



FULBRIGHT

Scholar Program

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities for Artists and Professionals

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Today's Presentation

- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- Opportunities for Artists and Professionals
- Alumni Perspective
- 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, 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:





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
 - MFA, MArch, MAJ
 - *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

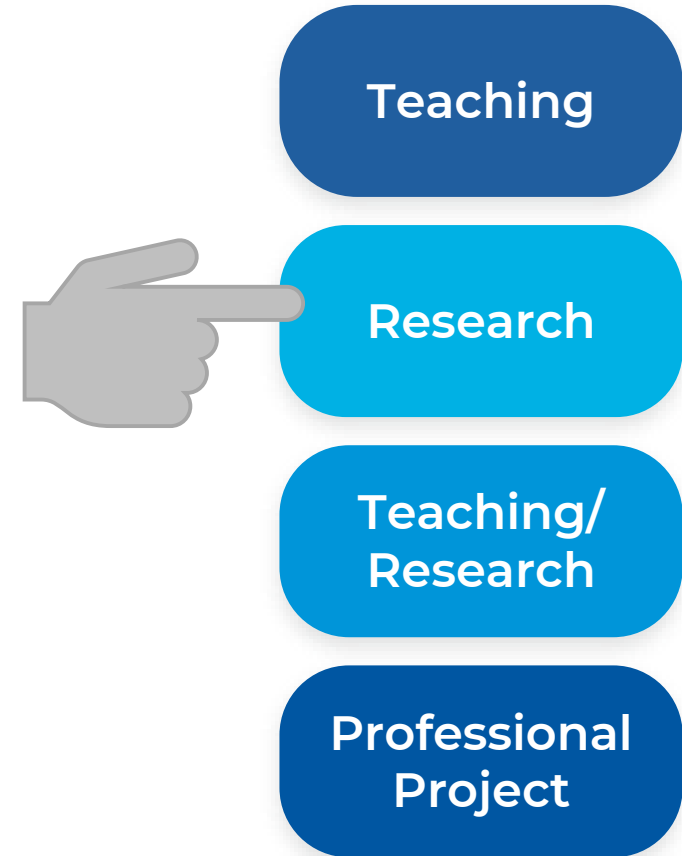




Selecting the Right Award

- **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*





What is a Professional Project?

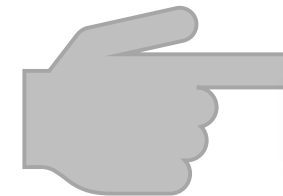
- **Does not answer a defined research question**
- **May include:** professional consultations; artist residencies; visits to organizations in the applicant's field; practical experience in day-to-day operations; public lectures; mentoring; arranging exhibitions, performances, or musical compilations; preparation of print materials (books, articles, or review); exchange of expertise with other professionals; participation in public events; or other professional activities

Teaching

Research

Teaching/
Research

Professional
Project





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

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

CAREER PROFILE
Professionals

NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS
Exactly 1

AWARD START PERIOD
January 2024

AWARD LENGTH
3 months

FLEX OPTION
No

MULTI-COUNTRY/AREA AWARD
No

DISCIPLINES
Education



Artists and Professionals: Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program 2024-25 Competition



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Artists and Professionals: Opportunity is waiting for you around the world!



- 104 awards for Artists
- 197 awards for Professionals
- 118 awards do not require a Ph.D. or Terminal Degree
- Most of these opportunities are for **all disciplines** and are in **every world region**
- Looking for a country or award that we don't mention? Remember that this is just a fraction of what's available!





Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship

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- The Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship provides opportunities for U.S. early and mid-career professionals and practitioners to serve in placements in a foreign government ministry around the world (*Applicants should not contact potential host ministries to organize or advocate for a placement*).
- Fellows will serve as “technical specialists” in a foreign government ministry or institution, 80% of the time immersing themselves in ongoing assignments and new initiatives, at the direction and under the supervision of host government officials.
- Self-directed professional project, 20% of the time
- Four to nine months
- Approximately 12 globally





Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship Eligibility

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- U.S. citizenship at the time of application
- Desired qualifications include:
 - Graduate degree in a public-policy related field (e.g., JD, MPA, MPH)
 - 3 to 5 years public policy relevant experience
 - Language skills depends on the country





Participating Regions and Countries

AFRICA

- Botswana
- Ghana
- Rwanda

EAST ASIA & THE PACIFIC

- Cambodia
- Fiji
- Thailand
- Timor-Leste
- Vietnam

WESTERN HEMISPHERE

- Colombia
- Peru





Europe and Eurasia

- **Albania:** [Climate Change – Education and Advocacy](#)
- **Belgium:** [NATO Security Studies](#)
- **Iceland:** [Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Arctic Scholar \(Multiple Disciplines\)](#)
- **Kosovo:** [Improvement of Policy Making in Higher Education](#)
- **Norway:** [Digital Culture](#)
- **Spain:** [International Studies at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid](#)
- **United Kingdom:** [Fulbright-Queen's University Belfast Scholar Award \(Creative Writing\)](#)





Europe and Eurasia

- **Bulgaria:** [Special Award in Journalism](#)
- **Finland:** [Mid-Career Professional Development Award](#)
- **Ireland:** [Visual Arts: Museum Studies Award](#)
- **North Macedonia:** [Rule of Law, Judiciary Reform, and Civil Society](#)
- **Romania:** [Media Literacy and Cybersecurity](#)
- **Greece-Iceland:** [Joint Award for Arts and Design](#)





East Asia and Pacific

- **Japan:** Journalism
- **Australia:** Distinguished Chair in Entrepreneurship and Innovation at RMIT University
- **Taiwan:** Arts, Education, Humanities, Professional Fields and Social Sciences
- **Philippines:** US-Philippine Relations
- **Malaysia:** Scholar Award in All Disciplines





Western Hemisphere

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- **Canada:** [Research Chairs in Indigenous Studies](#)
- **Guyana:** [STEM and Agriculture](#)
- **Suriname:** [All Disciplines](#)
- **Uruguay:** [Agriculture](#)





Sub-Saharan Africa

- Teaching experience sought in Sub-Saharan Africa
- Artistic Research possible
- 12 awards do not require a Ph.D. or Terminal Degree
- **Cabo Verde:** All Disciplines
- **Zambia:** Journalism and Broadcasting:





Middle East and North Africa

- **Bahrain:** Business and Economics
- TEFL/Applied Linguistics in **Algeria, Jordan and Palestinian Territories**
- Egypt: **Visual and Performing Arts**
- **Kuwait and Oman:** Multiple Disciplines
- **Bahrain and Qatar:** All Disciplines





South and Central Asia

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



Alumni Perspectives



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Carlos Franco-Paredes

Fulbright U.S. Scholar – Panama (2022-2023)
Professional Project



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Project: Emerging Infectious Diseases Among Displaced Indigenous Communities in Coclecito, Panama 2022-2023





Colleagues at the Instituto Gorgas de Estudios de la Salud, Panamá



- Long-term collaborations
 - Research
 - Teaching
 - Scholarship
- Long-term friendships



Guenet Abraham

Fulbright U.S. Scholar – Ethiopia (2017-2018)
Research



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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)*





Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship Application Components

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- Application Form
- Essay Questions
- Curriculum Vitae or Resume
- Letters of Reference
- Language Proficiency Report and Evaluation





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



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