

International Center for Tolerance Education (ICTE)

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International Guest Program for Scholars and Practitioners in the field of Tolerance Education

General information

The Third Millennium Foundation (TMF) is a private foundation located in New York City. The Foundation was founded in the year 2000 as an initiative for unlearning intolerance in the new millennium. TMF's work is focused on human rights and tolerance education with emphasis on supporting social entrepreneurs among global youth. The foundation is particularly interested in supporting innovative organizations and young leaders that develop new approaches and methodologies that are based on collaboration and have strong potential for replication around the world.

In 2004, TMF launched the **International Center for Tolerance Education (ICTE)** as a field builder in tolerance education. The primary activity is to convene and facilitate among stakeholders like educators, researchers, activists and policymakers with a particular emphasis on bringing research and best practices together. The three institutionalized programs are the International Guest Program, the Human Rights Summer Institute and the Scholar in Residence Program. The Center also hosts photography exhibitions, local and international events and conferences, and shares office space with non-profit organizations in order to increase dialogue on relevant topics. Through these initiatives, ICTE seeks to be a vibrant place within the social justice community and beyond, providing a much-needed forum for experimentation and discussion among advocates, scholars, educators, and activists across disciplines and regions and to inject an entrepreneurial spirit into human rights work and education for tolerance and peace.

Program Description

Each year, the **International Guest Program** welcomes human rights leaders, action researchers, health workers and educators primarily from the Global South. These guests come for a three-month residency to work on a project that focuses on how schools and other settings for children educate them to respect diversity and promote tolerance and social justice. ICTE provides its guests with professional mentorship, technical assistance, opportunities to work in schools and other youth settings. ICTE works together with New York universities such as Columbia University, international organizations such as Human Rights Watch and UN organizations as well as schools serving children with strong values related to tolerance education.

Ideal candidates are proven, self motivated professionals preferably, but not exclusively from the Global South and countries in the transitional world who would like to accomplish a specific

project, conduct action research in tolerance education, engage in networking, and further develop their skills to reflect on their practice. Eligible candidates must have strong speaking, comprehension and writing skills in English. Participants are selected on the basis of their previous work experience, commitment to tolerance education and the human rights / social change field, and proposed work goals for their stay at ICTE.

International Guests (IGs) will be paid for travel, awarded accommodation in Brooklyn, New York, fully equipped office space at ICTE for 3 months as well as a weekly stipend to cover basic needs.

This award offers individuals the following support:

- Networking with individuals and organizations i.e., UN Agencies, NGOs, non-profits, foundations, government agencies, schools for children and academia working in the fields of human rights and tolerance education. Efforts are also made to connect IGs to partners in their respective regions;
- Professional mentorship by ICTE staff;
- Continuing education with universities in New York;
- Participation in conferences and trainings offered at ICTE and, where relevant, around the US and;
- Opportunity to present work to ICTE community in the form of a workshop, presentation and/ or paper.

Application Information

- Personal information: name, coordinates, gender , languages (including native tongue)
- Preferred time of your stay
- Curriculum vitae
- 2 letters of recommendation (incl. contact information) from people with good knowledge of your work (organizations you have worked with, professors, teachers, supervisors, etc.)

Responses to the following questions with a length of **1-2 paragraphs per response**:

- Background information about your work, including major achievements
- What is the central problem you address in your work?
- What are your main goals for your stay through the International Guest Program?
- What are some of the concrete outcomes you hope to foster from your stay here and how would your organization or community benefit from this experience?
- How would becoming a participant in the International Guest Program support your professional development and the work you do?
- Please also let us know how you heard about the Program.

If selected, candidates will be asked to submit a more detailed proposal of their intended plan of action during their stay with ICTE.

The application submission deadline is **Monday, January 21st, 2008**. Applicants may be asked to submit additional materials. Award notifications will be made by the end of March 2008.

How to Apply

Interested candidates should email or mail a complete application to:

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No phone calls please. **Only selected candidates will be contacted.**