

# Fulbright U.S. Scholar Opportunities in Brazil

## Webinar Q&A Box Questions and Answers

*These questions have been anonymized. Any question too specific to any one applicant has been removed. Questions answered live will appear only in the video recording.*

Question	Answer
Is it possible to join via the telephone?	Hi! I believe it's possible, however you won't be able to unmute yourself.
If I am a US citizen currently doing a master's program at a university in Brazil, what type of Fulbright scholarship should I apply to?	Thank you for your question! This program is primarily for scholars and professionals. Since you're a current student, we suggest you check out the Fulbright U.S Student Program.
Can you be a tenure-track professor/early career scholar and apply?	Thank you for your question. Yes, you can still apply! Just make sure you read the award details to see what career type the award (early career, postdoc, etc) is looking for.
If an applicant is an alum of a different Fulbright program (ie the Fulbright-Hays DDRA program), will be considered negatively, positively, or neutrally among reviewers?	Hello! This is a great thing to write about in your "Cultural Preparation" short essay. This will show us that you are accustomed to being a cultural ambassador/ citizen diplomat and are likely to adapt well to life in Brazil.
Is there any opportunities for Brazilian students?	Thank you for your question! This program is for scholars and professionals in the U.S to teach/research in other countries. If you're a student and U.S citizen, we suggest reaching out to the Fulbright U.S Student Program.
In the case of the sandwich doctorate, how can I consult the American universities accredited in the program?	Hello! Could you please clarify what you mean by "sandwich doctorate?"
How much of this discussion today is relevant to the Fulbright Specialist program? Or is this presentation mostly about larger projects (for example, a yearlong)?	Hello! This is a presentation of the Scholar program, not the Specialist Program, which is administered by another firm. Please search for the Specialist Program to find more guidance!
Does it include "project"? Which is included in the application but not on the slide.	Hello! Do you mean the "project statement?" We certainly have that component.
I meant, there is teaching, researching, and project	That will depend on the award. Some awards accept Professional Projects, but others do not.
The Doctoral Program Dissertation Research Award (DDRA)	Ah. This I believe is a Fulbright-Hays program. The "Dissertation Research Abroad" grant? That is not administered by our program but by the State Department directly. Please also consider the Fulbright Student program for your doctoral research at <a href="http://us.fulbrightonline.org">us.fulbrightonline.org</a> .
I am a full professor of sociology and I study race, identity and migration. My prior research has focused	Hello Nicole, we don't have urban studies in this year's catalog for Brazil. But you can reach out to the Federal

<p>in European (northern) migration flows and citizenship studies. I would love to explore these topics in Brazil on the Distinguished Award but don't see Urban Studies listed. Can you please elaborate on whether it is appropriate to apply for the Racial Studies award?</p> <p>Thank you</p>	<p>University in Salvador and discuss your project with them before making a decision. The professor is Wlamyra Albuquerque at wlamyra@gmail.com</p>
<p>I'm a bit confused about the Distinguished Scholar Award on Climate Change and Environment. The Fulbright site indicates that this award is hosted by PUC-Rio's Environmental Center. On the slide, it indicated that this would be in Porte Alegre. Can you clarify?</p>	<p>Hi Peter, I'm sorry about the confusion. The correct information is Rio de Janeiro. The information you have seen in the Fulbright site is correct</p>
<p>Is it possible to stay in Brazil for a year?</p>	<p>Hello! Most Scholar awards are from 3-9 months, structured around an academic year. Visas beyond that are outside of my area of expertise, but you can contact Fulbright Brazil with the contact on the Award Requirements tab of the award that most interests you.</p>
<p>is it possible to apply to more than one of the grants in Brazil?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! Unfortunately, you can only apply to one award per cycle.</p>
<p>For interdisciplinary, specifically in Belem with the topic of Sustainability, is would research Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) qualify for this Award?</p>	<p>Hello! I think that would work so long as it is under sustainability, and you have the qualifications desired by the award.</p>
<p>As for the letter of recommendation from my employer, does it have to from the dean or can be the chair of my department?</p>	<p>Hello! It can be from whomever you think would write you the best, most vivid letter. It does not need to be the most "important" person.</p>
<p>Can I apply for the Fulbright to a specific university in a state/region that is not listed amongst the current grants?</p>	<p>Yes! The way to do this in Brazil is via the All-Disciplines award.</p>
<p>Is it possible to do the first flex visit in the July-November period (Fall semester in U.S.) and the second flex period in the January-May period (Spring semester in the U.S.)?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes, this sounds like it would work to me. Please check the individual award to which you are applying, however, to make sure this lines up with their academic calendar.</p>
<p>While English might be sufficient, should we submit a language proficiency evaluation if we are proficient in Portuguese? Or is this unnecessary regardless? What is your recommendation?</p>	<p>Hello! I would recommend doing this anyway if you can. If it is needed for your project, it is essential. If not, it shows your "cultural preparation," which is something we ask about in a short essay.</p>
<p>For the teaching component, are we eligible to teach undergraduates, or is it only grad students?</p>	<p>Hello! This will depend on the award. Awards tend to spell out who the students would be. If you are looking at the All-Disciplines award, this would be for you to discuss with your potential host depending on their needs/interest.</p>
<p>is the 'all disciplines award' part of the awards discussed in this presentation? Or is this a different type of award? Is the application form the same? How do I access the application for the Fulbright awards?</p>	<p>Hello! I believe Patricia discussed it briefly, but basically for that one you choose your host institution. This award and all other materials you will need are at <a href="http://fulbrightscholars.org">fulbrightscholars.org</a>.</p>
<p>my wife and dog can go with me? Can she work?</p>	<p>Hello! People often bring their dependents. However, for the idea of an animal and permission to work on your visas, you will need to contact Fulbright Brazil. Their contact is on any award's "Award Requirements" tab.</p>

<p>Dear Julia, how many candidates applied for the "All Disciplines Scholar Awards" in the past year?</p>	<p>Hello! We cannot share competitiveness data. Please do consider if a more specific award will work for you, though, as you will be more competitive in a smaller pool.</p>
<p>If we are native speakers of Portuguese, do we need to provide any documentation to attest to our language skills?</p>	<p>Hello! No, you will just attest to your being a native speaker.</p>
<p>Or, how many candidates for each one of the 10 awards you used to have in that call ("All Disciplines Scholar Awards")</p>	<p>Hello! I cannot share these numbers either. But more specific awards appeal to fewer people, so please keep that in mind.</p>
<p>At the start of the webinar, it was said that there is a public health grant for Rio de Janeiro. May humanities scholars apply for humanities-based grants in Rio for 2024-2025?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes, there are other awards open to humanists. If you do not see another that works for you, consider the All-Disciplines awards.</p>
<p>Is the amount received monthly fixed or does it depend on getting a job?</p>	<p>It is fixed. It will be on every "Award Benefits" page of each award.</p>
<p>Dear Julia, is there any recommendation about the elaboration of the project statement? How many pages are allowed?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! For more in-depth info about the project statement, please see our website: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a></p>
<p>How to participate in the program while in the master's degree?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! This program is for scholars and professionals. If you're a current student, we suggest reaching out to the Fulbright U.S Student Program.</p>
<p>They should find Yorubá in ritual spaces in the Cadomblé terreiros but not on the streets.</p>	<p>Thank you!</p>
<p>Is PUCPR an option for hosting</p>	<p>Yes!</p>
<p>How do I request a letter of acceptance from a US university?</p>	<p>Please search for the Fulbright Foreign Student Program; we do not administer these awards.</p>
<p>Can I apply for Visiting Professor/Researcher at UC San Diego Public Health and apply for Visiting Professor/Researcher in all areas at the same Institution, i.e., US San Diego Public Health?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! You can only apply to one award per cycle.</p>
<p>Dear all, I have a doubt about the "Teaching Syllabus". What is this?</p>	<p>This is a plan for a course you will be teaching. It can also be called a "course outline."</p>
<p>Are all Brazilian universities eligible to host a U.S. scholars without exception or is there a list of acceptable schools?</p>	<p>Hello! It will need to be an accredited institution. If you have a doubt, please verify with Fulbright Brazil that this institution works. Their contact is on the Award Requirements page of each award.</p>
<p>Good afternoon, Cassie thank you for holding this event! I have a question. My wife is a psychology graduate student who will graduate from her master's program in January. She is interested in applying for this program and is interested in doing research in Brazil regarding the foster care and residential care systems in the country. My wife is a dual Brazilian - U.S. citizen and is fluent in Portuguese and English. My question is as follows. With her future degree being in psychology, would she be encouraged to apply for the interdisciplinary award only / all disciplines, or do you believe she could also apply for a medical sciences</p>	<p>Hello! For future degrees, she needs to consider the Fulbright student program, not scholar. Please see <a href="http://fulbrightonline.org">fulbrightonline.org</a>.</p>

<p>grant? She is from Sao Paulo, so this would be an ideal place for her to be based.</p>	
<p>I did not see any award opportunity for Engineering for Brazil am I correct?</p>	<p>You can apply to all disciplines award!</p>
<p>Is there an online forum where I can ask questions and read testimonials?</p>	<p>If you have questions about Brazil, please email <a href="mailto:WestHem@iie.org">WestHem@iie.org</a></p>
<p>I choose Brazil because I performed (musicians) there a few times and was involved in a 2-week music festival. Does that make me less qualified according to what you just said since I am not going to be there for the first time? However, my previous experiences were the reason I would like to apply for Fulbright for a 3-month stay.</p>	<p>This sounds great to me! This is not the kind of "extensive experience" that will disqualify.</p>
<p>Thank you for all the clarifications and presentations! I have some personal follow-up questions that I believe would be best for the Fulbright Commission in Brazil. In this case, would Patricia be the best person to reach out to? Obrigado!</p>	<p><a href="mailto:westhem@iie.org">westhem@iie.org</a></p>
<p>Hello, I'm a film scholar studying cultural policy and cinema and was hoping to apply for the award to be able to attend different film festivals. Would I be allowed to be based at the host university but also travel to these festivals? Thank you!</p>	<p>Yes, that can work!</p>
<p>The master's degree in Brazil is a postgraduate degree. What is the equivalent in the US? Would it be the same as a PhD?</p>	<p>Please see <a href="http://fulbrightonline.org">fulbrightonline.org</a> for the student program.</p>