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## Improving Media and Information Literacy

### Award Autogenerated Code

10950-AL

### Region

Europe and Eurasia

### Country

Albania

### Award Type

Fullbright Scholar Award

### Number of Recipients

1

### Teaching or Teaching/Research Award (Assistant Professor or Below) Monthly Stipend and Allowances

\$3,940-\$4,490

### Teaching or Teaching/Research Award (Associate or Full Professor) Monthly Stipend and Allowances

\$4,160-\$4,710

### Estimated Travel and Relocation Allowance

\$3,550-\$8,550, depending on number of dependents

### Estimated Book and Research Allowance

\$750.00 for teaching awards.

### Dependent Tuition Allowance

Reimbursement for dependent education expenses may be available on a limited basis, depending on funding availability and grant duration. Grantees should confirm with IIE that proposed expenses meet eligibility criteria; however, availability of funds may not be known until the end of the academic year.

### Activity Type

Professional Project

Teaching

### Application Deadline

Wednesday, September 15, 2021

### Award Activity

The Scholar is expected to co-teach a course in Media and Information Literacy (MIL) to first year students in the Communication Sciences Bachelor Program, at the University College Beder in Tirana. This course will be taught for the first time at an Albanian university in the academic year 2022-2023. The course aims to analyze the goals and methods of different media industries, to identify the effects that media has on people, to understand the potential benefits and negative effects of content in the media, and to identify techniques to become more informed consumers of information on an individual and societal level. Students will develop the ability to access, analyze, evaluate, and create media in a variety of forms. They will also develop critical skills that will empower them to effectively engage with traditional media and new technologies.

The scholar will also be asked to teach seminar classes related to MIL in the "News Writing and Reporting" course. In addition, the scholar will co-organize and co-teach a faculty development program offering 2-3 workshops on MIL, and an extra-curricular module with students in the departments of English, Islamic Studies, Education. The scholar will also serve on the steering committee for an international scientific conference in Media and Information Literacy organized by the Department of Communication Sciences.

### Award Length

Five months

### Award Dates

October 2022 - February 2023

### Locations

University College Beder, Tirana

Beder University College started its academic activities during the 2011-2012 academic year and operates in compliance with the Albanian Law on Higher Education, offering studies in the first and second level (3+2) according to the Bologna Accord. Beder University College has two faculties, the Humanities and Law faculty and the Technology and Business faculty. It also has three research centers, and publishes the Beder Journal of Humanities, the Beder Journal of Educational Sciences, and the Albanian Journal of Law and Society.

Beder University College has numerous agreements with national and international universities and research centers and has partnered with them in organizing conferences, seminars, research projects, and exchange programs for students and academic staff. These include but are not limited to The White House and State Department university initiative P2P:

Challenging Violent Extremism; JESSUP - Philip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition for law students; Interfaith dialogue - Academic cooperation with Muslim Community of Albania; and Scholas Occurrentes, an initiative aimed at young people in the world integrating public and private school students of all religions.

Beder College University is home to several State Department Exchange alumni.

### **Flex Option**

No

### **Discipline Type**

Applications are sought in all disciplines

### **Disciplines**

Education

Journalism

### **Areas of Interest**

Media and Information Literacy

### **Degree Requirements**

Ph.D. (or other terminal degree) not required

### **Additional Qualification Information**

The applicant is expected to be a professional in media education with minimum five year of education experience.

### **Invitation Requirement**

A letter of invitation is optional.

### **Additional Comments**

For more information, interested applicants can reach out to:

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### **Helpful Links**

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### **Multi-Country/Area Award**

No

### **Award Length Filter**

Three to five months

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### **Award Year**

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### **Language Proficiency Requirements**

None, English is sufficient.

### **Recruitment Priorities (INTERNAL ONLY)**

Although the award is open to all disciplines, candidates with a profile in media education are perceived as a better fit.

### **Career Profile**

Early Career Academics

Professionals

### **Scholars selected for this award will be required to:**

- Advise and/or mentor students
- Assist in faculty, curriculum, and/or program development
- Conduct a professional and/or artistic project

- Teach graduate and/or undergraduate courses designated by the host institution

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