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## University of Massachusetts Boston Office of International and Transnational Affairs (OITA)

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### Faculty Research/Study Abroad Program (for AY 13-14)

#### Goal:

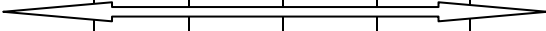


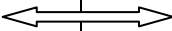
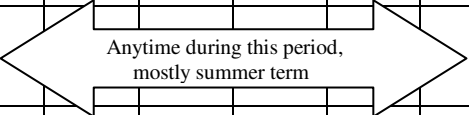
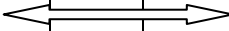


To provide faculty development opportunities for inter/transdisciplinary, transnational, transcultural (I/TTT) teaching, research, and global-urban community engagements that support UMB's mission for the academic affairs.

**Objectives:** (note: a successful proposal could satisfy only one of the objectives listed below.)

1. To facilitate faculty identifying research projects with an articulation of the triad interconnectedness among research inquiry, teaching, and community engagement *with students* in global-urban contexts
2. To provide inquiry-oriented study abroad opportunities to faculty *with students* (one or two) to investigate a self-identified inquiry related to an ethnic group's diasporas and its relationship to the issue of social justice and humanity (This particular objective is to support faculty study abroad, which will serve as a pilot to eventually develop an inquiry-oriented study abroad program/course for both undergraduate and graduate students.)

3. To provide study abroad opportunities to faculty interested in the development of transdisciplinary service learning-oriented study abroad programs/courses for both undergraduate and graduate students in global-urban communities
4. To provide inter/transdisciplinary, transnational, transcultural (I/TTT) research-oriented study abroad opportunities to faculty whose current research focuses may be related but **not limited to** one of the following areas (alphabetical order):
  - ✓ Aging issues of ethnic and racial groups
  - ✓ Community development
  - ✓ Counseling
  - ✓ Educational technology
  - ✓ Ethnic studies
  - ✓ Global ecology
  - ✓ Health disparities
  - ✓ Health sciences
  - ✓ Humanities
  - ✓ Immigration studies
  - ✓ Indigenous arts
  - ✓ International business
  - ✓ International education
  - ✓ International information and technology management
  - ✓ International policy
  - ✓ International relations
  - ✓ Language studies
  - ✓ Life sciences
  - ✓ Training exchanges
  - ✓ other
5. To promote faculty infusing inter/transdisciplinary, transnational, and/or transcultural (I/TTT) aspects into teaching, research, and global-urban community engagement to transform UMB's curriculum practices

### Procedures with timeline:

Month	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Program announcement												
Workshop												
Proposal due												
Proposal review												
Study abroad												
Self-report												
Assessment												
Follow up												

Program announcement: Every year from March 15–August 1, the program will be announced to invite faculty who may be interested in participating in the “Proposal Development Workshop for Faculty Study Abroad Program” for the upcoming academic year. Capacity for the workshop participants: 5, maximum 10.

Workshop (Monthly workshop held Sept.–Dec.): A total of four (4) workshops (2½ hrs for each workshop, totaling 10 hrs.) will help faculty members develop and articulate their own study abroad proposal reflecting upon the program’s five (5) objectives. (A successful proposal could satisfy one of the objectives listed above.) The workshop will be coordinated and provided by OITA and invited guests as needed (e.g., previous UMB faculty study abroad fund recipients, current international visiting scholars, faculty who have had a Fulbright award, representatives from the U. S. Agency for International Development [USAID], representatives from International Research and Exchanges Board [IREX], CTCCS members, OITA advisory board members, etc.). It will be held in the OITA, Campus Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> fl, room 2010 (or room 2115).

#### Workshop Topics/Contents:

- Workshop 1: Program Orientation; Project Articulation in Relation to the Program Objectives  
(Second Friday of September, Sep. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013, 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.)
- Workshop 2: Building Project Rationale; Study Abroad Site Development; Strategies to Connect with Global-Urban Local Communities and its Agencies for the Project; Additional Grant-Seeking Activities  
( see [http://www.umb.edu/oita/entry\\_events/resources\\_events/](http://www.umb.edu/oita/entry_events/resources_events/) )  
(First Friday of October, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013, 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.)
- Workshop 3: Making Connections among Study Abroad, Research Inquiry, Teaching, and Community Engagement WITH Students in Global-Urban Contexts; Individual Faculty Study Abroad Projects vs. Transdisciplinary Faculty Group Study Abroad Projects vs. Faculty’s Study Abroad Project WITH Students  
(First Friday of November, Nov. 1<sup>th</sup>, 2013, 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.)
- Workshop 4: The Proposal; Budget for International Travel, Self-Report; Assessment; Relationship to Continuous Professional Development; Curriculum Implementation  
(First Friday of December, Dec. 6<sup>nd</sup>, 2013, 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.)

Proposal Due: December 31, 5:00 p.m. to the OITA main office. Faculty participants who have completed the total four (4) workshops will be eligible to submit the proposal.

Proposal Review: Coordinated by OITA, selected members from the Committee for Transnational, Cultural, and Community Studies and OITA Advisory Board will review the proposals during January and February and make the final recommendation to the Provost office and the Director of OITA. A successful proposal may be considered to be fully or partially funded depending on the resource availability, budget, and location of the research/study abroad. Those who submit proposals requiring further articulation will be encouraged to resubmit in the following year; in addition, OITA will provide continuous support and follow-up services to facilitate the success of such proposals.

Study Abroad: Depending on the nature of faculty study abroad project, the actual study abroad will occur anytime during March – August, mostly summer term (usually for 2-4 weeks term. If the faculty has an extra or other funding, it may be a longer term). During the study abroad period, the faculty member will be

expected to keep an on-line journal accessible to the campus community via OITA Facebook (go to OITA Website, [<http://www.umb.edu/oita/>], you will find OITA Facebook link under “Programs”).

Self-report: By August 15, all of the faculty who completed the Faculty Study Abroad Program during the academic year should submit a reflective self-report describing how the experience fulfilled the objective(s) she or he originally set for the study abroad in light of the Program Objectives. The self-report must also include sections for “Continuous Professional Development Plan” and “Action Plan for Curriculum Implementation.” If the participant’s study abroad project includes student(s), each student also must produce a reflective self-report.

#### **Expected Outcomes:**

1. Faculty who complete the workshop and research/study abroad program will be able to co-lead the following year’s UMB Faculty Study Abroad Program Workshop in collaboration with OITA.
2. Faculty who complete the workshop and research/study abroad program will be able to practice and demonstrate ways to infuse inter/transdisciplinary, transnational, transcultural (I/TTT) aspects into teaching, research, and global-urban community engagement to transform UMB’s curriculum practices.
3. Faculty who complete the workshop and research/study abroad program will be able to develop and offer a short-term study abroad course based on the experience for the students in his or her academic program.

#### **Assessment:**

One year later, a self-report-oriented survey will be sent to the faculty members who participated in the program to assess the following:

1. As a result of the UMB’s Faculty Study Abroad Program, what new research projects have you articulated and/or published?  
In-progress:  
Under review:  
Accepted:  
In Press:  
Published:
2. How has the UMB Faculty Study Abroad Program affected your teaching?  
Changes in course/program objectives:  
Changes in course/program contents:  
Changes in required readings:  
Changes in additional readings:  
Changes in optional readings:  
Changes in assignments:  
Changes in course/program projects:  
Changes in instructional/pedagogical approaches in class:  
Changes in assessing students’ work:  
Changes in facilitating students’ academic success:  
Changes in the pattern of collaboration with others (interdisciplinary or transdisciplinary collaboration):

3. As a result of the UMB Faculty Study Abroad Program, how do you see yourself transforming both inside and outside campus community engagement and your contribution to the community?

**Follow up:**

1. OITA will provide individual support and guides for each faculty member's continuous professional development in global contexts and inter/transdisciplinary, transnational, transcultural (I/TTT) curriculum implementation.
2. Faculty who completed the workshop and study abroad program will be regularly invited to the UMB Faculty Research/Study Abroad Program Workshops to share their updates (challenges, successful stories, etc.) on research, teaching, and community engagement activities in light of inter/transdisciplinary, transnational, transcultural (I/TTT) contexts.
3. A faculty member who has submitted a research/study abroad proposal requiring further articulation will be encouraged to resubmit the proposal in the following year. OITA will provide continuous individual support to facilitate the success of the proposal.

**Deadline:** August 25, 2013. 12:00 Noon.

Faculty who may be interested in the Faculty Study Abroad Program, fill out the application form ( see Appendix 1, Application for Proposal Development Workshop for Faculty Study Abroad) and submit it to OITA main office, Coretta A. Bates (Coretta.Bates@umb.edu), Office Administrator, desk # 2100-02, 2<sup>nd</sup> fl, Campus Center. Phone: 617-287-7560. Electronic submission (PDF attachment) is encouraged.

**Eligible faculty** for the application: Tenured and Tenure Track Faculty

If you have any questions re. the program, contact:

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## Appendix 1

### Application: Proposal Development Workshop for the Faculty Research/Study Abroad

(Note: as a result of the workshop and depending on the quality of the final proposal, each research/study abroad project may be funded up to \$5,000. Four (4) to Six (6) projects may be awarded for AY 2013-2014.

If you have received an OITA fund the last academic year, you may not be eligible for the current year funding.

*I would like to participate in the Faculty Research/Study Abroad Program Workshop for AY 2013-2014.*

Faculty name:

Rank:

Department:

College:

Rationale for Study/Research Abroad:

Objective(s):

Country/region/city/site for the study abroad:

Check one of the followings:

- With one or two students: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Undergraduate Student \_\_\_\_ ; Graduate Student \_\_\_\_
- With other UMB faculty: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of the faculty collaborator/academic department info:
- Oneself: \_\_\_\_\_

Other available funding (if applicable):

Endorsement by the department chair: *Signature* \_\_\_\_\_

Endorsement by the dean: *Signature* \_\_\_\_\_

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**Note:** Depending on budget of the study abroad plan, airline expenses could be the individual's responsibility, funded by an affiliated academic unit (department, college, center, or institute), or through other individual funding sources.

**Any question?**

Contact Dr. Eunsook Hyun (eunsook.hyun@umb.edu), Professor & Associate Provost, OITA, 617-287-7560.

**Deadline:** August 25, 2013, 12:00 Noon. Please submit your application to Coretta Bates, OITA Business Manager ([Coretta.Bates@umb.edu](mailto:Coretta.Bates@umb.edu)), in the OITA main office. The office is located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Campus Center in room 2100 (desk # 2100-03). Phone: 617-287-7560. Electronic application is preferred.