



FULBRIGHT

Scholar Program



# Before we get started...

- Please make sure to keep your videos off and microphones muted during the presentations.
- Ask questions through the chat box. Q&A will take place during the final 15 minutes of the webinar.
- A link to the live captioning stream will be accessible in the chat box.
- There will be an ASL interpreter.
- If you will need the ASL interpreter, please use the chat box to alert the presenter, so we can ensure the interpreter can view your video.
- Alternatively, we will also spotlight the interpreters video to be seen throughout presentation and slides.
- This webinar will be recorded. The slides and webinar recording will be sent to you by next week.



# Opportunities for Scholars with Disabilities

**Athena Mison Fulay**

Outreach and Recruitment Manager  
Fulbright Scholar Program  
Institute of International Education  
Washington, DC

**Monica Malhotra**

Program Manager  
National Clearinghouse on  
Disability and Exchange  
Mobility International USA (MIUSA)  
Eugene, OR

**Michael A. Schwartz**

Fulbright Scholar to the U.K.  
Associate Professor of Law  
Director, Disability Rights Clinic  
Syracuse University  
Syracuse, NY

**David Levin**

Senior Program Manager  
Bureau of Educational and  
Cultural Affairs  
U.S. Department of State  
Washington, DC

June 18, 2020





## Mission

---

- In partnership with 160 countries worldwide, Fulbright offers passionate and accomplished faculty, administrator, 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.





# Fulbright by the Numbers

The Fulbright Program funds over 8,000 awards annually:

- **800 U.S. scholars and administrators**
- 900 visiting scholars
- 2,200 U.S. students
- 4,000 foreign students
- 400+ language teaching assistants

Approximately 390,000 “Fulbrighters” have participated in the program since its inception in 1946.





# 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.





# National Clearinghouse on Disability & Exchange

- An ongoing project to increase participation of people with disabilities in international exchange
- We provide practical advice and referrals for people with disabilities on international exchange options and planning
- We provide technical assistance to the international exchange providers on disability inclusion practices and policies
- Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)
- Administered by Mobility International USA





# Funding Reasonable Accommodations

- The U.S. State Department and cooperating agency staff are committed to providing reasonable accommodations.
- Disability-related accommodations are intended to remove barriers and provide equal access.
- If accommodations have costs, this does not reduce participant grants/stipend amounts; if costs are high, cost-sharing is between program partners.
- Specifics of what is needed is case by case, so discuss this early with Fulbright staff to give them time for planning with you and partners.







# National Clearinghouse on Disability & Exchange



## NCDE Resources

- Free advising
- Online Stories
- Disability Travel Tips
- Social Media Campaigns
- Learn more at [www.miusa.org/ncde](http://www.miusa.org/ncde)





# Michael A. Schwartz



Fulbright Scholar to the U.K.

Associate Professor of Law

Director, Disability Rights Clinic

Syracuse University

Syracuse, NY





# Questions & Answers



The Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program 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.





# Stay connected with us.

Join MyFulbright at [cies2.org](https://cies2.org)

Email us at [scholars@iie.org](mailto:scholars@iie.org)

Visit our website to learn more about the [Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program](#)

[Refer your colleagues](#)

 /fulbright

 @FulbrightPrgrm

 @the\_fulbright\_program

 /the-fulbright-program



The Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program 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.

