Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities in TEFL and Education in 2023-24

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Today’s Webinar

- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- Award Highlights
- Alumni Experiences
- 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.

• Fulbright is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State with funding provided by the U.S. Government and administered by the Institute of International Education.
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 Social Sciences and the Humanities:
- Scholar Awards
- Postdoctoral Awards
- Distinguished Scholar Awards
- Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship (FPPF)

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

Global and Regional Awards
Understanding the Awards

Distinguished Scholar Award in Law at the University of Trento

AWARD ACTIVITY
The Fulbright Scholar is expected to teach:
- 1 undergraduate course, for approximately 42 hours (6 hours a week), to classes of 10-30 students
- 2/3 seminars to doctoral students for a total of 6/8 hours to classes of 5-10 students.

APPLICATION DEADLINE
Thursday, September 15, 2022

Visit
awards.cies.org
Opportunities in TEFL and Education for Fulbright U.S. Scholars in 2023-24
Opportunities Around the World

• Over 60 awards specifically request projects in a field within TEFL and Education – plus, All Disciplines awards are open to you! The following awards featured are truly just a sample.

• Awards available at every stage of career, from early career instructors to distinguished scholars

• Grants include opportunities to teach, conduct research and carry out professional projects.

• Many awards seeking TEFL/Education are a unique opportunity to build on the educational capacity of your host country
Europe and Eurasia

• Albania: Media Literacy Education

• Austria: American Studies (Lecturing Award)

• Poland: Media Literacy and Cybersecurity

• Slovenia: All Disciplines

• Turkey: Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL)
Sub-Saharan Africa

- Emphasis in the region on all-disciplines awards
- Note the importance of TEFL and Education throughout the region, especially in francophone or lusophone countries

- Burkina Faso: All Disciplines
- Cote D’Ivoire: All Disciplines
- South Africa: Social Sciences and Humanities
Western Hemisphere

• Canada: Research Chair in Education
• Chile: Social Sciences, Humanities and Education
• Mexico: Fulbright-García Robles Teaching English as a Foreign Language
• Panama: Science, Technology and Education
South and Central Asia

• India: Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Awards (All Disciplines)

All Disciplines or Multiple Disciplines awards available across the region:

– Bangladesh
– Bhutan
– Maldives
– Tajikistan
– Uzbekistan

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Middle East and North Africa

• All countries in the region offer All Disciplines awards open to scholars in Education and TEFL

• TEFL/Applied Linguistics awards in Algeria, Jordan and Palestinian Territories

• Bahrain: Educational Administration and Teacher Education
East Asia and the Pacific

• Australia: Distinguished Scholar and Postdoctoral Awards at Australian Universities
• Japan: Study of the United States (Teaching in Social Sciences and Humanities)
• Taiwan: Arts, Education, Humanities, Professional Fields and Social Sciences
• All Disciplines awards throughout the region are all open to you!
Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship (FPPF)

4-9 month fellowships for U.S. early and mid-career professionals and practitioners to serve in placements in a foreign government ministry or institution around the world.

Placements Available in Botswana, Ghana, Rwanda, Fiji, Timor Leste, Cambodia, Thailand, Vietnam, Colombia, and Peru

Visit cies.org/FPPF
Alumni Experiences
Melisa Cahnmann-Taylor,
Professor, TESOL and World Language Education
University of Georgia
U.S. Scholar to Mexico, 2013-14

Project:
Spanish for Non-Spanish Speakers:
Cultivating Critically and Creatively Engaged Second Language Learners across US-Mexico Borders
Navigating the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Experience:

- The project
- Hosts + how to establish your connection
- Why Mexico?
- Students, colleagues, family & friends on Fulbright
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 referees’ 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 only can receive an award if you apply!
# Application Cycle

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<td>SEPTEMBER</td>
<td>Program staff conducts technical reviews for completeness</td>
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<td>OCTOBER – NOVEMBER</td>
<td>U.S. peer review</td>
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<td>Applicants notified of status. Recommended applications are sent to host countries and to the Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.</td>
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<td>JUNE – ONWARD</td>
<td>Participants prepare for departure</td>
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