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

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Today’s Webinar

- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- Types of Awards
- 2023-24 Highlighted Awards from Around the World
- 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?

4 Award Types:
• Scholar Awards
• Postdoctoral Awards
• Distinguished Scholar Awards
• International Education Administrator Awards

Flex Option
• Available in over 60 countries and all world areas
• Allows multiple visits over two years

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
Fulbright U.S. Scholar Awards

2023-24 Highlights
South and Central Asia

Bangladesh:  All Disciplines Award

India:  Fulbright-Kalam Climate Fellowships
India:  Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Awards (open to all disciplines)

Kyrgyz Republic:  All Disciplines Award
South and Central Asia Regional Research Award:  research in 2-3 countries

South and Central Asia Webinar: March 9
Europe and Eurasia

- **Albania**: [Climate Change International Framework – Education and Advocacy and Media Literacy and Education](#)
- **Austria**: [American Studies (Lecturing Award)](#)
- **Czech Republic**: [Postdoctoral Award](#)
- **France**: [Fulbright Postdoctoral Award in the Social Sciences](#)
- **Hungary**: [John Von Neumann Distinguished Award in STEM](#)
- **Ireland**: [Astronomy and Astrophysics](#)
- **Italy**: [Distinguished Scholar Award in Law at the University of Trento](#)
- **Spain**: [All Disciplines (Postdoctoral Research)](#)
- **United Kingdom**: [University of Manchester Distinguished Scholar Award (Humanities)](#)

Europe and Eurasia Webinar: March 2
Western Hemisphere

Chile: Astronomy and Antarctic Studies (new)

Brazil: New Distinguished Scholar Awards to conduct research in
- Biodiversity and Environmental Conservation
- Education and Reducing Inequality
- Renewable Energy and Green Hydrogen Production
- Urban Studies

Canada: Fulbright Canada-Pierre Elliot Trudeau Joint Chair in Public Policy

Western Hemisphere Webinar: February 23
East Asia and the Pacific

**Postdoctoral Awards**

**Australia**
- Future Postdoctoral Scholarship (funded by the Kinghorn Foundation)
- Postdoctoral Scholarships in All Disciplines at Deakin University and University of Newcastle

**Taiwan**
- Arts, Education, Humanities, Professional Fields and Social Sciences

Distinguished Scholar Awards: Available in **Australia and Korea**

All Disciplines Awards available in **all countries**

East Asia and the Pacific Webinar: February 16
Middle East and North Africa

**Israel:** Postdoctoral Fellowships

**Egypt:** Distinguished Scholar Award

TEFL/ Applied Linguistics Awards in **Algeria, Jordan and Palestinian Territories (West Bank)**

**Qatar:** Water Security, Energy and the Environment

Middle East and North Africa Webinar: March 30
Sub-Saharan Africa

Cabo Verde: All Disciplines Award with special interest in renewable energy, eco-tourism and environmental sciences at the University of Cabo Verde.

Botswana & Nigeria: All Disciplines awards and Public Health

Uganda: All Disciplines Award open to all levels of the academy, artists and professionals

Zambia: Journalism and Broadcasting

Zimbabwe: Public Policy and Governance

Sub-Saharan Africa Webinar: March 16

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Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship

- Opportunities for U.S. early and mid-career professionals and practitioners in a Public Policy related field, to serve in placements in a foreign government ministry or institution around the world.

- Fulbright Public Policy Fellowships are available in:
  - Africa: Botswana, Ghana, and Rwanda
  - East Asia and the Pacific: Cambodia, Thailand, Vietnam, Timor-Leste, and Fiji
  - Western Hemisphere: Peru and Colombia

- A Project Statement is not required. Applicants complete a short series of essay questions. Letter of Affiliations are not sought.

- Fellows will work with ministry officials as “technical specialists” under the supervision of host government officials.
# 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

**2023-24 Competition Now Open**

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<td>Catalog of Awards Opens</td>
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<td><strong>SEPTEMBER 15</strong></td>
<td>Application Deadline</td>
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<td><strong>SEPTEMBER</strong></td>
<td>Program staff conducts technical reviews for completeness</td>
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<td><strong>OCTOBER – NOVEMBER</strong></td>
<td>U.S. peer review</td>
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<td><strong>NOVEMBER – JANUARY</strong></td>
<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><strong>JANUARY – APRIL</strong></td>
<td>Final decisions are made</td>
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<td><strong>MAY – ONWARD</strong></td>
<td>Participants prepare for departure</td>
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