

Uzbekistan MoDA Position Description

Applicants must be DoD Civil Service in the GS 13/14/15 pay grades or Title 10 Faculty to be eligible

COCOM: CENTCOM

Location: Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Grade: GS-13/14/15

Function: Military Education Advisor

Clearance: SECRET

Title: Senior Advisor

Tour length: 12 months

Background: The Uzbekistan Armed Forces Academy (AFA), in coordination with the Defense Education Enhancement Program (DEEP), has taken steps to reform its Professional Military Education (PME) system away from a Soviet-era model and replace it with a Euro-Atlantic model in order to produce graduates who are intellectually interoperable with Western countries and NATO. The Uzbek AFA aims to deepen its education reform through the implementation of the multi-year DEEP Strategic Plan. The MoDA Advisor will complement efforts under the DEEP Strategic Plan and expand U.S. led engagement at the AFA beyond the currently agreed subject matter. The MoDA Advisor will assist the Uzbek AFA to modernize its faculty and curriculum development processes, build capacity so that the teaching faculty can sustain its own academic programs, and produce graduates capable of supporting and contributing to NATO and other partner nation activities without external assistance.

Desired Skills and Experience:

- Minimum 7-10 years of experience conveying modern pedagogical teaching techniques addressing lesson plan development, learning objective identification, readings selection, question formulation, use of the media, and student knowledge measurement
- Minimum 7-10 years of experience with War College or Staff College (or equivalent) curriculum development
- Minimum 7-10 years of experience with faculty development instructing modern teaching and student learning techniques such as facilitated seminars, case studies, e-learning, and lesson plan development
- At least 5 years of experience as a faculty member at a U.S. War College, Staff College, or equivalent.
- Familiarity with DEEP and NATO strategic goals as it relates to military education.
- Demonstrated communication skills and the ability to work collaboratively with counterparts to help them achieve goals through the provision of quality advice, support, and mentoring.
- Proven self-starter who can be successful working independently at various organizational levels and with executives/managers/leaders/staffs from multiple functional areas
- Proven success in individual and organizational capacity building and aptitude to share knowledge, mentor and coach others
- Demonstrated ability to work in an environment with limited resources and to apply innovative and creative solutions to resolve problems
- Demonstrated creative problem solving skills and the ability to work independently or as part of a team
- Exceptional interpersonal skills, preferably with experience in mentoring, training, and living in an international setting
- Willingness and ability to partner with AFA counterparts on a daily basis

- Strong interest in learning a foreign language and ability to adapt to a diverse cultural environment
- Fluency in Russian (Reading/Listening/Speaking) is desired, but not required

Specific Tasks:

- Conduct faculty development seminars to demonstrate modern teaching methods and encourage critical thinking
- Assist with curriculum development focused on modern warfare with special emphasis on military operations in Afghanistan and Iraq, counterinsurgency/low intensity conflict, civil-military relations, law of armed conflict, and defense
- Teach classes on modern warfare with special emphasis on military operations in Afghanistan and Iraq, counterinsurgency/low intensity conflict, civil-military relations, law of armed conflict, and defense
- Assist with the development and execution of AFA brigade-level exercises
- Identify organizational shortfalls or process gaps, build consensus, reach agreement, document conclusions, and monitor implementation of policies across all AFA functional areas
- Advance and support other security cooperation efforts, such as improving the sustainability of U.S. military sales and FMF activities, coordinating and harmonizing other institutional capacity building efforts, and identifying opportunities to improve the integration of IMET, regional centers, and other education & training programs with their advisory efforts

Additional Requirements:

- Incumbent must be able to obtain and maintain a SECRET security clearance.
- Incumbent must be available for detail from their home organization for a period of 14 months to include training, preparation and a 12 month deployment.

Interested applicants should submit the following:

1. Cover letter
2. Resume
3. Current SF-50 (redacted, no SSN)

HOW TO APPLY: Submit application package to the MoDA Program Office email address: DSCA-MODA@dscamil

Applications are due NLT 29 June 2015. Competitive applicants will be contacted for a telephone interview. Throughout the process, reference and background checks will be completed.