Fall 2011 Service Fellowship in Central Mexico

Share your talent and enthusiasm as a Rassias Assistant Teacher during the IAPE Intensive English Program in Valle de Bravo, Mexico.

Spirit, enthusiasm, knowledge of the Rassias Method® as either an assistant teacher or student in drill (in any affiliated immersion program) strongly preferred.

Native or near native English language skills are required.

Spanish skills are preferred, native or near native fluency in Spanish is not necessary.

Fellows are members of an international team of nine English as a Second Language (ESL) professionals (including one recent Dartmouth alum) whose mission is to help Mexican public school teachers of ESL improve their language and teaching skills through language classes and cultural events.

Fall program dates are: September 21 to November 20

There will also be Winter Term Program beginning in January through March 2012

Please see security statement below.

The Inter-American Partnership for Education (IAPE) is a program of Worldfund (www.worldfund.org) and Dartmouth College’s Rassias Center for World Languages and Cultures (http://rassias.dartmouth.edu/). IAPE Social Service Fellows spend the term conducting Rassias drills and creating cultural activities with the team during three intensive language immersion programs at the IAPE center located in a picturesque mountain town near Mexico City.

All essential expenses (room, board, International SOS Assistance Service, and round-trip transportation to and from the site), are covered by IAPE. Cost of living is significantly less than in the US.
Rassias training will be provided in Mexico. Application deadline is August 5, 2011
Please note, this Fellowship is primarily for Dartmouth undergraduates.

Please contact: alps@dartmouth.edu for an application or more information

Information on the site in a recent "New York Times " travel article:


Security statement:
Security of participants and staff is of paramount concern to both organizations. Compared to much of the country, Valle de Bravo, a popular retreat for Mexico's upper class, is considered peaceful and was first recommended to Worldfund and Dartmouth as a potential program location in 2009, by the security consultants at International SOS with whom both organizations work to provide security services to students and employees. Valle de Bravo continues to be considered a stable location, where violent crime is much less of a concern than in many other areas of the country, including states that border the United States. Nonetheless, staff members are reminded that IAPE cannot guarantee their safety at home or abroad and that much of their safety and security depends ultimately on their own behavior and personal choices. It is incumbent on all staff to be part of the safety process, to keep themselves informed about local conditions, and to act responsibly. Prior to departure, U.S.-based staff will be briefed about safety precautions, including current travel precautions, by program personnel and by International SOS security specialists. Upon arrival in Mexico City, U.S.-based staff will be transported to Valle de Bravo by reputable private transportation as recommended by International SOS. The program is managed in conjunction with an extensive network of local contacts and the program team remains in close communication with the U.S. State Department and International SOS and regularly monitors local events. The IAPE On-Site Coordinator, an employee of Dartmouth College, resides in Valle de Bravo and is available in the event of a security or medical concern. International SOS is also available 24 hours a day for telephone consultation and assistance.

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