



FULBRIGHT

Scholar Program

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities in TEFL and Education

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Today's Presentation

- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- TEFL and Education Opportunities
- Alumni Perspective
- Application Cycle and Tips
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MISSION

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

A BRIEF HISTORY

- Established in 1946 by Congress, Fulbright is the United States government's **flagship international educational and cultural exchange program**.
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Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Accessibility

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.





Fulbright by the Numbers

The Fulbright Program funds over **8,000 awards** annually:

900

U.S. scholars and
administrators

900

Visiting
scholars

2,200

U.S.
students

4,000

foreign
students

400

language
teaching
assistants





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





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

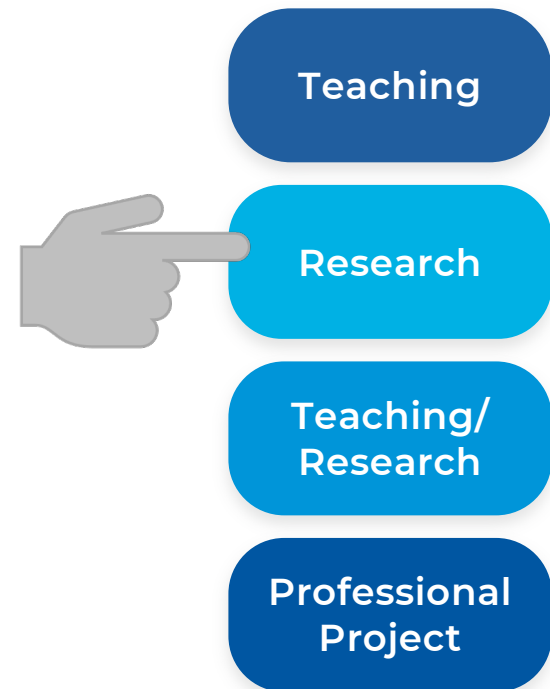




Selecting the Right Award

- **Match** country interest, expertise, career profile, and proposal to the award description
- **Language ability** (if applicable)
- **Discipline preferences**, when specified
- **Project relevance** to the host country and/or institution
- **Benefits** to you and your community

Remember: you can only apply for *ONE AWARD* per application cycle





Understanding the Awards

Visit 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

Developing Military Leadership

KOSOVO

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

Begin Application Process

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TITLE
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AWARD CODE
24593-KO

ACTIVITY TYPE
Teaching/Research 1

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

CAREER PROFILE
Professionals 2

NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS
Exactly 1

AWARD START PERIOD
January 2024

AWARD LENGTH
3 months

FLEX OPTION
No

MULTI-COUNTRY/AREA AWARD
No

DISCIPLINES
Education



TEFL and Education: Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program 2024-25 Competition



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TEFL and Education



- 69 awards in TEFL and Education
- Many awards do not require letters of invitation or are partner awards, taking the guesswork out of finding a host
- Looking for a country or award that we don't mention? Remember that this is just a fraction of what's available!





Europe and Eurasia

- **Austria:** [Fulbright-University of Innsbruck Visiting Professor](#)
- **Czech Republic:** [Fulbright-Masaryk University Distinguished Scholar](#)
- **France:** [French Studies \(Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences\)](#)
- **Hungary:** [Fulbright-Eszterházy Scholar Award](#)
- **Malta:** [All Disciplines](#)
- **Montenegro:** [All Disciplines](#)





Europe and Eurasia

- **Iceland:** [Fulbright Iceland-National Science Foundation Distinguished Scholar Award in Arctic Studies](#)
- **Kosovo:** [Improvement of Policy Making in Higher Education](#)
- **Finland:** [Fulbright-Haaga-Helia \(University of Applied Sciences\) Scholar Award](#)
- **Norway:** [Roving Scholar in American Studies](#)





Europe and Eurasia



- **Poland:** [Distinguished Scholar in Humanities and Social Sciences at Adam Mickiewicz University](#)
- **Poland:** [Distinguished Scholar in Humanities at Maria Curie-Skłodowska University](#)
- **Turkiye (Turkey):** [Teaching English as a Foreign Language](#)
- **United Kingdom:** [Fulbright-British Library Eccles Centre Scholar Award \(North American Studies\)](#)





East Asia and Pacific

- **Australia:** [Fulbright Scholar Award \(University of Canberra\)](#)
- **Taiwan:** [Arts, Education, Humanities, Professional Fields and Social Sciences](#)
- **Timor Leste:** [All Disciplines \(NEW AWARD\)](#)
- **Indonesia:** [All Disciplines \(Teaching\)](#)
- [ASEAN Research Program](#)





Western Hemisphere

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- **Canada:** [Research Chairs in Education](#)
- **Chile:** [Social Sciences, Humanities, and Education](#)
- **Mexico:** [Fulbright-García Robles Teaching English as a Foreign Language](#)
- **Panama:** [Science, Technology, and Education](#)





Sub-Saharan Africa

- Teaching experience sought in Sub-Saharan Africa
- 12 awards do **not** require a Ph.D. or Terminal Degree
- French and Portuguese language experience helpful
- **24 all disciplines awards!**
- **Eswatini:** All Disciplines
- **South Africa:** Social Sciences and Humanities





Middle East and North Africa

- Bahrain: [Teacher Education](#)
- Israel: [Postdoctoral Fellowships](#)
- Kuwait: [Multiple Disciplines](#)
- Tunisia: [All Disciplines](#)
- TEFL/Applied Linguistics in [Algeria](#), [Jordan](#) and [Palestinian Territories](#)





South and Central Asia

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- **India:** Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Award
- **Nepal:** Research and Teaching/Research
- **Sri Lanka:** All Disciplines
- **Bangladesh:** All Disciplines
- **Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan:** All or Multiple Disciplines Awards



Alumni Perspectives



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Rhonda Petree

Fulbright U.S. Scholar – Estonia (2018-2019)
Teaching



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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

FEBRUARY	Competition Opens
SEPTEMBER 15	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





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

Email: 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

Email: 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

Email: dcook@iie.org





Additional Fulbright U.S. Programs

SCHOLARS

- Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship
FPPF@iie.org
- Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Program
GPA@ed.gov
- Specialist Program
FulbrightSpecialist@worldlearning.org

STUDENTS

- Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Program
DDRA@ed.gov
- English Teaching Assistant (ETA) Program
FBstudent@iie.org
- Student Program
FBstudent@iie.org

TEACHERS

- Distinguished Award in Teaching Research Program
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- Group Projects Abroad
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- Teachers for Global Classrooms
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