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# Fulbright Scholar Program Opportunities

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# The Fulbright Program



- Established 1946 to expand and strengthen the relationships between the people of the United States and citizens of the rest of the world
- Sponsored by U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and administered by the Institute of International Education's Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES)



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# Fulbright in Numbers



**380,000+**

Fulbrights awarded since 1946



**800**

U.S. Scholar grants annually



**160**

Participants countries



**37**

Heads of State or Government



**59**

Nobel Laureates



**84**

Pulitzer Prize recipients

MacArthur  
Foundation

**71**

MacArthur Fellows



**16**

Presidential Medal of Freedom recipients



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# Diversity and 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.

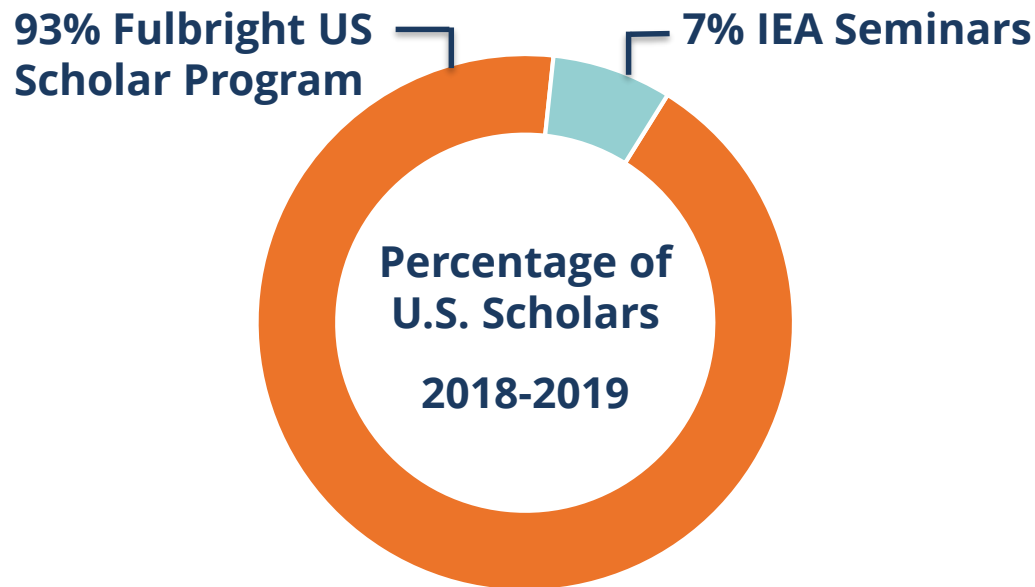


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# Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

- Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program
- International Education Administrator Seminars
- Collaborative Research



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# Eligibility for U.S. Scholar Programs

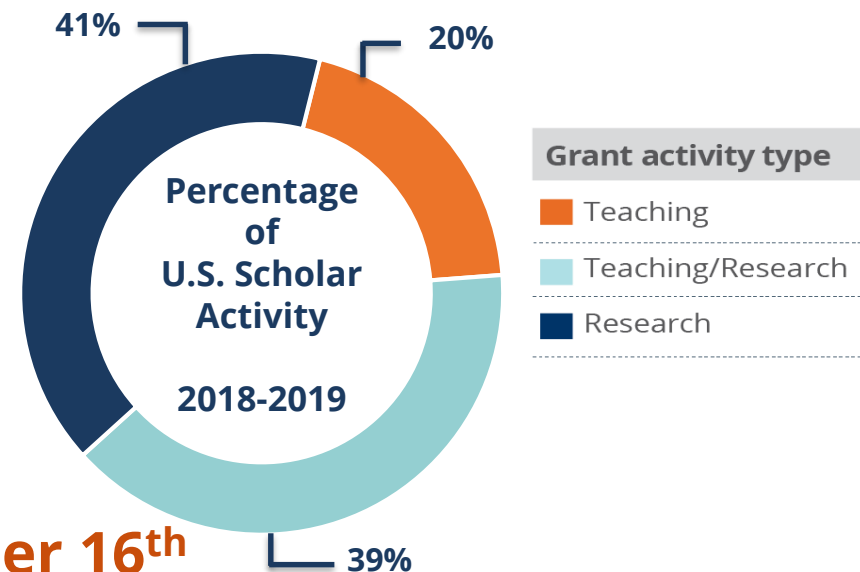
- U.S. citizenship
- Degree as required by award
  - Ph.D. or other terminal degree may be required
  - Many awards are open to applicants with a Master's and professional or academic experience
  - Recent Master's degree recipients and undergraduate degree holders are eligible for the Fulbright U.S. Student Program
- Open to professionals and artists outside academia with recognized standing and substantial accomplishments
- Teaching experience as required by award
- Candidates who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces are encouraged to apply
- [New policies](#) on previous Fulbright Scholar grants and waiting periods between grants





# Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

- Supports teaching and/or research for two to 12 months
- Programs active in +130 countries
- For faculty, administrators and professionals
- Open to all disciplines
- Apply to specific award with proposed project
- Application deadline: **September 16<sup>th</sup>**
- Variety of host institutions



# Fulbright Program Process

1

What do you want to do  
and/or where do you  
want to go?

2

Develop project  
and identify  
location

3

Apply

4

Peer Review  
and  
Selection

5



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# South and Central Asia: Overview

- Over 80 grants in 11 countries
- Regional Overview



*“Personally, my nine months in Uzbekistan were one of the most rewarding experiences of my life [...] Professionally, the experience was even more transformative for me.”*



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# Regional Highlights

## *New Awards*

- **Central Asia:** Teaching English as a Foreign Language
  - Teach students and/or junior level English teachers/faculty
  
- **India:** Fulbright Kalam Climate Fellowship
  - Goal is to build long-term capacity to address climate change related issues by engaging scientific and technical research scholars from both India and the United States.

## **Regional Research Opportunity:**

- South and Central Asia Regional Research Program
  - 3- 9 month grant to conduct a research project in 2-3 countries on a topic of regional importance (historical or contemporary)



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# Central Asia

- **Kazakhstan:** [All Disciplines](#)
  - Teach, research or teach/research (50:50 ratio)
  
- **Kyrgyz Republic:** [All Disciplines](#)
  - Teach and/or research for 5 to 10 months
  
- **Tajikistan:** [All Disciplines](#)
  - 4 to 9 month grant supporting teaching or teaching/research (80:20 ratio)
  
- **Turkmenistan:** [Multiple Disciplines](#)
  - 10 month teaching grant in select disciplines
  
- **Uzbekistan:** [All Disciplines](#)
  - Teach or teach/research for 5 or 10 months



# South Asia

- **Bhutan:** Multiple Disciplines
  - Teaching grant for 10 months; letter of affiliation should not be sought
- **India:** Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Awards (All Disciplines) (4-9 months)
  - Fulbright-Nehru Distinguished Chair (All Disciplines) (4 months)
- **Maldives:** All Disciplines – Teaching grant for 6 months
- **Nepal:** All Disciplines - Research  
All Disciplines Teaching/Research (80:20 ratio) – List of host institutions in Kathmandu
- **Pakistan:** All Disciplines
- **Sri Lanka:** All Disciplines



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# Regional Award Benefits

Once on your grant, you are eligible for:

- **South and Central Asia Fulbright Regional Travel Grant**
  - Apply for funding to engage in variety of activities in the region such as lectures, seminars, conferences, curriculum development, needs assessment, etc. Activities may not include research. Covers transportation costs.
  
- **South and Central Asia Fulbright Midyear Conference**
  - Opportunity to join other Fulbrighters from across the SCA region for the annual midyear conference held in India, either in February or March (if your grant dates coincide with the conference dates). Funding to attend the conference is provided as an additional grant benefit.



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# Selecting the Right Award

- Match your expertise, experience and proposal to the award description
- Regional experience and language ability
- Discipline preferences listed in the award
- Relevance of the project to the country; why will host country benefit from your project?
- Career level - early career, postdoctoral, mid-level, Distinguished Chair



# A Fulbright that Works for You

- Flex option
  - Available in approximately 63 countries and 2 world areas
  - Allows multiple visits over two years
- Awards throughout your career:
  - Postdoctoral awards
  - Early Career
  - Distinguished Chair
- Multi-country awards
- Global Scholar Award
- Home university affiliation is not required. Applications from artists and professionals, independent and emeriti scholars are welcomed!



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# Application Resources

- [Fulbright Scholar Program website](#) and [Catalog of Awards](#)
- **Apply**
  - [Application](#) and [Application Instructions](#)
  - [Application Guidelines, Project Statement Guidance](#) and [Samples](#)
- **Learn**
  - [Webinars](#)
  - The Fulbright Scholar [Blog](#)
- **Connect**
  - [MyFulbright](#)



# Application Components

- Application Form
- Project Statement
- Curriculum Vitae or Resume
- Letters of Reference
- Additional components, depending on award
  - Course Outlines or Syllabi (for teaching awards)
  - Select Bibliography (for research awards)
  - Language Proficiency Report
  - Letter of Invitation
  - Supplemental materials for applicants in the Arts, Architecture, Writing and Journalism



# Project Statement

- Your opportunity to lay out your proposed **project specifics** in as much detail as possible
- Why Fulbright and why this country/institution/organizations?
- Focus on what you plan to **do**; the specific courses you plan to teach/the methods and goals of your research
- Outcomes from the grant - impact on hosts, home institution and you
- How adaptable are you? How well will you deal with challenging situations?



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# Affiliations and Invitations

## Host Institution:

- If a host is identified, it will be found under Location in the Catalog
- When a host is not identified, there are several resources to help find an affiliation:
  - International office on your campus
  - U.S. and Visiting [Fulbright Scholar Directory](#)
  - Review award description for suggested hosts or resources

## Letter of Invitation:

- Non-binding expression of interest from proposed host abroad
- Should come from person with whom you will be collaborating
- Should be on host institution letterhead





# Submitting a Competitive Application

- Address the Fulbright goal of promoting mutual understanding
- Why you are interested in a Fulbright and why in your proposed host country
- Professional expertise and skills you can offer; benefits to the host institution and host country; exchange of knowledge and experience
- Cultural diplomacy; demonstrated flexibility, adaptability
- Outcomes, impact, and multiplier effect
  - for your professional development, home campus, students, field at large; for your host institution
  - future collaborations; linkages: personal, professional, institutional; plans for sustaining relationships
  - internationalizing campus and curriculum





# Review Process and Timeline

**SEPT. 16**

Application deadline

**SEPT.**

Program staff conduct technical reviews for completeness

**OCT. - NOV.**

U.S. peer review

**DEC.**

Applicants notified of status - Recommended applications are sent to host countries and to the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board

**JAN. - APR.**

Grantees notified of final approvals

**MAY - onward**

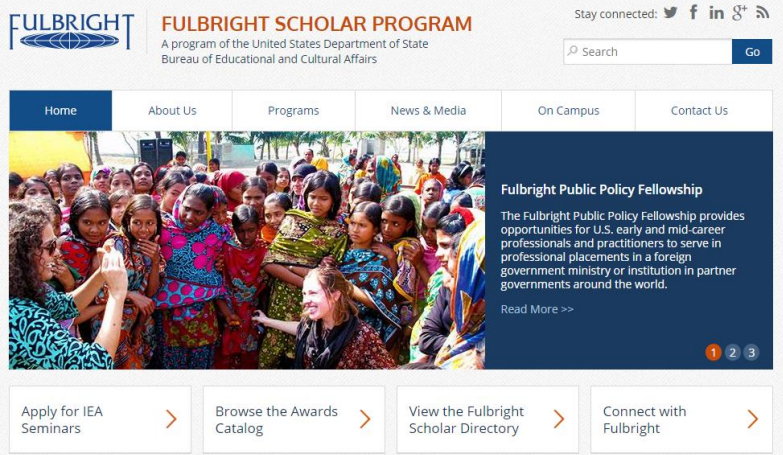
Grantees prepare for grants



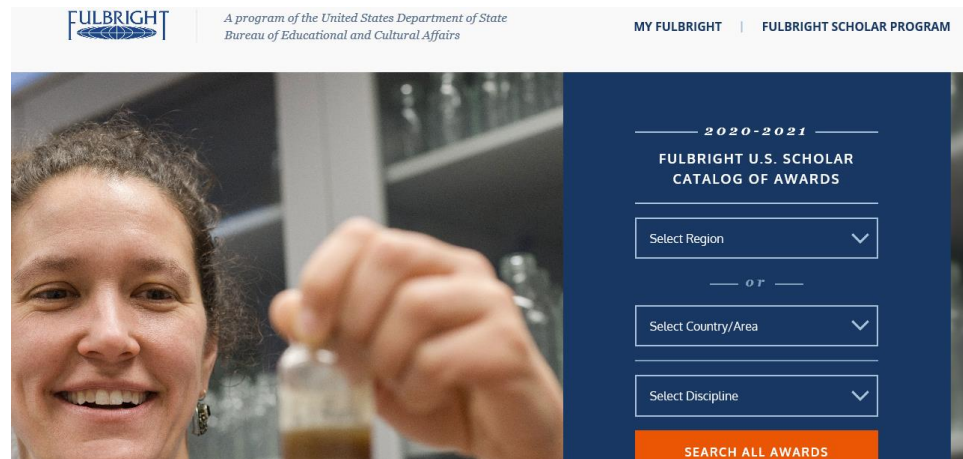
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# Website and Catalog of Awards



The screenshot shows the Fulbright Scholar Program website. At the top left is the Fulbright logo. To its right is the text "FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR PROGRAM" and "A program of the United States Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs". Further right are social media icons for Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, and Google+, along with the text "Stay connected:". Below this is a search bar with a "Go" button. A navigation menu includes "Home", "About Us", "Programs", "News & Media", "On Campus", and "Contact Us". The main content area features a large image of a group of women in colorful traditional attire. Overlaid on this image is a dark blue box with the text "Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship" and a description: "The Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship provides opportunities for U.S. early and mid-career professionals and practitioners to serve in professional placements in a foreign government ministry or institution in partner governments around the world." Below the image are four buttons: "Apply for IEA Seminars", "Browse the Awards Catalog", "View the Fulbright Scholar Directory", and "Connect with Fulbright".



The screenshot shows the search interface for the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Catalog of Awards. On the left is a photo of a smiling woman in a lab coat holding a small vial. On the right is a dark blue search panel. At the top of the panel is the Fulbright logo and the text "A program of the United States Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs". Below this are the links "MY FULBRIGHT" and "FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR PROGRAM". The main heading is "2020-2021 FULBRIGHT U.S. SCHOLAR CATALOG OF AWARDS". There are three dropdown menus: "Select Region", "OF", "Select Country/Area", and "Select Discipline". At the bottom is an orange button labeled "SEARCH ALL AWARDS".



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# Question and Answer

**Q: How can I contact you?**

**A:** E-mail addresses are listed in the award descriptions.

**Q: When is the application deadline?**

**A:** September 16, 2019

**Q: Can I apply to two or more awards in the same competition?**

**A:** No, applicants must select one award.

**Q: Is there a preference for teaching, research, or teaching/research?  
What proportion is required for teaching/research?**

**A:** See award description for any stated preferences; generally open to design of project and capacity of host institution if not otherwise stated in award.



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