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Scholar Program

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities in Finland in 2023-24

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Today's Webinar

- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- Finland Award Highlights
- Alumni Experience
- Application Cycle and Tips
- Questions





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 & Inclusion

Fulbright strives to ensure that it reflects the diversity of U.S. society and societies abroad. We encourage the involvement of people from traditionally underrepresented audiences in all our grants, programs and other initiatives.

Opportunities are open to people regardless of their race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, geographic location, socioeconomic status, disability, sexual orientation or gender identity.





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

Approximately 400,000 “Fulbrighters” have participated in the program since its inception in 1946.





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

Fulbright is family-friendly.

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

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 and waiting periods between grants





Fulbright Scholar Awards – Which is for you?

Award Types Open to Scholars in Finland:

- All Disciplines Award
- Discipline-specific awards
- University Partnership Scholar Awards
- Multi Country awards





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Seeking Solutions for Global Challenges

- Open to academics and professionals
- All Disciplines
- Any appropriate institution
- 2 – 6 months
- Research, teaching or professional project
- Flex option offered

Themes include, but are not limited to:

- Shared environments
- Emerging Technologies & Hybrid Threats
- Managing Migration & Humanitarian Crisis
- Governance, Peace, and Wellbeing





All Disciplines Award



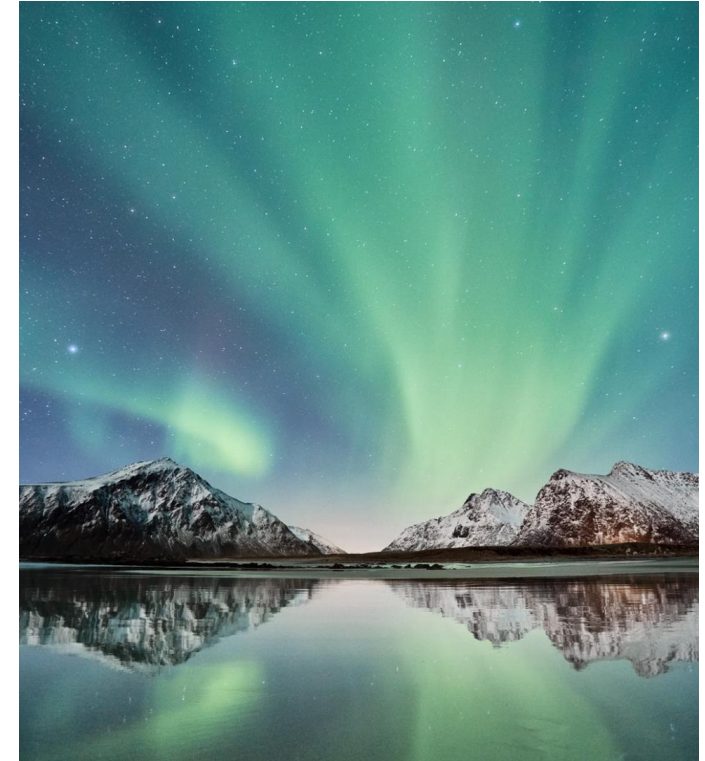
- Open to academics, including early career
- 4 – 9 months (most grants 4 to 5 months)
- Any appropriate institution
- All Disciplines
- Flex option offered
- Teaching, Teaching/Research





Distinguished Chair Partnership Awards

- [Fulbright Bicentennial Chair in **American Studies**](#)
- [Fulbright-Aalto University Distinguished Chair \(**Architecture, Art, Business, Engineering**\)](#)
- [Fulbright-Hanken Distinguished Chair in **Business and Economics**](#)
- [Fulbright-Nokia Distinguished Chair in **Information and Communications Technologies**](#)
- [Fulbright-Saastamoinen Foundation Distinguished Chair in **Health Sciences**](#)





Scholar Partnership Awards

Scholars, including early career

- [Fulbright-Haaga-Helia \(University of Applied Sciences\) Scholar Award](#)
- [Fulbright-Tampere University Scholar Award \(All Disciplines\)](#)
- [Fulbright-Turku UAS \(Turku University of Applied Sciences\) Scholar Award](#)
- [Fulbright-University of Turku Scholar Award \(All Disciplines\)](#)

Scholars, excluding early career

- [Fulbright-Saastamoinen Foundation Grant in Health and Environmental Sciences](#)
- [Fulbright-University of Vaasa Scholar Award](#)
- [Fulbright-VTT \(VTT Technical Research Center of Finland\) Award in Science, Technology, and Innovation](#)





Awards for Professionals

- [Mid-Career Professional Development Grant](#)
 - 4-5 months for professional development projects
 - Applications sought in all disciplines
 - Any appropriate institution (e.g. universities, museums, government organizations, nonprofits, art institutions)

[Other Awards for Professionals](#)

- [Seeking Solutions for Global Challenges](#)
- [Fulbright-VTT \(VTT Technical Research Center of Finland\) Award in Science, Technology, and Innovation](#)





Alumni Experience



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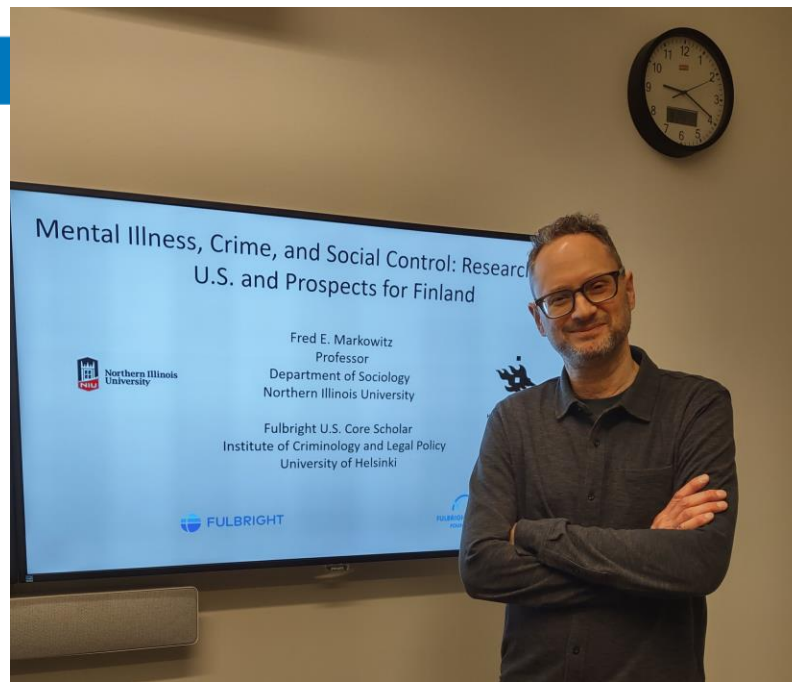




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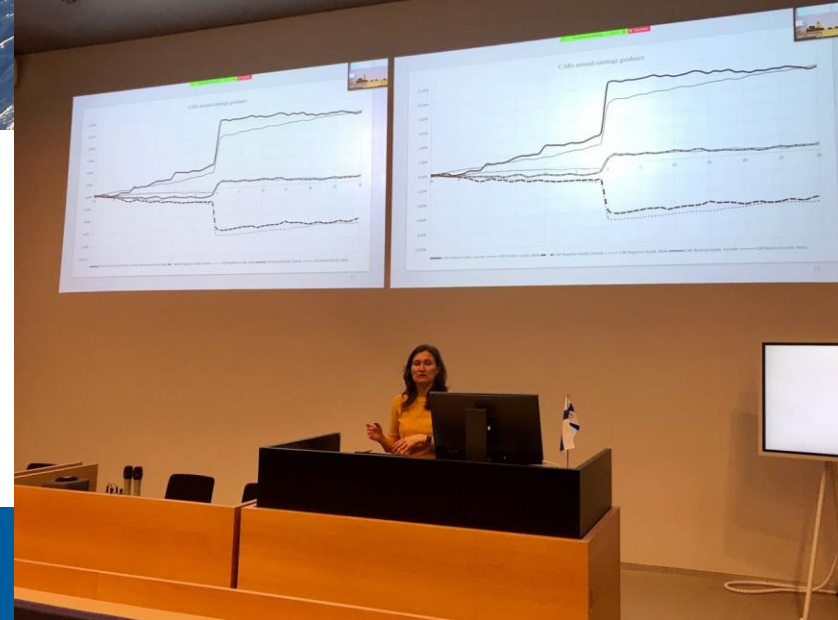
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Application Components

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)
- Select bibliography (for research)
- Portfolio submissions (for artists, architects, and journalists)





Tips to submit 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 your application and enter your recommenders' information as soon as possible.** You can always save and return to it.
- **Take advantage of IIE resources**, including webinars, office hours and pointed application guidance on our website.

Remember: You can only apply to one award!





Application Cycle

2023-24 Competition Now Open

FEBRUARY	Catalog of Awards 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



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