DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED–2018–ICCD–0116]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request;
Application Forms and Instructions for the Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a reinstatement of a previously approved information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 5, 2018.

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use http://www.regulations.gov by searching the Docket ID number ED–2018–ICCD–0116. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 550 12th Street SW, PCP, Room 9086, Washington, DC 20202–0023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Sara Starke, 202–453–7681.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department’s information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Type of Collection: Application Forms and Instructions for the Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program.

OMB Control Number: 1840–0501.

Type of Review: A reinstatement of a previously approved information collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 300.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 900.

Abstract: The Department of Education (US/ED) is responsible for administering the Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad (SA) Program under authority of Section 102(b)(6) of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange (Fulbright-Hays) Act of 1961, as amended. The program is administered under the policies established by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FSB), a 12-member body appointed by the President. US/ED recruits and recommends candidates for seminar positions abroad in accordance with FSB policies, which support the purposes of the Fulbright-Hays Act. The application is necessary in order for the Department to award funds under this program.


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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Agency Information Collection Extension

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, intends to extend for three years, an information collection request with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before January 4, 2019. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to Courtney Bracey by email at Courtney.Bracey@science.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Courtney Bracey, courtney.bracey@science.doe.gov, (301) 903–1844.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the extended collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. This information collection request contains:

(1) OMB No. {1910–5178};
(2) Information Collection Request Title: Portfolio Analysis and Management System (PAMS);
(3) Type of Review: {extension};
(4) Purpose: This existing collection is based on the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Electronic Handbooks software. Discretionary financial assistance proposals continue to be collected using Grants.gov but are imported into PAMS for use by the program offices. Under the existing information collection, an external interface in PAMS allows two other types of proposal submission: DOE National Laboratories are able to submit proposals for technical work authorizations directly into PAMS, while other Federal Agencies will be able to submit Proposals for interagency awards directly into PAMS. External users from all institution types are able to submit Solicitations of Intent and Pre-proposals directly into PAMS. All applicants, whether they submitted