

Professor Eileen Ariza Chosen as Fulbright Alumni Ambassador



Professor Eileen Ariza has been chosen as a Fulbright Alumni Ambassador by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES), a department of the Institute of International Education (IIE). CIES is the collaborating agency for the US Department of State in administering the Fulbright Scholar Program. The program supports faculty and professionals to teach or conduct research in 125 countries around the world.

Fulbright Alumni Ambassadors are selected competitively to present information on their Fulbright experience at campus workshops, academic conferences and other venues. They also play an important role in promoting Fulbright grants to other faculty and administrators and raising the visibility of the program nationally.

Eileen N. Whelan Ariza is a professor in the department of Teaching and Learning and ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) Coordinator for the College of Education at FAU.

Ariza's expertise is preparing teachers to be successful instructors of English learners, especially in the mainstream classroom. She has authored over 45 publications that focus on teacher preparation and language learning and has been an invited presenter on related topics at conferences and workshops in many countries and in a multitude of national and international venues. Her interests are on content adaptation for English learners, foreign language methodology, and integrating technology into content to further background knowledge.