2020-2021 Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Short-Term Program (Fulbright DAST)

DAST Cycle II Project: Introducing Modern EFL Teaching Approaches at Vietnamese High School to Develop Students’ 21st Century Skills

I. PROJECT OVERVIEW
City, Country: Ha Long City, Quang Ninh Province, Vietnam
Project Dates: March 1 – March 24, 2021
Project Length: 3-4 weeks
Summary: A U.S. secondary school EFL educator/teacher trainer will travel to a gifted and talented high school in Vietnam to provide EFL educators with modern EFL teaching methods and equip them with pedagogical approaches to equip students with 21st century skills.

II. HOST INSTITUTION INFORMATION
Name / Department: Ha Long High School for Gifted Students / Foreign Languages Department
Type: Secondary school
Website: http://chuyenhalong.edu.vn/
About: The Ha Long High School for Gifted Students was officially established in 1990. With 1,266 students in the 2019 – 2020 academic year, it is the second largest school in the province in terms of student population. Regarding the quality of teaching and learning, it has always ranked the first in the province, with a high percentage of students passing university entrance examinations and thousands of students receiving prizes in numerous provincial, national, and international contests.

III. PROJECT INFORMATION
Background: Despite their enthusiasm for teaching, EFL educators at the Ha Long High School for Gifted Students have limited opportunities to take part in professional development opportunities. This DAST project will provide them with invaluable opportunities to explore modern EFL teaching methods, discover new approaches towards teaching 21st century skills (information/media/technological literacy, critical thinking, creativity, etc.), and learn about American culture. Equipped with new knowledge and insights, the EFL educators from the Ha Long High School for Gifted Students will conduct workshops to pass on their newly acquired skills their peers across the province. This project also reflects the Ministry of Education and Training’s Foreign Languages Project 2020 program which aims to strengthen the teaching and
learning of foreign languages in Vietnam, notably English, to prepare Vietnamese students for the 21st century global economy.

**Activities:** Leading seminars, workshops or other teacher professional development for educators

**Target Beneficiaries:** EFL educators; students

**IV. QUALIFICATIONS OF SELECTED APPLICANT**

**Teaching Level:** Secondary

**Years of Teaching Experience:** 5+

**Subject Area Expertise:** EFL; Gifted and Talented Education; Teacher Training; Guidance/School Counseling

**Language Requirement:** None (a Vietnamese translator will help with communication when needed)