

Cultural Immersion Opportunity in India for Summer 2012

Norfolk State University's Intelligence Community Center for Academic Excellence (NSU-ICCA) is a member of the newly formed Mid-Atlantic Consortium for Academic Excellence (MAC-CAE) (see <http://www.msu.edu/academics/maccae> for more information about the consortium). The NSU IC-CAE is accepting applications for a summer cultural immersion program (May 19-July 12, 2012) in Jaipur, India offered as a member of the MAC-CAE.

Applicants interested in applying to this summer program will be expected to devote a minimum of 50 hours to community service during the eight week program including planned field trips. In addition, as a part of the capstone project, students must enroll in CED 250 and are expected to develop a 25 page paper of publication quality manuscript on one of the following approved topics: 1) Micro-finance and rural development in India; 2) Hindi Art, Language and Religion; 3) biosensors and Global Environmental Air Quality; 4) Technology Infusion into Indian Education and culture; and 5) Feasibility study of using solar energy for rural electrification in India.

The application deadline for this program is February 1, 2012. All interested students must be a US citizen and submit the following to Dr. Camellia Moses Okpodu at icca@nsu.edu: 1) the NSU IC-CAE Scholars application (<http://www.nsu.edu/iccae>); 2) a copy of their transcript (unofficial transcript accepted for NSU students only); 3) a one page statement of interest that discusses their interest in studying Hindi and its importance in global and contemporary affairs (www.odi.gov); and, 4) a copy of the front page of a valid US Passport.

After initial screening, students will be schedule for an interview with Dr. Okpodu and other members of the IC-CAE Program. In order to be selected for an interview, students must have a demonstrated interest in the Intelligence Community and meet all the GPA eligibility requirements to be considered an NSU IC-CAE Scholar (see www.nsu.edu/iccae). If selected participants will receive all costs for lodging, food and Hindi study program. Also students will have an option to receive additional 6 hours of academic credit for the Hindi language and culture. Please contact the office at 757-823-0962 or icca@nsu.edu if you have questions.