

E FULBRIGHT Scholar Program

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities in Social Sciences and Humanities

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Today's Presentation

- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- Opportunities in Social Sciences and Humanities
- 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.
- 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, 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:

900

U.S. scholars and administrators

900

Visiting scholars

2,200

U.S. students

4,000

foreign students

400

language teaching assistants





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 <u>policies</u> 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-today 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**



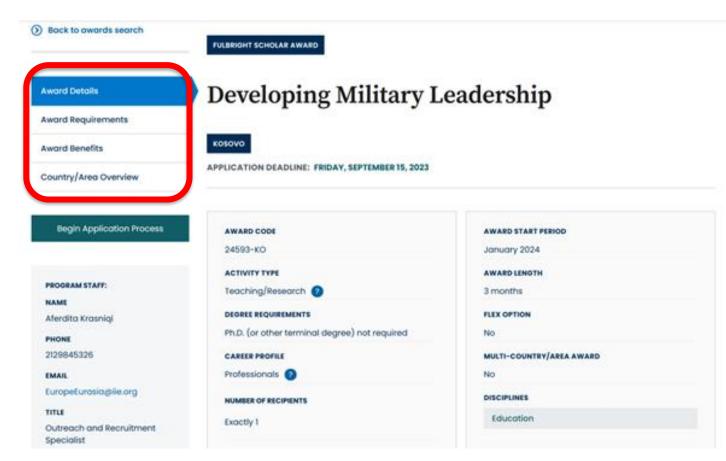


Understanding the Awards

Visit <u>fulbrightscholars.org</u> to search awards

Review important details in:

- award details
- award requirements
- award benefits
- country/area overview





Social Sciences and Humanities: Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program 2024-25 Competition







Social Sciences and Humanities: Opportunity is waiting for you around the world!



- 101 awards in Social Sciences
- 105 awards in Humanities
- 26 awards do not require a Ph.D. or Terminal Degree
- Looking for a country or award that we don't mention? Remember that this is just a fraction of what's available!





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Europe and Eurasia

- Austria: <u>Fulbright-Botstiber Visiting Professor of Austrian-</u> American Studies in Austria
- Iceland: Fulbright Iceland- Ministry of Foreign Affairs Arctic Scholar (Multiple Disciplines)
- Italy: <u>Fulbright-LUISS Research Lectureship in Business</u>, <u>Economics</u>, <u>Law and Political Science</u>
- Finland: <u>Fulbright-Tampere University Scholar Award (All Disciplines)</u>
- France: Fulbright-CY Initiative Award (CY Cergy Paris Université and ESSEC Business School)
- Montenegro: All Disciplines





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- European Union: Fulbright-Schuman Distinguished Scholar Award at the European University Institute (EUI Florence, Italy)
- Hungary: 13 Partner Awards
- Ireland: Investigating Impact through Innovative Research
- North Macedonia: Rule of Law, Judiciary Reform, and Civil Society
- **Portugal**: <u>Fulbright Award in Marketing, Communication & Media Studies / IPL-Politécnico de Lisboa</u>
- **Spain:** Theoretical and Applied Linguistics at Universidad de Murcia
- Turkey (Türkiye): Social Sciences, Humanities, and Arts



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East Asia and Pacific

- Japan: <u>Study of the United States (Teaching in</u>
- Korea: <u>Distinguished Scholar at Yonsei University</u>
- Philippines: <u>U.S.-Philippine Relations</u>

Social Sciences and Humanities)

- Taiwan: <u>Arts, Education, Humanities, Professional</u> <u>Fields and Social Sciences</u> (Postdoctoral and Scholar Opportunities)
- Australia: Partner awards such as:
 - -<u>Fulbright Distinguished Chair in Applied Public Policy</u> (<u>Democratic Resilience</u>) (<u>Flinders University</u>)
 - <u>Fulbright Distinguished Chair in Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences (The Australian National University)</u>







Western Hemisphere

- Barbados and Eastern Caribbean: Multiple Disciplines
- Canada: Research Chairs in Indigenous Studies; North American Studies
- Chile: Social Sciences, Humanities, and Education
- Suriname: All Disciplines
- Uruguay: All Disciplines

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Sub-Saharan Africa

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- This region is looking to build teaching capacity through the many all-disciplines awards offered!
- Eswatini: All Disciplines
- South Africa: Social Sciences and Humanities
- Zambia: Journalism and Broadcasting
- **Zimbabwe**: Public Policy and Governance







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- Bahrain, Qatar: All Disciplines
- Kuwait, United Arab Emirates: Multiple Disciplines
- Jordan: All Disciplines
- Tunisia: All Disciplines
- Israel: Postdoctoral Fellowships





South and Central Asia

• India:

- -<u>Fulbright-Nehru Distinguished Scholar (All Disciplines)</u>
- -<u>Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional</u> <u>Excellence Awards (All Disciplines)</u>
- Sri Lanka: All Disciplines
- Nepal: All Disciplines
- Central Asia:
 - -<u>Kazakhstan</u>
 - -<u>Tajikistan</u>
 - -<u>Uzbekistan</u>





Fulbright Scholar Directory: Scholar Alumni Projects in Social Sciences







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)







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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