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APPLEBY RECEIVES FULBRIGHT GRANT

CHARLESTON, IL.--Dr. David Appleby, a music professor at Eastern Illinois University for 17 years, has received a Fulbright grant to lecture and do research in Brazil.

He will teach two graduate courses at the Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul in Porto Alegre, Brazil, and work on a biography of Brazil's greatest composer, Heitor Villa-Lobos, while at Rio de Janeiro's Museu Villa-Lobos. He will remain in Brazil from August-December 1989.

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Appleby received two other Fulbright appointments, one in 1975 and another in 1977. He is one of 1,000 U.S. grantees who are being sent abroad for the 1989-90 academic year under the Fulbright exchange program.

The program was established in 1946 under Congressional legislation introduced by former Sen. J. William Fulbright of Arkansas. It is designed "to promote better mutual understanding among the people of the world through educational and cultural exchanges."

Appleby, who received his doctorate degree from Indiana University in 1956, studied piano at New York City's Juilliard School of Music and has authored four publications on Brazilian music.

Two of his most influential works include, The Music of Brazil, a book on the history of Brazilian music, and Heitor Villa-Lobos, a bio-bibliography on the music, recordings, articles and books written by and about Heitor Villa-Lobos.

Appleby is the "founding father" of the Music of Americas Piano competition, which was held at Eastern for several years. He also received Eastern's Outstanding Faculty Merit Award in 1982.

He resides in Charleston with his wife, Martha.