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Samantha Leihsing Named AGS Geography Teacher Fellow

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[New York City, NY] – [September 7, 2017] — The American Geographical Society (AGS) has named Samantha Leihsing of Communications Arts High School in San Antonio, Texas as a 2017 AGS Geography Teacher Fellow. Mrs. Leihsing is one of fifty teachers selected from across the United States to participate in the program in its second year. The AGS Geography Teacher Fellow program has been made possible by a generous gift to AGS from the Boundless Corporation.

Mrs. Leihsing teaches Advanced Placement (AP) Human Geography in San Antonio, Texas. As part of the award for being selected as an AGS Geography Teacher Fellow, Mrs. Leihsing will attend the AGS Fall Symposium on November 16 and 17, 2017 at Columbia University in New York City. The Symposium provides Teacher Fellows with the opportunity to gain valuable cutting-edge content knowledge and awareness of the real-world geographic workplace skills demanded by today's geospatial companies.

“We are very pleased to be able to have Samantha among 50 of the best teachers in the country join us in New York City in November," said Dr. John Konarski, CEO of the American Geographical Society. "The collective experience and expertise of these Geography Teacher Fellows will be an integral component as AGS leads the cause for the future of geography and geospatial science. In addition, the teachers will be able to bring back to their classrooms practical and cutting-edge information and applications of the latest advancements in the geospatial world," added Dr. Konarski.

The AGS Fall Symposium is one of the most important and recognized geography/geospatial events in North America during the Fall Semester. Attendees include CEOs and senior executives from preeminent geospatial companies along with leading experts and representatives from government, not-for-profits, and academia.

The American Geographical Society (AGS) is a 21st century learning society dedicated to the advancement of geographic thinking, knowledge, and understanding across business, government, academe, social sectors, and most importantly with teachers and students.
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