Please also submit the following:

Employment Certification Letter from Principal:

Your application will not be complete without a letter from principal stating that you are employed in a regular and on-going position. This letter can be included or sent separately.

Personal Statement:

Applicant must submit a personal statement of about 250 words explaining why you wish to attend, and how you plan to incorporate Institute information into the courses you teach. Please attach essay to application.



Credit:

Three hours of *free* graduate credit (History 930: World Religions) will be offered for participation in the Institute. Credit will be arranged through the WVU Office of Extended Learning. Professional development graduate credit is offered, which can be used for re-certification and salary increments, but cannot be used as credit toward a graduate degree program.

Eligibility:

Social studies teachers, as well as teachers of other subjects, who indicate **how** they will utilize the Institute material in class, are eligible to apply.

Selection of Participants:

The personal statements will be taken into consideration during the applicant selection process. Relevance of the program to the applicant's teaching responsibilities will also be a consideration.

Space is available for up to 40 teachers.

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What Will Teachers Receive?

- Three hours professional development graduate credit through WVU [See Credit information on panel at left]
- ♦ Tuition-fee waivers for Credit
- Free double-occupancy lodging and meals at Canaan Valley Resort
- Weekend trip to Washington, DC with motor coach transportation, double-occupancy lodging, and breakfasts
- Teaching resource materials and texts

What are Costs to the Teachers?

- \$10 application fee to WVU Office of Extended Learning for one-time admission to receive professional development graduate credit, if not previously admitted to a WVU graduate program.
- Cost of transportation to/from home to Canaan Valley Resort
- ♦ Lunches and dinner in Washington DC
- ◆ Recreational amenities at Canaan Valley Resort, such as golf, horseback riding, etc.

Final Course Requirement

Teaching units with detailed lesson plans for 5-7 class periods will be due to the FACDIS office six weeks after the Summer Institute concludes.

University Admission Procedures:

After teachers have been accepted to the Summer Institute, they will be informed of the University admission (or reactivation) procedures by the WVU Office of Extended Learning. Teachers needing to be admitted will be responsible for the application fee for graduate admission.

Application:

Please complete and detach the form at left and submit, with essay, by April 15th to Ann Levine in FACDIS office at WVU by mail or fax (see address on form). A letter of employment certification should be provided to accompany application.

For additional application forms, please photocopy and circulate to others

For information on FACDIS, or to view more information about the Summer Institute, go to: http://www.polsci.wvu.edu/facdis

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Canaan Valley Resort and Conference Center A West Virginia State Park

July 27 - August 3, 2003

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The West Virginia Consortium for Faculty and Course Development in International Studies (FACDIS) is sponsoring, for the 15th summer, a Summer Institute for Teachers on an international topic. FACDIS is devoted to improving international education in West Virginia, and furthers its mission by providing professional development opportunities for our state's teachers. Funding is from the State Legislature to FACDIS for the summer international study program.

Canaan Valley Resort & Conference Center

Perched on the edge of the Monongahela National Forest, 3,200 feet above sea level, Canaan Valley Resort and Conference Center boasts over 6,000 acres of woodlands, meadows, hills, and streams, plus a nearby federal wildlife refuge. In addition to the outdoor pool and indoor exercise facility, plus extensive opportunities for hiking and biking, the resort offers (at extra charge) golf, tennis, and horseback riding. Located in Tucker County, between Davis and Harman, WV, on Route 32. Information: www.canaanresort.com

Weekend in Washington, DC

In addition to five days of instruction, a high point of the Institute experience will include a weekend trip to Washington, DC. The group will leave from Canaan Valley Resort by bus on Friday for a two-night trip to Washington, DC. Motor coach transportation, double-occupancy lodging, breakfasts, and various educational activities are included (other meals extra). The group will return Sunday evening, August 3, and can depart for home from Canaan Valley.

Religion and the World

July 27-August 3, 2003 Canaan Valley Resort & Conference Center & two days in Washington DC

This week-long Institute for pre-collegiate teachers is being offered to expand teachers' knowledge and understanding of world religions. The Institute is designed primarily for middle school and high school teachers who wish to incorporate knowledge about world religions into a wide range of curricula.

Religious beliefs and institutions continue to demonstrate their power in shaping the course of history. Today as in the past, religion acts in ways that both heal and wound, divide and unite, clarify and confuse. The Canaan Valley "Religion and the World Program" discusses dimensions of religion that should be particularly useful to teachers who are interested in understanding and teaching about the multiple influences that world religions have on the human experience.

The program has four parts:

- Part 1 introduces the field of religious studies, with an emphasis on the problems, questions, and methods that are most useful in understanding religion.
- Part II surveys the main religions of the world, concentrating on Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Confucianism, and Shintoism; it more briefly gives attention to several other religious traditions that have had historical and modern influences.
- Part III analyzes several topics and problems associated with religion, including discussions of sacred places, pilgrimages, politics, and peace and social justice issues.
- ♦ Part IV includes visits to important religious sites in the Washington, DC area.

As a result of the program, participants should have a much firmer understanding of the fundamental characteristics of the major world religions, and their influence on the past and the present.

Instructional Staff

Lead instructors are historians John C. Super and Briane K. Turley.

John C. Super, PhD, Professor of History at West Virginia University, has led three previous FACDIS Summer Institutes, and was instrumental in planning last summer's program on the 2002 International Year of the Mountains. For over twenty-five years, Dr. Super has conducted research in Latin America, Spain, and Canada, and has taught Latin American and North American History at WVU. He is the author of numerous publications on the history of the Americas, several of them on religion, and is currently co-writing a book, Religion in World History, under contract with the publisher, Routledge. Vitally interested in opportunities to improve teaching, he led FACDIS Summer Institutes on "Latin America" in 1991, "North America" in 1999, and led a summer travel program for twenty teachers to Mexico in 2000. In 1997 he received a Fulbright Fellowship to teach and do research in Morocco. In the spring of 2002, he continued his research and writing on religion as a Visiting Research Professor at the University of Montreal.

Briane K. Turley, PhD received his doctorate from the University of Virginia in modern religious history. He has published several books and numerous articles on religious history, is founder and editor of the *Journal of Southern Religion*, and is coauthor, with Dr. Super, of the forthcoming text, *Religion in World History*. He taught courses in history and religion at West Virginia University from 1992-2000. In 2001-2002 he held a Fulbright Lectureship at the University of Szeged in Budapest, Hungary. He is an experienced curriculum developer and has also designed and implemented several noteworthy religion web sites.

Other faculty guest lecturers include: Vicki Phillips (Religion), WV Wesleyan College; Majed Khader (Religion), Marshall University; Aaron Gale (Religion), WVU; Charles DiSalvo (Law), WVU; Jon Reed (Education), WVU; and FACDIS Director, Jack Hammersmith (History), WVU.

FACDIS International Studies Summer Institutes for Teachers APPLICATION FORM Application deadline: April 15

Please complete this application, detach, and mail or FAX together with supporting statement/essay no later than April 15th, 2003 to:

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