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Fulbright Scholar
Spring 2013 Georgia
Why I Chose to Apply

**Cultural Impact** - I work in a fairly homogeneous part of the United States. Embedded exposure to life in a different culture was very enriching.

**Professional Development** – I teach about difference and diversity; this was living it – I was in the minority, living in an emerging democracy.

**Adventure-filled Sabbatical** - I was still teaching, but learning so much as well!

**Making a difference** - Not only in my host country, but in my own country upon return.

**Prestige** - Recognition of scholarship and expertise as well as chance to serve as cultural ambassador for American public.
Teaching and Learning in the Republic of Georgia

Courses/Seminars:

Graduate/Doctoral Students:
• Educational Systems and Development

Undergraduate Students:
• English Media Class – Blogging Presentations: Batumi, Georgia – ELF-ETAG Conference: Teaching English to Young Children

Advising:
Doctoral Students
**Personal Impact**

**Cultural Appreciation** - Developed a deeper appreciation for other cultures as well as my own.

**New Connections** - Created strong relationships with colleagues and friends met while on Fulbright.

**New Insights** - Able to understand issues and events with new perspectives.

**Culinary** - Broader culinary palette and appreciation of the cultural components of a country’s typical foods.
Professional Impact

**Scholarly Work** - Refined the focus of my past work utilizing insights developed abroad.

**Curriculum Enrichment** - Include components of my experience in my work with future teachers and other students.

**Mentor Role** – Have mentored, done presentations, and sat on panels at my own institution to help peers consider applying and navigate the process.
Question & Answer
Other Fulbright Programs

**Fulbright U.S. Student Program**
- Recent graduates, postgraduate candidates through dissertation level, developing professionals and artists to study and research abroad

**Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program**
- Principally for primary- and secondary-level educators

**Fulbright-Hays Awards**
- Faculty research, group projects and seminars in designated social sciences and humanities fields

**Fulbright Specialist Program**
- Short term grants that promote linkages between U.S. scholars and professionals and their counterparts at host institutions overseas
Stay Engaged!

• Sign up for MyFulbright to receive tailored messages regarding the Fulbright Scholar Program

• Invite a Visiting Scholar to your campus through the Outreach Lecturing Fund

• Register for an upcoming Webinar

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