**CALL FOR PRESENTERS**

**The IMLS “Think Globally, Act Globally” China-U.S. Librarian Collaboration Grant Project is seeking 4 presenters for 1 Professional Development Program from October 24-November 11, 2011 in Guiyang, Wuhan and Taiyuan.**

**Presentation Topics:**

1. Laws, policies, and strategic plans of U.S. libraries
2. Library management and operational mechanisms
3. Public library services
4. Library assessment and librarians’ professional development, promotion and evaluation system
5. Public relations activities and their values
6. Academic libraries, special libraries, library education, and professional organizations in the U.S.

**Qualifications:**

* An ALA-accredited MLS degree or its equivalent is required.
* Experience in making presentations is required.
* A minimum of three years of post-MLS professional working experience in a field of library services in the U.S. is preferred.
* Public library experience or experience with public services is preferred.
* CALA membership is preferred; CALA members will be given first priority for speaker positions
* PowerPoint presentations must be in both Chinese and English and will be property of IMLS

**Benefits:**

* Speakers will have their travel arranged by the University of Illinois and the travel and lodging costs are covered by the Grant agreement;
* Will receive $1,000 honorarium;
* Opportunity to interact with Chinese colleagues.

**To apply:**

Send the following documents to Dr. Shuyong Jiang at shyjiang@illinois.edu and Qi Chen at qchen@argosy.edu:

1. A cover letter, specifically mentioning which of the topics above (#1-6) you would like to present on, and why you would be the best candidate to present on that topic(s). You may choose more than one topic, and specify your top preference(s).
2. Your current resume/CV
3. Example(s) of previous presentation(s)

**Deadlines:**

Please apply by **July 8, 2011**. **It will be your responsibility to get permission from your library to participate.** We plan to have a half day pre-trip team training meeting with the selected presenters. Time and location will be decided later. This will be a required meeting and the expenses will be covered by the grant.

**Contact:**

For questions or more information, please contact Dr. Shuyong Jiang at shyjiang@illinois.edu.

More information about the IMLS-funded “Think Globally, Act Globally” project is available at the website <http://www.library.uiuc.edu/China> , and the Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) page may also be of help to you as you consider this exciting opportunity.

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