

# For US and Austrian High School Level History Teachers: Announcing an extraordinary study and travel opportunity in <u>Austria</u> October 24-November 1, 2009

### A Visionary Adventure across Continents: George C. Marshall and the European Recovery Program in Austria

The George C. Marshall International Center at Dodona Manor in Leesburg, Virginia in collaboration with the Austria Wirtschaftsservice (AWS), the Bundesministerium für Unterricht, Kunst und Kultur and the Department of History Didactics at the University of Vienna is pleased to announce the first *international* Marshall Immersion Workshop, open to 9 US and 9 Austrian high school teachers.

The workshop convenes at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 24, 2009 in Salzburg, Austria and concludes on Sunday, November 1 in Vienna.

Attendees will interact with Austrian experts on the European Recovery Program, better known as the Marshall Plan, and will visit sites within Austria that were recipients of that plan. Further, teachers will be introduced to video and primary document material that will enrich their understanding of the unique role played by George C. Marshall in the development of this visionary post-war program. Finally, teachers will hear about the work of the Austrian ERP Fonds, still sustained from the growth of funds from the original Marshall Plan, and still at work today providing economic opportunities in modern Austria.

#### The following will be provided for participants:

#### For Austrian participants:

- Motor Coach transportation for all participants during the workshop days, October 24-November 1
- Meals (with the exception of 1 dinner and one free day for personal activities)
- Private-room lodging (8 nights with breakfasts included)
- Teaching materials related to the Marshall Plan
- transportation back to Salzburg from Vienna on Sunday, November 1 (if required).

#### Requirements

Applicants must meet the following requirements and agree to the conditions stated:

- Anticipate remaining in the classroom at least through the 2015-16 year.
- Teach secondary level classes in one or more of following academic areas:

20<sup>th</sup> century European and/or American history; special courses covering post World War II European history;

20<sup>th</sup> century government and/or economics with a unit on the Marshall Plan;

German language instruction in the US that includes units on post World War II European history.

- Submit a two-page essay explaining why they believe the workshop will be beneficial to their respective teaching situations—see guidelines on the next page. (may be in German language)
- Have a letter of recommendation from a supervisor or principal, sent as a PDF or FAX, or regular mail—see specific instructions on next page;
- Have approval from an appropriate school authority for classroom leave for the duration of workshop, sent as a PDF, FAX, or regular mail;
- Prior to workshop read a limited selection of materials that will provide the necessary background information and foundation for the workshop content.
- Following the workshop, write <u>one</u> well developed lesson using materials gathered during the workshop experience, <u>or</u> submit a follow-up paper describing how aspects of the workshop experience might be incorporated into classroom instruction.
- Where possible, continue the dialogue established during the workshop with direct contact between participating teachers and their students through e-mail, videoconferencing, and other communication methods.

In the selection of participants, program directors will strive to achieve a demographic and geographic balance. **Please note:** The pacing of the workshop schedule is demanding and some venues do not offer handicap access.

## Apply today by returning all parts of the application no later than Monday 5 October Applicants selected for the workshop will be notified by e-mail no later than Monday, 12 October

To learn more about the workshop itinerary, visit The George C. Marshall International Center website at <a href="www.georgecmarshall.org">www.georgecmarshall.org</a>. or the website of the Fachdidaktikzentrum Geschichte, Sozialkunde und Politische Bildung, Universität Wien at <a href="www.geschichtsdidaktik.eu">www.geschichtsdidaktik.eu</a>
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Application		
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School:		
School Address:		
Home Address:		
School Phone:	(Home)	
E-mail: School	(Home)	

As a <u>separate file attachment</u>, please provide a 500 word (2 page) essay describing your current teaching assignments, your reason for wanting to attend the workshop, and how you believe both you and ultimately your students will benefit from your participation. Please feel free to include any other information regarding your professional life that might make you a particularly strong candidate for this collegial experience. This essay will be helpful to us as we assess which applicants will find the workshop most useful to their respective teaching situations.

(Please put at asterisk\* at the e-mail address you prefer.)

Return this application, subject line "Austrian Workshop," along with required support letters no later than Monday, 5 October

The supervisor's letter of recommendation, and a short letter from your principal authorizing you to attend the workshop should be sent via FAX, <u>PDF file</u> via e-mail, or regular mail, but all must arrive by Monday 5 October.

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#### **For Austrian Candidates:**

Send your application electronically to

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