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#### **Quick Facts**

- Brooks' research will involve surveying enslaved African cemeteries in Jamaica.
- Brooks is one of more than 800 U.S. faculty and professionals who will travel abroad this academic year through the Core Fulbright Scholars Program.



Christina Brooks

ROCK HILL, S.C. - Christina Brooks, an instructor of anthropology and sociology at Winthrop University, has been selected for a Core Fulbright Scholar Award. She will spend the spring semester as a guest lecturer within the history and archaeology department at the University of the West Indies in Mona, Jamaica.

Her research will involve surveying enslaved African cemeteries in the country. According to Brooks, there is very little history on these sites as they have often been lost from site and memory. "My goal is to work with the community to locate, document and preserve these rich historic sites," said Brooks.

As for her personal research, Brooks plans to tie her research in Jamaica back to her research on South Carolina enslaved cemeteries. She plans to use the data gathered in Jamaica, and a few other Caribbean islands she will visit, as comparative data to Low Country enslaved cemetery sites.

Brooks is one of more than 800 U.S. faculty and professionals who will travel abroad this academic year through the Core Fulbright Scholar Program.

The Fulbright Program, America's flagship international educational exchange activity, is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Over its 60 years of existence, thousands of U.S. faculty and professionals have taught, studied or conducted research abroad, and thousands of their counterparts from other countries have engaged in similar activities in the United States. Over 285,000 emerging leaders in their professional fields have received Fulbright awards, including individuals who later became heads of government, Nobel Prize winners, and leaders in education, business, journalism, the arts and other fields.

Recipients of Fulbright Scholar awards are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement. Among thousands of prominent Fulbright Scholar alumni are Milton Friedman, Nobel Prize-winning economist; Alan Leshner, CEO of the American Association for the Advancement of Science; Rita Dove, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet; and Craig Barrett, chairman of the Board of Intel Corporation.

For further information about the Core Fulbright Scholar Program, please contact scholars@cies.iie.org or consult www.cies.org.

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