

## Study of the United States Institutes (SUSI) For Scholars Winter 2017

**Application Deadline: October 6, 2016** 

The U.S. Embassy in Algiers invites Algerian professors who are teaching or researching U.S. foreign policy to apply to participate in the SUSI for Scholars on U.S. National Security Policymaking. This institute will provide a group of 18 scholars from around the world with an opportunity to deepen their understanding of the foundations of U.S. national security policy and current threats facing the United States. The institute focuses on the formulation of U.S. foreign and national security policy and the role of the federal government, think-tanks, media, and public opinion in shaping that policy. The Institute will be hosted by the University of Delaware in Newark, Delaware, from January 5 to February 17, 2017.

The program will examine the question of how we discern U.S. national security policy continuities and changes that shape the policies and conduct of presidential administrations. Against the backdrop of the 2016 presidential elections, the Institute will encourage intellectual engagement, reflection, and interaction with U.S.-based experts to deepen scholar knowledge of the foundations and formulation of U.S. national security policy. The program will focus on four interconnected modules; 1) The U.S. view of the world and its place in the global system; 2) Terrorism and national security in the U.S. and abroad; 3) U.S. immigration and refugee policies and 4) The search for the right balance between unilateralism and multilateralism in U.S. national security policy. Each week, scholars will participate in academic sessions, roundtable discussions with U.S. national security experts, and conversations with the broader Newark, Delaware community on key thematic topics. The Institute participants will also travel to San Antonio and Austin, Texas, as well as New York City, Washington D.C., and other regional locales.

## **Selection Criteria**

Priority will be given to candidates who:

- are motivated, mid-career professionals (typically 30-50 years old) from higher-education institutions or research-focused organizations;
- have a graduate degree (master's or Ph.D.) and substantial knowledge of the thematic area of the Institute or a related field;
- have firm plans to enhance, update or develop courses and/or educational materials with a U.S. studies focus or component;
- have no prior or limited experience in the United States;
- have special interest in the program subject areas as demonstrated through past scholarship, accomplishments, and professional duties;

• can speak, read, and write English fluently enough to handle substantial reading assignments and to understand and actively participate in seminars and discussions.

The Institute is intensive academic program; no time will be allotted for personal travel or pursuits unrelated to the program. Because the scholarship is unique opportunity and limited to one Algerian nominee, the chosen participant is expected to participate fully in the program; s/he must attend all lectures and organized activities and complete assigned readings. Family members and/or friends may not accompany the participant on any part of the program. The Institute is not a research program. Please note that Institute curriculum will not formally address teaching methodology and pedagogical methods.

## **How to Apply**

The deadline to submit applications is: October 6, 2016. Please use the application form attached to this document. Interested candidates may contact *Lamia Lachtar* in the U.S. Embassy Algiers Public Affairs Section for further information at: <u>LachtarL@state.gov</u>.Only non-U.S. citizens may apply.