



**FULBRIGHT**

Scholar Program

# Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities for Faculty, Artists, Researchers and Professionals

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# Today's Presentation

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- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- Types of Awards
- Application Cycle and Tips
- Questions





## Mission

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- In partnership with **160 countries** worldwide, Fulbright offers passionate and accomplished faculty, artists, and other professionals from all backgrounds an **unparalleled opportunity to teach or conduct research abroad.**
- Our mission is to **foster mutual understanding** between nations, **advance knowledge** across communities, and improve lives around the world.

## Four Fulbright Distinctions

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1. Awarding over 800 fellowships a year, Fulbright is **the largest fellowship program for U.S. scholars**
2. Fulbright is a **public diplomacy program**:  
Established by Congress in 1946 and sponsored by the U.S. Department of State
3. Seeks applicants who **foster engagement, forge lasting connections, and strive for long-term impact**





## 4. Fulbright is Elite, but not Elitist

The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) of the United States Department of State strives to embed diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA) in all aspects of its work.

Public diplomacy is most effective when people of diverse backgrounds and perspectives participate in people-to-people exchanges and programs to promote mutual understanding. The Bureau incorporates DEIA best practices throughout its exchanges and programs, grants, community partnerships, and in its workforce and workplace.

ECA is committed to addressing barriers based on race, ethnicity, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, religion, geographic location, education, income, socio-economic status, and other diversity dimensions, that may hinder inclusion in the organization. The Bureau's commitment to DEIA strengthens U.S. foreign policy and is vital to building trust and partnerships here at home and around the world.





# Why Fulbright?

## Fulbright is transformational.

- Foster relationships that are real and lasting
- Expand your **publishing network**
- Become more **multicultural** in the classroom
- Serve as an **ambassador** for international exchange
- Gain the **professional recognition** as being identified as a “Fulbright Scholar”
- Join a vibrant **alumni network**





# Why Fulbright?

## Fulbright is family-friendly.

- Approximately **60%** of our awards provide **dependent support**
- Many Fulbright dependents go on to have international careers





# Why Fulbright?

## Fulbright is supportive.

- **70% of applicants** engage with IIE staff
- **Continued support** while in country from IIE and host country staff
- Access to **Fulbright alumni** as a resource







# Connect with a Fulbright Alumni Ambassador

- Official representatives of the Fulbright Program
- Share the impact Fulbright had on them personally and professionally, as well as on their institution.

For more information, visit:

[fulbrightscholars.org/alumni-ambassadors](https://fulbrightscholars.org/alumni-ambassadors)

72

Emeriti Ambassadors

26

New Ambassadors

80+

Events Annually





## Eligibility for U.S. Scholar Program



### U.S. citizenship



### Degree and experience, as required by award:

- Ph.D. or other terminal degree
- MA and higher education teaching or professional experience
- Professional and/or artistic experience with substantial accomplishments
- Teaching experience as required



**Compliance with policies** on previous Fulbright Scholar awards: two year waiting period between Fulbright U.S. Scholar award and next application





# Which Award is for you?

## Award Types:

- 1 Scholar Awards
- 2 Postdoctoral Awards
- 3 Distinguished Scholar Awards
- 4 International Education Administrator Awards





# Which Award is for you?

## Flex Option

- Available in 63 countries and all world areas
- Allows multiple visits over two years

## Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship

## Global & Regional Awards





# Understanding the Awards

Visit [fulbrightscholars.org](https://fulbrightscholars.org) to search awards

Review important details in:

- award details
- award requirements
- award benefits
- country/area overview

Back to awards search

FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR AWARD

**Award Details**

Award Requirements

Award Benefits

Country/Area Overview

Begin Application Process

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**All Disciplines**

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: CLOSED

**AWARD CODE**  
24370-KO

**ACTIVITY TYPE**  
Professional Project ?  
Research ?  
Teaching ?  
Teaching/Research ?

**DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**  
Ph.D. (or other terminal degree) not required

**CAREER PROFILE**  
Early Career Academics ?  
Mid-Career Academics ?  
Professionals ?  
Senior Academics ?

**NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS**

**AWARD START PERIOD**  
September 2024 - April 2025

**AWARD LENGTH**  
3 months - 9 months

**FLEX OPTION**  
No

**MULTI-COUNTRY/AREA AWARD**  
No

**DISCIPLINES**  
Projects are sought in all disciplines





# Application Components

## Requirements:

- ✓ **Application Form**
- ✓ **Project Statement**
- ✓ **Curriculum Vitae or Resume**
- ✓ **2 Letters of Recommendation**
- ✓ **Language Proficiency Report *(if required)***
- ✓ **Letter of Invitation *(if required)***

## Supplemental Materials:

- ✓ **Course outlines or syllabi *(for teaching)***
- ✓ **Reference list *(for research)***
- ✓ **Portfolio submissions *(for artists, architects, and journalists)***





## Tips for a strong application:



Before you start, **read your award's description carefully** to ensure you meet all requirements and your proposed project is possible.



Start application and enter referees' information **as soon as possible**.



**Take advantage of IIE resources**, including webinars, office hours and application guidance on our website.





# Application Cycle

The 2025-26 Fulbright U.S. Scholar Competition: Open in February 2024

FEBRUARY	Competition Opens
<b>SEPTEMBER 15</b>	Application Deadline
SEPTEMBER	Program staff conducts technical reviews for completeness
OCTOBER – NOVEMBER	U.S. peer review
NOVEMBER – JANUARY	Applicants notified of status. Recommended applications are sent to host countries and to the Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.
JANUARY – JUNE	Final decisions are made
JUNE – ONWARD	Participants prepare for departure



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# Bring Foreign Fulbrighters to your Campus

## FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE (S-I-R) PROGRAM

Host scholars from other countries to teach for a semester or an academic year

Deadline: June 1

Website: [fulbrightscholars.org/sir](https://fulbrightscholars.org/sir)

Email: [SIR@iie.org](mailto:SIR@iie.org)

## FULBRIGHT OUTREACH LECTURING FUND (OLF)

Host current Fulbright Visiting Scholars for short-term lectureships of 2-6 days on discipline or cultural topics to internationalize the campus

Website: [fulbrightscholars.org/OLF](https://fulbrightscholars.org/OLF)

Email: [OLF@iie.org](mailto:OLF@iie.org)

## FULBRIGHT LANGUAGE TEACHING ASSISTANT (FLTA) PROGRAM

Host native speaking language teaching assistants to enhance students' understanding different languages and cultures

Website: [foreign.fulbrightonline.org](https://foreign.fulbrightonline.org)

Email: [dcook@iie.org](mailto:dcook@iie.org)



# Stay Connected with Fulbright

**EMAIL** us at [scholars@iie.org](mailto:scholars@iie.org)

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**VISIT** [fulbrightscholars.org](http://fulbrightscholars.org) to learn more about the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

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# Additional Fulbright U.S. Programs

## SCHOLARS

- Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship  
[FPPF@iie.org](mailto:FPPF@iie.org)
- Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Program  
[GPA@ed.gov](mailto:GPA@ed.gov)
- Specialist Program  
[FulbrightSpecialist@worldlearning.org](mailto:FulbrightSpecialist@worldlearning.org)

## STUDENTS

- Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Program  
[DDRA@ed.gov](mailto:DDRA@ed.gov)
- English Teaching Assistant (ETA) Program  
[FBstudent@iie.org](mailto:FBstudent@iie.org)
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## TEACHERS

- Distinguished Award in Teaching Research Program  
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