

PARTNERS FOR EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS: FACULTY EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Invitation to Apply for January 2010 Exchange

In 2008 Five ELCA institutions – Augustana Rock Island, Carthage, Gustavus Adolphus, Luther and St. Olaf –agreed to work together to pilot a cooperative program with Tumaini University in Tanzania to broaden the exposure and deepen the expertise of faculty at our institutions and to build dialog throughout the church. Several goals were established:

- To promote faculty development at the five ELCA colleges in their understanding of Tanzania and the African continent.
- To support faculty development in the areas of pedagogy and research at all of the partner institutions.
- To investigate issues of hunger, food production, environment, health, education, gender and international debt as related to particular disciplines.
- To promote higher educational dialog between faculties of the world wide church.
- To provide opportunities for Tumaini University faculty to bring their expertise of Tanzania and Africa to our colleges.
- To provide research and pedagogical opportunities for Tumaini faculty.

Faculty involved in the exchange would be partnered with a Tanzanian colleague during their stay in Tanzania and during the Tanzanian scholar's stay in the US. Team teaching, consultation on the development of academic programs, research interest, out reach to schools, churches and community organizations are all potentially viable inclusions in this partnership.

Professors from the five colleges who have an academic and/or professional background in disciplines such as English, Math, Sciences, Gender Studies, Education, ESL, Special needs, Health, Communication are encouraged to apply for three weeks in January 2010. Assignments in Tanzania to one of the six Tumaini University sites will be determined by the Vice-Provosts of the constituent universities.

ELCA Scholars: Receive travel support and housing and per diem. (January 2010)

<u>Tumaini Scholars</u>: Receive travel support, food/housing, health insurance and \$500 stipend. (Sept/Oct 2008)



APPLICATIONS FOR ALL SCHOLARS:

- 1. A two/three page letter of interest to include the following:
 - Statement of interest and motivation in wishing to participate in this program and particular focus of interest.
 - Description of specific types of courses and/or lecture topics that you could speak on such as society, culture and more specialized subjects for a more limited audience. This list should be supported by your academic and/or professional expertise.
 - A statement of the ways in which you will benefit personally and professionally from the experience of a short visit such as this and how you will use the experience in your home institution and community upon your return.
- 2. Curriculum Vitae
- 3. Letter of support from home institution's chief academic officer.

Please instruct all interested faculty to submit their documents via email to Dr. Shoonie Hartwig shoonieh@aol.com and Marilyn Olson marilyn.olson@elca.org by April 15, 2009. As noted in the January 2009 Summary, the names and disciplines of the selected individuals will be sent to Tumaini Vice Chancellor Dr. John Shao by the first of May.