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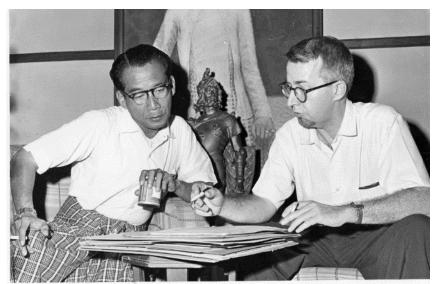


## Virtual Advising for the Western Hemisphere

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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)







# Fulbright in Numbers



**380,000+**Fulbrights awarded since 1946



Nobel
Laureates



U.S. Scholar grants annually



Pulitzer Prize recipients



Participants countries



MacArthur Fellows



Heads of State or Government



Presidential Medal of Freedom recipients







# 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 in the Core Program are open to applicants with a Masters and professional or academic experience – see Award Description for details
- Professionals and artists outside academia recognized professional standing and substantial accomplishments
- Teaching experience as required by award
- New policies on previous Fulbright Scholar grants and waiting periods between grants

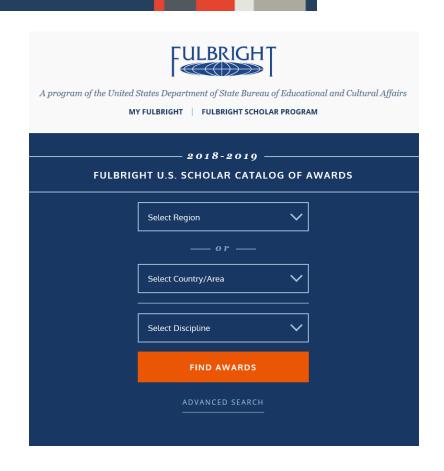






# Selecting the Right Award

- Narrow your search by region, country, discipline
  - Discipline preferences listed in the award
  - All Disciplines awards
- Use advanced search function to search by degree requirements, professional profile, and grant activity
- Relevance of the project to the country; why will host country benefit from your project?









## Western Hemisphere: Overview

- 28 Countries represented from Canada to Chile
- 55 award offerings in the region
- Approximately 195 grants available



"The Fulbright experience has permitted me to begin a new chapter in my U.S.-based research..."

Sarah Gallo, Fulbright US Scholar to Mexico 2016-2017







### Canada



- 9411-CA All Disciplines Award
- 9494-CA Postdoctoral Research Award in Northern Issues
- 9423-CA Distinguished Research Chairs at Carleton University
- Canada Research Chair Awards themed awards with pre-identified hosts. Applicants rank hosts in the proposal. Letters of invitation not required:
  - 9407-CA Research Chairs in Arts, Humanities, and Culture
  - 9410-CA Research Chairs in Business and Economics
  - 9413-CA Research Chairs in Education Science and Technology
  - **9416-CA** Research Chairs in Environmental Sciences
  - 9422-CA Research Chairs in Health/Food Security
  - 9418-CA Research Chairs in Indigenous Studies
  - 9420-CA Research Chairs in North American Studies
  - 9419-CA Research Chairs in Policy, Law, and Governance
  - 9477-MC Fulbright Carlos Rico Award for North American Studies

**Archived Canada Webinar** 









### Mexico

- 9450-MX Postdoctoral Scholar Award
- 9449-MX Fulbright Scholar Border Program
- 9448-MX Science and Technology Award
- 9446-MX Social Sciences and Humanities
- 9451-MX Teaching English as a Foreign Language
- 9447-MX U.S. Studies Chair
- 9477-MC Fulbright Carlos Rico Award for North American Studies

## **Archived Mexico Webinar**







### Brazil



- 9398-BR All Disciplines Award- 30 Grants!
- 9400-BR Post Doctoral Award in Natural Sciences
- 9397-BR Distinguished Chair in International Relations at the University of Sao Paulo
- 9399-BR FACEPE Distinguished Chair in STEM+C
- 9401-BR Distinguished Chair in Public Policy at EIPP/FUNDAJ

**Archived Brazil Webinar** 







#### Colombia and Venezuela

### Colombia

- 9434-CO All Disciplines
- 9433-CO Universidad Nacional de Colombia Distinguished Chair in Biodiversity and Sustainable Development

## Venezuela

- Multiple Disciplines award- Flex Only
- Information available in our catalog soon.
- The awarding of a Fulbright U.S. Scholar grant is contingent upon receipt of a visa from the Government of Venezuela. Selected Fulbright Scholar candidates who do not receive their visa by May 15, 2019, will not receive a Fulbright grant.









#### The Southern Cone: Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay

- Argentina
  - 9391-AR Science and Technology
  - 9392-AR Social Sciences and Humanities
- Chile
  - 9430-CL Astronomy and Antarctic Study Awards- Post Doctoral/Early Career
  - 9431-CL Science and Technology
  - 9432-CL Social Sciences, Humanities, and Education
- Paraguay
  - 9455-PA All Disciplines
- Uruguay
  - 9460-UY All Disciplines
  - 9461-UY Agriculture















#### All Disciplines Awards in the Western Hemisphere

#### **All Disciplines Awards**

- Available in 23 countries in the Western Hemisphere
- Support a variety of activities
- Open to all disciplines but may have preferences
- Open to a variety of host institutions

Bahamas
Barbados/Eastern Caribbean
Belize
Bolivia
Brazil
Canada
Colombia
Costa Rica
Dominican Republic
Ecuador
El Salvador
Guatemala
Guyana
Haiti
Honduras
Jamaica
Nicaragua
Panama
Paraguay
Peru
Suriname
Trinidad and Tobago
Uruguay

#### **All Disciplines Awards**

Available in all regions of the Western Hemisphere

- North America
- Central America
- The Caribbean
- South America







## A Fulbright that Works for You

- Flex option
  - Available in 25 Western Hemisphere countries
  - Allows multiple visits over two years
- Awards throughout your career:
  - Postdoctoral awards
  - Early Career
  - Distinguished Chair
- Carlos Rico Award: Canada/Mexico
- Global Scholar Award
- Home university affiliation is not required. Applications from artists and professionals, independent and emeriti scholars are welcomed!









## **Application Components**

- Application Form
- Project Statement
- Curriculum Vitae or Resume
- Course Outlines or Syllabi (for teaching awards)
- Select Bibliography (for research awards)
- Letters of Reference
- Additional Components, Depending on Award
  - 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
- Mow adaptable are you? How well will you deal with challenging situations?









### Special Award Features and Requirements

- Language Requirements
  - Spanish, Portuguese, French or Haitian Creole, Dutch may be required.
  - Levels will vary by country and award.
- Regional Travel Award
  - During their grant period, Fulbright U.S. Scholars in the Western Hemisphere region may apply for a short-term regional travel grant in eligible WHA countries.
  - The Regional Travel Program covers travel to and from the destination; lodging may be offered by the hosting institution.
  - Scholars apply for this grant once in country on their Fulbright grant.







## 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 <u>Fulbright Scholar Directory</u>
  - 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







#### Affiliations and Invitations- Considerations for the Western Hemisphere

- Some countries ask that language requirements be addressed in the letter of invitation: e.g.: Brazil
- Some countries/systems of higher education may require the letter of invitation to come from a high-level administrator: e.g.: Argentina
- Some countries will make placements for some awards, and do not require letters of invitation: e.g.: Canada, Mexico.
- Some countries require finances to be input into the letter of invitation: e.g.: Chile- host institution must contribute to grant.







# 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 Criteria**

#### Teaching

- Match of academic, professional or artistic expertise to the award
- Teaching ability and requisite experience
- Quality and feasibility
- Outcomes, potential impact and benefits

#### Research

- Intellectual merits
- Suitability and feasibility
- Need for residence in the host country
- Evidence of host institution interest and affiliation
- Outcomes, potential impact and benefits







## **Review Process and Timeline**

AUG.

Program staff conduct technical reviews for completeness

SEPT.

Discipline-specific committees review applications

SEPT. – EARLY NOV.

U.S. peer review committees discuss applications for a single geographical region

NOV. - JAN.

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

FEB. - MAY

Grantees notified of final approvals

MAY - JUNE

Grant packets sent to grantees







## **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









## Stay Connected to the Fulbright Scholar Program

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