

**PART 263—INDIAN EDUCATION DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAMS**

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**Subpart A—Professional Development Program**

**§ 263.1 What is the Professional Development program?**

- (a) The Professional Development program provides grants to eligible entities to—
  - (1) Increase the number of qualified Indian individuals in professions that serve Indian people;
  - (2) Provide training to qualified Indian individuals to become teachers, administrators, teacher aides, social workers, and ancillary educational personnel; and
  - (3) Improve the skills of qualified Indian individuals who serve in the education field.

(b) The Professional Development program requires individuals who receive training to—

- (1) Perform work related to the training received under the program and that benefits Indian people, or to repay all or a prorated part of the assistance received under the program; and
- (2) Report to the Secretary on the individual's compliance with the work requirement.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7442)

**§ 263.2 Who is eligible to apply under the Professional Development program?**

(a) In order to be eligible for either pre-service or in-service training programs, an applicant must be an eligible entity which means —

- (1) An institution of higher education, including an Indian institution of higher education;
- (2) A State educational agency in consortium with an institution of higher education;
- (3) A local educational agency in consortium with an institution of higher education;
- (4) An Indian tribe or Indian organization in consortium with an institution of higher education; or
- (5) A Bureau-funded school.

(b) Bureau-funded schools are eligible applicants for —

- (1) An in-service training program; and
- (2) A pre-service training program when the Bureau-funded school applies in consortium with an institution of higher education that is accredited to provide the coursework and level of degree required by the project.

(c) Eligibility of an applicant requiring a consortium with any institution of higher education, including Indian institutions of higher education, requires that the institution of higher education be accredited to provide the coursework and level of degree required by the project.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7442)

**§ 263.3 What definitions apply to the Professional Development program?**

The following definitions apply to the Professional Development program: