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### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

The Humphrey Fellowship Program provides mid-career professionals from designated countries around the world with an opportunity to enhance their professional capabilities through participation in specialized 10-month programs developed specifically for small clusters of Humphrey Fellows at selected U.S. universities. Primary funding for the Humphrey Program is provided by the U.S. Government through the United States Department of State. The Institute of International Education (IIE) administers the program on behalf of the State Department.

The types of university programs arranged for Humphrey Fellows depart from a traditional discipline-oriented focus and have a problem-solving and experience-sharing emphasis. The programs are not degree-related and not aimed at providing scholarly preparation or basic training in a field. The objective is to provide Humphrey Fellows with an overall experience that broadens their perspectives, enhances their capability to assume greater career responsibilities, and provides opportunities to establish useful professional contacts. To accomplish these objectives, programs are designed to include various combinations of course work, independent projects, internships, consultations with U.S. faculty or experts, field trips, and seminars. Under the guidance of a designated faculty adviser or "coordinator," Fellows plan programs that best suit their individual career development needs.