egypt and the world of Ancient Greece and Rome
2. Ancient Egyptian Religion/Mythology	6. Egypt's Relations with the U.S. and the Middle East	10. Egyptian Womanhood
3. Religion in Egypt/Islam	7. Egyptian Literary Tradition	11. At Mansoura University, US faculty will make presentations to their Egyptian counterparts
4. Tutankhamun	8. The Geo-political Importance of the Suez Canal	12. Reception hosted by Fulbright Cultural and Educational Program

Sites included in the visit:

While based in Cairo participants will visit the Great Pyramids of Giza and the Sphinx, The Step Pyramid of Sakara, Memphis which was the capital of the Pharaohs, the Museum of Islamic Arts, the Egyptian Museum, the ancient al-Azhar mosque, the Khan al Khalili Bazaar, the Alabaster Mosque of Mohammed Ali, the Ben Ezra Synagogue, the Hanging Church.

In Luxor participants will board a ship and visit the Temple Complex of Karnak, the Necropolis at Thebes, the Valley of the Kings, the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, the Colossi of Memnon, the Ptolemaic Temple of Horus. In Aswan, participants will visit the Aswan High Dam, the Temple of Philae, the Aga Khan Mausoleum and the Elephantine Island.

Finally, participants will fly to Abu Simbel to visit the Temples of Abu Simbel and the Pharaonic temples at the Southern borders of The Sudan.

Expectations of Participants:

Participants must commit to full participation in the seminar, including:

- Attending the required pre-departure orientation in late March/early April 2010 where participants will be briefed on the geography and culture of Egypt, and given readings and resource materials to help them prepare for the seminar;
- Participating fully in all lectures, excursions and discussions of the seminar itself;
- Completing a written evaluation at the end of the program, as well as participating in the post-seminar meeting in September 2010 to discuss ways to incorporate the seminar in teaching.
- Participants are encouraged to present a paper in March 2011 annual faculty symposium sponsored by the Georgia Consortium for International Studies.

Applicant Eligibility:

To be eligible for consideration to participate in this seminar, applicant must meet the following conditions:

- a. Submit a complete Seminar Participant Application with all required signatures by deadline. This application includes three sections (a. applicant questionnaire, b. original narrative, and c. summary vitae);
- b. Submit a note from your physician stating you are in good health and are fit to travel.

Application Procedure:

A complete Seminar Participant Application with all required signatures and attachments (original narrative and summary of curriculum vitae) must be mailed and postmarked no later than the application deadline to:

Professor Olufunke A. Fontenot, Seminar Director
Office of the Dean for Arts & Sciences
Campus Box 048
Georgia College & State University
Milledgeville, GA 31061
Application Deadline, January 4, 2010

Faculty Leaders:

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Olufunke A. Fontenot is a Professor of Criminal Justice and Associate Dean of the School of Liberal Arts & Sciences at Georgia College & State University in Milledgeville, Georgia. She was professor of law at the University of Lagos School of Law in Lagos, Nigeria before moving to the United States in 1989. She has an LL.B. from the University of Ife, Ile Ife, Nigeria; an M.Litt. from Cambridge University; and an LL.M. from Yale Law School. Fontenot is a 2007 graduate of the Bryn Mawr HERS Institute for women in higher education, and a 2008 graduate of the Millennium Leadership Institute of the American Association of State Colleges & Universities. In March, 2009, Fontenot was one of ten administrators selected to participate in the Higher Education Administrators Seminar to India organized by the United State-India Educational Foundation (USIEF).

She serves on the University System of Georgia African Council for the promotion of internationalization of the curriculum and faculty development as it pertains to Africa. In July of 2006, Fontenot led a 15-member faculty team from the University System of Georgia on a four-week faculty development seminar to Nigeria and Cameroon. She also led the 2008 Africa Council faculty Seminar to Nigeria. She's led student study abroad programs to Senegal (West Africa) and China.

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Sunita Manian is an Associate Professor of Political Economy and Coordinator of Interdisciplinary Studies at Georgia College and State University. Prior to joining GCSU, she was on the faculty of Wesleyan College, where she also served as the Director of Women's Studies. She has a doctorate in Economics from Tulane University.

She has served as the chair of the University System of Georgia's Middle East Council since 2003. She has taught and/or as site director on several study-abroad programs in Europe, where her courses have focused, inter alia, on the topic of Muslim and Arab migrant experiences in Europe. In 2008 she participated in the University System of Georgia's Faculty Development Seminar to Morocco and Spain. Her publications include research on the nature and causes of human trafficking in the Maghreb and Europe.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Accident & Sickness Insurance

Full medical and accident insurance is included for every program participant . This coverage includes:

- \$50,000 Accident & Sickness Medical Expense (\$100.00 deductible)
- \$50,000 Emergency Medical Evacuation
- \$25,000 Accidental Death & Dismemberment
- \$10,000 Repatriation of Remains
- Bedside visitation by friend or relative – economy class airfare
- An international assistance center which is available to help 24•hours a day

Accommodations: All rates are based on double occupancy unless otherwise specified. A limited number of single rooms will be available at a supplemental charge due at the time of final payment.

Not included in the cost of the program: Visa fees not specifically mentioned; passport and photos; items of a personal nature, such as laundry, telephone calls, beverages or items not covered in included meals; meals not included, optional excursions, excess baggage charges, luggage handling in U.S. at beginning and end of the program; expenses due to flight delays or other irregularities.

Air Transportation: Departures from the U.S. are on recognized scheduled air carriers utilizing special group fares. Airline and schedules are subject to change at all times.

Cancellation: The Africa and Middle East Councils have retained the services of Cultural Studies Abroad for the Seminar; accordingly, cancellation requests should be directed to that agency. Cancellations will only be accepted in writing via email, or mail addressed to Cultural Studies Abroad, 1401 Jones Street, Suite 205, San Francisco, CA, 94109. The date the cancellation is received by CSA shall determine the cancellation date.

Itinerary Deviations: Extensions after the program must be requested in writing to Cultural Studies Abroad as soon as possible but no later than 90 days prior to departure. A \$50.00 per person deviation fee will apply plus any supplemental airfare.

Standard Cancellation Fees: the standard cancellation fees apply as follows:

- Up to 90 days prior to departure, \$100.00 per person
- Between 90 and 61 days prior to departure, \$250.00 per person
- Between 60 and 31 days, 50% of the program price
- Between 30 days and day of departure, 100% of program price

**APPLICATION
2010 FACULTY DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR TO EGYPT**

A. QUESTIONNAIRE: Applicant's Background Information

First, middle & last name

Title discipline institution

Campus mailing address

City state zip

Office phone office fax email

Home phone cell phone alt. email

Passport number expiration date

Position: () full professor () assoc. professor () asst. professor () instructor () lecturer () administrator () staff with teaching responsibilities

Please list all courses you are teaching in the 2009/10 academic year (fall/spring/summer) and 2010/11 academic year. Designate which are "core courses" (fall/spring/summer)

Beginning with the most recent, list all previous experiences abroad (living or traveling). Include any USG overseas seminars or any other overseas international activities. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

Please provide the following information about your immediate supervisor:

Name title

Campus mailing address

City state zip

Office phone office fax email

B. NARRATIVE: Please write an original narrative of about 500-750 words, double-spaced, that describes how you will incorporate what you gain from participation in the seminar into any two of the following: your teaching, curriculum development, research/scholarship, professional associations, or community service.

C. TWO-PAGE SUMMARY VITAE: Please provide a two-page summary of your curriculum vitae, which details your most relevant accomplishments or experience.

PLEASE SIGN AND DATE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

I certify that the information that I have provided is true and is my own work. I certify that if selected for the seminar, I will participate fully in the pre-departure seminar orientation, all seminar activities, the post-seminar meeting, and in all related follow-up activities.

Applicant's **S**ignature Date

Signature of Applicant's **S**upervisor Date

Signature of Applicant's **SCIE** Representative Date

Payment: A **\$250 deposit** must be submitted with this enrollment form, payable by check or money order to Georgia College & State University with "2010 Faculty Seminar" in the memo section and sent to:

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