

Title VI and Internationalization Challenges

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# U.S. Department of Education Goals for Higher Education

- Produce a higher percentage of college graduates than any other country in the world by the end of the next decade.
- Increase Pell Grants
- Support community colleges to increase access, quality, and student achievement, using best practices and evidence-based innovations.

# International Education Programs Service (IEPS)

- Improve U.S. capacity for teaching and learning foreign languages, area studies and international studies
- I0 Title VI programs and 4 Fulbright-Hays programs with annual budget of approximately \$125 million

# Challenges for Title VI Mission: Overall Context

- Effects of Recession on IHE's
  - Endowment decreases and state budget cuts
  - Institutional ability to cost-share fellowships, instructors, faculty lines
- K-12 Foreign Language Pipeline (Title VI funded ACTFL and CAL studies)
  - Overall decrease for Elementary, Middle School. Increases in Chinese and Arabic language teaching, drop off in French, German, Russian and Japanese.

# Challenges for Title VI Mission

- Wide Range of National Needs for Foreign Language and Area Expertise
  - Completed Interagency consultations on national need for languages and area expertise
  - In FY 2009 introduced priority language list of 78 LCTL's that includes sub-Saharan Africa, Indonesia, Southeast Asia in line with global engagement priorities



Middle East	Africa	South Asia	East Asia / SE Asia	E. Eur Russia	Central Asia	Latin Am.
Arabic	Akan	Balochi	Burmese	Albanian	Kazakh	Portuguese
Berber	Amharic	Bengali	Cebuano	Armenian	Kirghiz	Quechua
Hebrew	Bamankan	Dari	Chinese (5 dialects)	Azeri	Tajik	
Kurdish (2 dialects)	Dinka	Gujarati	Indonesian	Belarusian	Turkmen	
Persian	Hausa	Hindi	Japanese	Bosnian	Uzbek	
Turkish	Igbo	Kannada	Javanese	Bulgarian		
	Oromo	Kashmiri	Khmer	Chechen		
	Somali	Malayalam	Korean	Croatian		
	Swahili	Marathi	Lao	Georgian		
	Tigrigna	Nepali	Malay	Polish		
	Wolof	Panjabi	Mongolian	Romanian		
	Xhosa	Pashto	Tagalog	Russian		
	Yoruba	Sinhala	Thai	Serbian		
	Zulu	Tamil	Tibetan	Ukrainian		
		Telugu	Uyghur			
		Urdu	Vietnamese			



## Departmental Initiatives

Cairo Initiative: Helping U.S. to Reach Out to Muslim World

Expanding Access: Reaching out to Diverse Populations Scope of NRC and FLAS Programs (FY 2008 funds)

• NRC's offered courses in 122 languages

- Title VI provided funding for over 800 area studies courses at NRCs
- FLAS fellowships supported study of 113 languages with FY 2008 support
- 1041 Academic Year Fellowships, 958 Summer Fellowships

# Leading FLAS Summer Study Destinations (FY 2008)

Country	Summer Fellowships	Country	Summer Fellowships
China	42	Morocco	22
Japan	42	Egypt	20
India	41	Turkey	17
Brazil	40	Syria	16
Russia	39	Taiwan	16
Mexico	35	Indonesia	10
Sub-Saharan Africa (combined)	29		

#### Top 10 Languages for IRS Instructional Materials Projects (FY 2005-2009)

Language	Number of Projects
Arabic	20
Chinese	17
Russian	9
Japanese	9
Thai	5
Turkish	4
Persian	4
Swahili	4
Korean	3
Uzbek	3



# NRC and FLAS Funding Trend

	FY 2009		FY 2011 (Request)
National Resource Centers	\$32,583,000	\$34,041,000	\$34,041,000
FLAS Fellowships	\$33,097,000	\$35,400,000	\$35,400,000

# NRC Program Challenges / Opportunities

- Maintain and develop U.S. capacity in wide range of foreign language and area studies training
- Ever wider scope of activities and outreach
- New activity this cycle: Advanced Foreign Language for STEM students

# FLAS Program Challenges / Opportunities

- New: Undergraduate Eligibility
- Tuition Increases (Institutional Payment for Graduate Students up from \$12,000 to \$18,000)
- Increased Demands for Accountability and Performance Results
  - FLAS Biennial Survey and Instructor Language Assessments (new)



# Addressing the Challenges

IEPS is addressing these challenges by integrating priorities into this round of Title VI competitions

IEPS grantees already make strong contributions in many of these areas



# Title VI Competitions in FY 2010

- Center programs on a 4-year grant cycle have their competitions this year:
  - National Resource Centers
  - Foreign Language and Area Studies
  - Centers for International Business Education
  - Language Resource Centers

Priorities for FY 2010-2013 Competition Cycle: NRC

- Teacher Training at all levels (Includes K-12 Outreach)
- Global Engagement Initiative: Linkages with institutions in areas with substantial Muslim Population

Collaborative Activities with Community Colleges and MSI's to promote internationalization Priorities for FY 2010-2013 Competition Cycle: NRC

Collaborative Activities with Professional Schools to strengthen international components in those schools

Coordination with other Title VI centers

Priorities for FY 2010-2013 Competition Cycle: FLAS

 Awarding Fellowships for study in the 78 priority languages listed

Improved recruitment for advanced level language study by students in professional fields

# Making the Case: Why so Many LCTLs?

- Higher Ed is broadest source for training teachers and practitioners with combination of foreign language, area, and professional expertise
- Broad Global Engagement Strategy
- Global Competitiveness
- Development, Finance and Health Fields



### **LCTL Instructors**

#### HEOA: Specifically emphasized support for LCTL instructors

On site visits: have consistently noted need for stable positions for Senior Lecturers or Professors of the Practice for stability of language offerings



# Distance Learning

DL should be performance based instruction with real time interaction and student support

#### Cooperative efforts on DL for LCTLs

- CIC CourseShare LCTLS include: Hindi, Japanese, Pashto, Uzbek, Kazakh, Bamana, Mongolian, Wolof (and expanding)
- UC cooperation on Indonesian, Zulu, Khmer, Czech, Danish
- Columbia, Chicago and Yale working with other partners on Nahuatl (DL linked with Study Abroad)

# Heritage Communities

- Heritage communities correspond to high priority language needs
- UCLA National Heritage Language Resource Center
  - Sponsoring 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Heritage Language Learning
  - Sessions on Spanish, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese, Russian, Arabic, Hindi-Urdu



# Community Colleges

Increases in federal support.

Potentially growing student population.

Area to Consider: Articulation agreements to bring transfer students into international programs.

# **Professional Studies: Challenges** for Title VI

#### IEPS priority on improving FLAS recruitment for advanced language

# Professional School FLAS Awards (FY 2008)

Professional Field	# of FLAS Institutions Granting Awards (out of 44 total institutions)
Health	16
Education	16
Law	12
Ecological Sciences	11
Business	9

# NRC work with Professional Schools

- Duke Global Health Institute (MS in Global Health)
  - Exploring Medicine in Other Cultures: Clinical work in Honduras plus training in Medical Spanish
  - 10<sup>th</sup> year (see YouTube video) <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5ErAEkKQiVM</u>
- IU Bloomington East Asia NRC Work with Education School and Indiana DOE on Chinese language pipeline in Indiana
  - Clarified certification requirements for Chinese language instructors working with Indiana DOE
  - Established Bloomington's first Chinese language secondary school program at New Tech High School

### Area Studies: Social Sciences

- Wave of retirements still coming
- Title VI able to seed or leverage positions in cooperation with social science departments
- Need more dialogue to increase connections between area studies and social studies fields other than History and Anthropology (Title VI funded SSRC study)

# FLAS Leading Disciplines FY 2008

Discipline	Fellowships
Area Studies	458
Foreign Language / Linguistics / Literature	283
History	227
Anthropology	206
Political Science	106
International Studies	82
Religion	57



# DDRA by Discipline FY 2009

Discipline	Fellows
History	45
Anthropology	43
Arts	15
Language / Literature/ Linguistics	10
Area Studies	9
Political Science	7
Religion	7
Geography	5
Sociology	2
Education	2



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