

Boren Awards and the African Languages Initiative for Portuguese

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We are pleased to announce that the African Flagship Languages Initiative (AFLI) will again include Portuguese. Through this initiative, Boren Scholars and Fellows will study the language domestically in summer 2016 and in Mozambique during fall 2016. No prior experience in Portuguese is required, and candidates with prior experience in Spanish are often strong applicants (although that is also not required).

In addition to Portuguese, the African Languages Initiative is again available for applicants interested in studying Akan/Twi, French, Swahili, Wolof, or Zulu.

To learn more about the Boren Awards and the African Languages Initiative, to register for one of our upcoming webinars, and to access the on-line application, please visit www.borenawards.org. We have webinars that focus on AFLI scheduled for November 10 and January 7. You can also contact the Boren Awards staff at boren@iie.org or 1-800-618-NSEP with questions.