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Scholar Program

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities in France

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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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Fulbright U.S. Scholar Awards give opportunities to U.S. citizens to teach, research, carry out professional projects, and participate in seminars around the world.

Why Fulbright?

Fulbright is transformational.

- Foster sustainable partnerships
- Expand your publishing network and gain new teaching perspectives
- Serve as a cultural ambassador
- Gain the professional recognition as being identified as a Fulbright Scholar
- Join a vibrant and supportive 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 **scholar liaisons** and **alumni** as resources



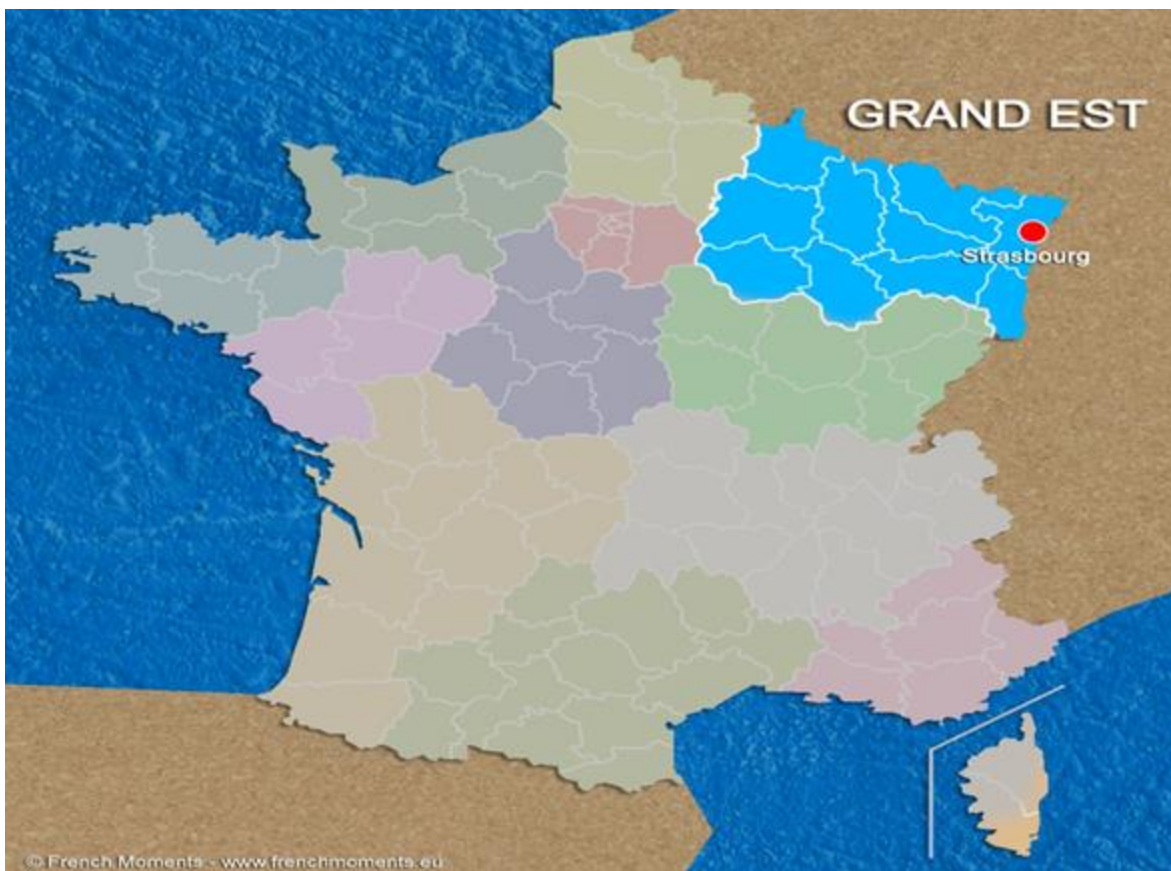


Eligibility for U.S. Scholar Program

- **U.S. citizenship**
- **Degree and experience**, as required by award:
 - Ph.D. or other terminal degree
 - MA and higher education teaching or professional experience
 - Professional and/or artistic experience with substantial accomplishments
 - Teaching experience as required
- **Fulbright U.S. Scholar alums are eligible**; two year waiting period between end of your last Fulbright U.S. Scholar award and next application



Fulbright Award for Research in Eastern France (Grand Est)



- 3-12 months research
- Open to all level of scholars
- **STEM fields**

→ **digital, industrial, environmental/energy transition, and health**

Fulbright Award for Research in Northern France (Hauts-de-France)

- 3-12 months research
- Open to all level of Scholars
- **All fields**

environmental and climate sciences, health, and artificial intelligence



Fulbright Award for Research in Southwestern France (Nouvelle Aquitaine)



- 3-9 months research
- Open to all level of Scholars
- Priority for projects outside of Bordeaux (La Rochelle, Limoges, Poitiers, Pau)
- **Energy, Lasers, African Studies, Biodiversity, and MANY more fields**



Fulbright-Iméra-Aix-Marseille Université Chair in Migration Studies

- Grant Activity: Research
- 6-10 months (10 months strongly preferred)
- Career Profile: Mid-Career and Senior Scholars
- Disciplines: Any discipline related to population migration
- Free housing!





Fulbright-CY Cergy Initiative Award (CY Cergy Paris University and ESSEC Business School)

- 4 to 10 months, research or a combination of teaching and research
- mathematics and physics; heritage science; business and finance; ETC.
- On-campus housing available





Postdoctoral Award in the Social Sciences - EHESS

- Grant Activity: Research
- 12 months
- Degree Requirement: Ph.D. by time of arrival in France
- Career Profile: Early career
- Disciplines: Social sciences, cognitive science



Université Grenoble Alpes Award

- Grant Activity: Research
- 3-6 months
- Career Profile: Early, mid career, senior academics
- Disciplines: Any field



Université de Montpellier Award

BRAND NEW!

- Grant Activity: Research
- 3-10 months
- Career Profile: Early, mid career, senior academics
- Disciplines: Any field, but a preference for projects relating to food safety, environment, human health



Other France fellowships

All Disciplines Award

- 3 to 6 months research, Scholars at any career level, including artists and professionals
- Any field
- Collaborate with colleagues at French research centers and higher education institutions

French Studies Award

- For projects specifically in humanities, social sciences, political science, relating to France

Tocqueville Distinguished Scholar Award

- For mid-career to senior academics
- 6 months of teaching and research
- All disciplines

Note: Scholars with any one of these awards based in Lyon may be considered for free housing at the Collegium de Lyon



International Education Administrators (IEA) Award

- One-and-a-half-week seminar in France
- Open to U.S. international education professionals and senior higher education officials
- Paris and one other location in France
- Participate in a group seminar
- Briefing, campus visits, appointments with government officials, networking, cultural activities, meetings with French international education professionals





NEW: HBCU International Education Administrators (IEA) Award

- Two week seminar in France and Senegal
- Open to U.S. international education professionals at HBCUs
- Briefing, campus visits, appointments with government officials, networking, cultural activities, meetings with French/Senegalese international education professionals



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2022-2023

Scholar Award

Comparative Study of Stakeholder Interpretations of Sustainability and Organizational Authenticity



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2022-2023

Scholar Award

Moving Citizens: Migrant Political Cultures in the Era of State Control



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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)*





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

The 2025-26 Fulbright U.S. Scholar Competition: Now Open!

FEBRUARY	Competition Opens
SEPTEMBER 16	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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