

Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship

Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship identifying and developing the best minds for the nation's most important challenges

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Dear Colleague:

Earlier this year, the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation announced the recipients of its first-ever Woodrow Wilson Indiana Teaching Fellowships. The 59 new Fellows began work this summer on master's degrees to prepare for math and science teaching positions in the state's high-need urban and rural schools. I write to invite you to assist us in reaching potential candidates with information about the next class of Fellows.

The award provides Fellows in science, technology, engineering, and math fields with a \$30,000 stipend during a master's degree program at one of four Indiana universities. In exchange, Fellows will commit to teach math or science for three years in a high-need Indiana secondary school. Upon completing the master's degree and teaching certification, Fellows will be placed in teaching jobs in participating districts, where they will receive continued support and mentoring. More details about the program are available at www.woodrow.org/indiana.

We invite you to help us identify promising candidates by forwarding this letter to colleagues and other organizations or networks that might reach people contemplating a career change; posting this Fellowship information on the Internet where career changers are most likely to see it; and including Fellowship information in e-newsletters and other communications with your networks.

Competitive candidates will meet the following standards:

- They will have completed a math, science, or engineering major as undergraduates and/or have a strong professional background in a related field.
- They demonstrate a commitment to the program and its goals.
- They are willing to reside in Indiana while completing their master's degree and three-year teaching commitment.

The Fellowship application is currently available online, with an early submission deadline of October 12, 2009 and a final deadline of January 12, 2010.

Your help in getting this information out to high-caliber career changers, who have the potential to become a new breed of high school teachers, can have an enormous impact on their lives and the future of Indiana. Thank you, in advance, for assisting us. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dana DiLullo, Program Associate, Teaching Fellowships, 609-452-7007 x 141 or WWTeachingFellowships@woodrow.org.

Sincerely,

Arthur Levine President Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation