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Scholar Program

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Spotlight on the Arctic

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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.
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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.





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.

Fulbright is family-friendly.

- Approximately 60% of our awards provide dependent support.
- Many Fulbright dependents go on to have international careers.

Fulbright is supportive.

- Alumni share experiences.
- Domestic and in-country staff provide assistance.





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.





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
- Compliance with [policies](#) on previous Fulbright Scholar awards and waiting periods between grants





Fulbright Arctic Initiative

arctic@iie.org

Countries:

United States

Canada

Denmark (including Greenland and the Faroe Islands)

Finland

Iceland

Norway

Russia

Sweden

Themes:

- Arctic Security and Cooperation
- Arctic Infrastructure in a Changing Environment
- Community Dimensions of Health





Awards Specifically Seeking Arctic Scholars

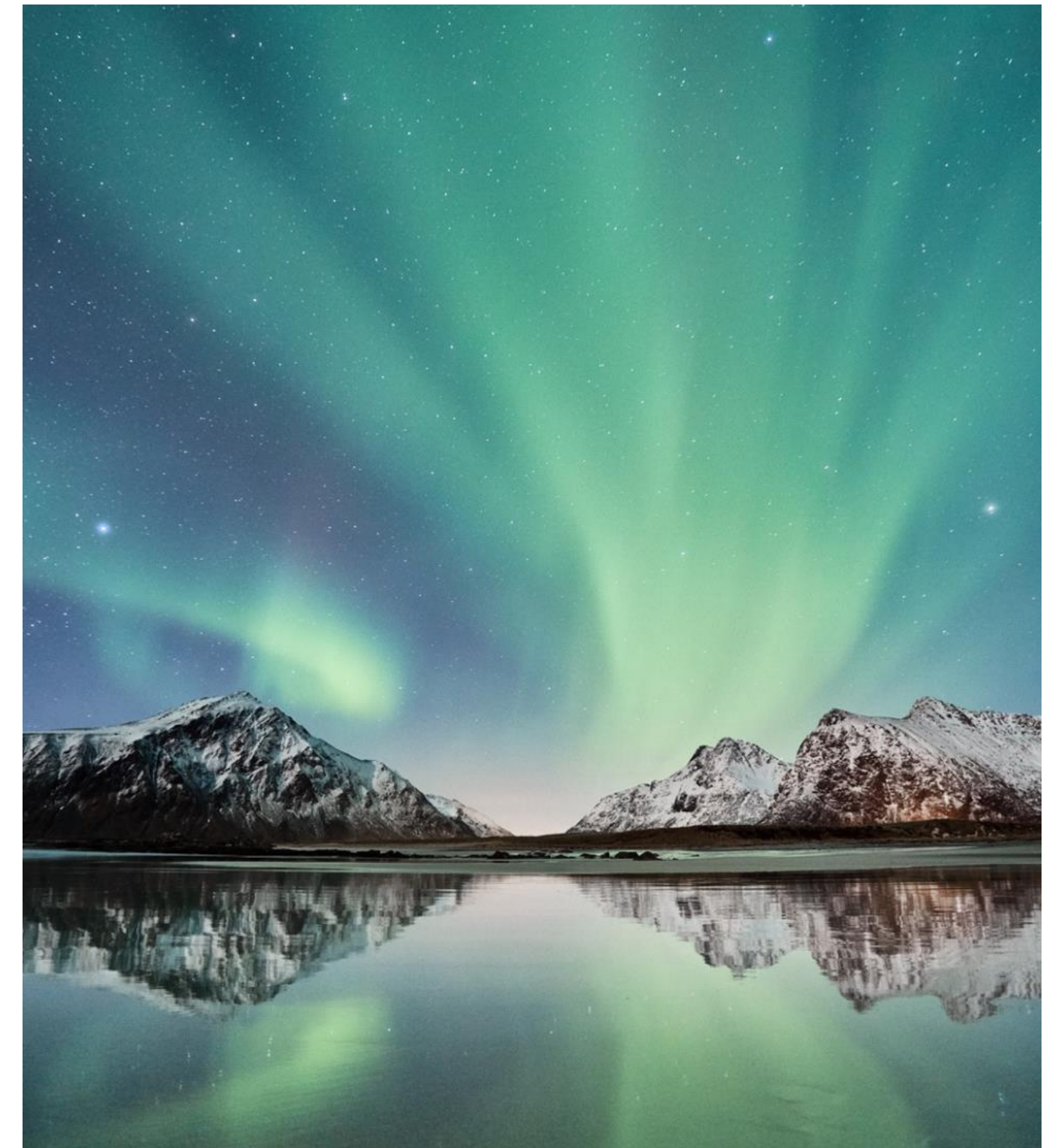
Denmark: [All Disciplines](#)

Finland: [Seeking Solutions for Global Challenges Award](#)

Norway: [Fulbright Arctic Chair](#)

Iceland:

- [Fulbright-Ministry for Foreign Affairs Arctic Scholar](#)
- [Fulbright-National Science Foundation Arctic Research Grants](#)
- [Polar Law](#)
- [Folkloristics](#)





All Disciplines Awards

- Canada (4-9 months, flex) + 15 others
- Denmark (4-5 months)
- Finland (4-9 months, flex) + sponsored awards
- Iceland (3-5 months)
- Norway (3-9 months)
- Russia (4-9 months)
- Sweden (3-6 months)





Successful Past Projects

- **Canada:** Rethinking Subarctic History
- **Finland:** A Study of Icebreaking Infrastructure and Management as They Relate to Arctic Maritime Safety
- **Iceland:** Arctic Sovereignty: Models for Independent Indigenous Polities
- **Norway:** Planetary Astronomy in Arctic Norway: Observations of Asteroids with the EISCAT Radar
- **Russia:** Assessing Intermediaries of Arctic Energy in Russia
- **Sweden:** Transarctic Analysis of Aquatic Microbial Diversity





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)
- Select bibliography (for research)
- Portfolio submissions (for artists, architects, and journalists)





Project Statement

- Describe your proposed project in 3 – 5 pages.
- Focus on what you plan to do, the specific courses you plan to teach, the goals of your research, your methods.
- Explain the anticipated impact of your award on your hosts, home institution and you.

Supplemental Questions (in the application form)

- Why Fulbright? (1,000 characters)
- Why this country? (2,000 characters)
- How adaptable are you? How well will you deal with challenging situations? (1,000 characters)
- How will you adapt your materials for to host culture (2,000 characters)





Understanding the Awards

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Polar Law

**BEGIN APPLICATION
PROCESS**

ICELAND
Europe and Eurasia

AWARD DETAILS

AWARD REQUIREMENTS

STIPEND & BENEFITS

COUNTRY/AREA OVERVIEW

<https://awards.cies.org>



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Affiliations and Invitations

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INVITATION REQUIREMENT

A letter of invitation is required

- 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





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