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**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE FULBRIGHT AFRICAN RESEARCH SCHOLAR PROGRAMME 2015/2016**

This is to call for applications for the Fulbright Senior Scholar Programme for the 2015/2016 academic year. The J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board is particularly interested in senior lecturers from the social sciences and humanities. Therefore, applicants with specialty in related fields will be given preference during the selection process. The deadline for submitting online applications is 1 June, 2014.

This programme, funded by the United States Department of State and administered by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES), offers senior faculty members from universities in Africa, including Nigeria, the opportunity to conduct research at U.S. institutions for a minimum of three (3) months and a maximum of nine (9) months. The selection process and final award of grants are extremely competitive.

The Fulbright Scholar Programme provides two types of grants:

1. The Senior Research Programme which enables selected candidates to pursue individual research projects;
2. The Professional Development Programme which allows senior faculty members to spend three (3) to five (5) months at an American university or college to pursue professional interests and consult with colleagues in their field. All applicants are required to specify which of the two grant categories they wish to be considered.

In addition, awards are also available for three (3) to five (5) months activities on programme and curriculum development for HIV/AIDS-related topics. Please note that this programme does not provide an opportunity for lecturing.

The new Fulbright Senior Visiting Scholar online Web application URL is:

<https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/scholars/>. As new users, applicants must create new accounts and are advised to follow the steps for preparing the online application.

Eligibility requirements:

1. An intended applicant must be a citizen of Nigeria or a permanent resident, and should hold a valid passport issued from the country in which the application is made.
2. In addition, an applicant must have at least three (3) years of post-doctoral degree training or teaching experience at the time of application.

We urge all applicants to enlist the help of any Fulbright alumni in the University to assist them with the

application process. If there are questions regarding this programme, applicants should contact Mrs. Chinenye Uwadileke via email at [culturallagos@state.gov](mailto:culturallagos@state.gov)<<mailto:culturallagos@state.gov>>

Thank you.

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