

PART 1100—NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY: LITERACY LEADER FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

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§ 1100.1 What is the Literacy Leader Fellowship Program?

(a) Under the Literacy Leader Fellowship Program, the Director of the National Institute for Literacy provides financial assistance to outstanding individuals who are pursuing

careers in adult education, adult literacy or the adult components of family literacy, as defined in sections 1202(e)(3) (A), (B), and (C) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (20 USC 6362(e)(3) (A), (B), and (C)).

(b) Fellowships are awarded to these individuals for the purpose of carrying out short-term, innovative projects that contribute to the knowledge base of the adult education or adult or family literacy field.

(c) Fellowships are intended to benefit the fellow, the Institute, and the national literacy field by providing the fellow with the opportunity to interact with national leaders in the field and make contributions to federal policy initiatives that promote a fully literate adult population.

§ 1100.2 Who is eligible for a fellowship?

(a) Only individuals are eligible to be recipients of fellowships.

(b) To be eligible for a fellowship under this program, an individual must be—

(1) A citizen or national of the United States, or a permanent resident of the United States, or an individual who is in the United States for other than temporary purposes and intends to become a permanent resident;

(2) Eligible for Federal assistance under the terms of 34 CFR 75.60 and 75.61; and

(3) Either an adult or family literacy worker or an adult learner as defined in § 1105.5.

(c) An individual who has received a fellowship award in a prior year is not eligible for another award.

(d) Several individuals may apply jointly for one award, if each individual will contribute significantly to the proposed project and if the proposed project will develop leadership for each individual.

§ 1100.3 What type of project may a fellow conduct under this program?

(a) Under the auspices of the Institute, and in accordance with the Fellowship Agreement, a Literacy Leader Fellow may use a fellowship awarded under this part to engage in research,

education, training, technical assistance, or other activities that advance the field of adult education, adult or family literacy, including the training of volunteer literacy providers at the national, State, or local level.

(b) a Literacy Leader Fellow may not use a fellowship awarded under this part for any of the following:

(1) Tuition and fees for continuing the education of the applicant where this is the sole or primary purpose of the project.

(2) Planning and implementing fund-raisers

(3) General program operations and administration.

(4) Activities that otherwise do not meet the purposes of the Literacy Leader Fellowship program, as described in paragraph (a) of this section.

§ 1100.4 What regulations apply?

This program is governed by the regulations in this part and the following additional regulations:

34 CFR 74.36, Intangible property;

34 CFR 74.61, Termination

34 CFR 75.60, Individuals ineligible to receive assistance

34 CFR 75.61, Certification of eligibility

34 CFR part 85, Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants).

§ 1100.5 What definitions apply?

(a) The definitions in 34 CFR 77.1, except that the definitions of “Applicant”; “Application”; “Award”; and “Project” do not apply to this part.

(b) Other definitions. The following definitions also apply to this part:

Adult learner means an individual over 16 years old who is pursuing or has completed some form of literacy or basic skills training, including preparation for the G.E.D.

Applicant means an individual (or more than one individual, if applying jointly) requesting a fellowship under this program.

Application means a written request for a fellowship under this program.

Award means an amount of funds provided for fellowship activities.

Board means the National Institute for Literacy’s Advisory Board established pursuant to section 242(e) of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (20 U.S.C. 9252(e)).

Director means the Director of the National Institute for Literacy.

Family literacy, for purposes of the Literacy Leader Fellowship Program, means any of the adult components of family literacy, as defined in sections 1202(e)(3)(A), (B), and (C) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (20 U.S.C. 6362(e)(3)(A), (B), and (C)), including interactive literacy activities between parents and their children, training for parents regarding how to be the primary teacher for their children and full partners in the education of their children, or parent literacy training that leads to economic self-sufficiency.

Fellow means a recipient of a fellowship.

Fellowship means an award of financial assistance made by the Institute to an individual pursuant to section 242(d) of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (20 U.S.C. 9252(d)) to enable that individual to conduct research or other authorized literacy activities under the auspices of the Institute.

Fellowship Agreement means a written agreement entered into between the Institute and a fellow, which, when executed, has the legal effect of obligating the fellowship award, and which states the rights and obligations of the parties.

Institute means the National Institute for Literacy.

Literacy worker means an individual who is pursuing a career in adult literacy or family literacy (as defined above) or a related field and who has a minimum of five years of relevant academic, volunteer or professional experience in the adult literacy, family literacy, adult education, or related field. Relevant experience includes teaching, policymaking, administration, or research.

Project means the work to be engaged in by the fellow during the period of the fellowship.

Research means one or more of the following activities in literacy or education or education related fields: basic