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# Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

## Virtual Advising for Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship

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## Mission

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- 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

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- 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

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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.





# Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship

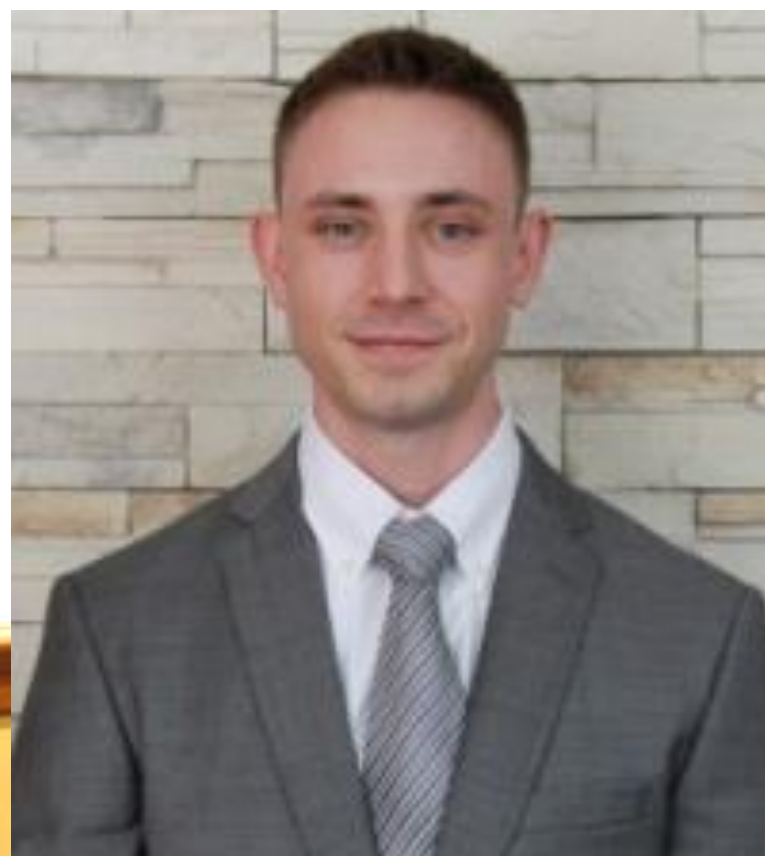
- Opportunity to serve as “technical specialists” in a foreign government ministry or institution, 80% of time
- Self-directed independent research project, 20% of time
- Four to nine months
- Approximately 10 globally (expected at least two per country)





# Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship

- U.S. Embassy or Fulbright Commission coordinate placements within host government ministries
- Applicants should not contact potential host ministries to organize or advocate for a placement
- Desired qualifications include:
  - Graduate degree in a public-policy related field
  - 3 to 5 years public policy relevant experience
  - Language skills depends on the country





# Participating Government Hosts

## Burma

- Burmese language skills not required
- Potential Hosts: Health, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation, Parliament

## Cote d'Ivoire

- Advance French Required
- Potential Hosts: Ministry of Water and Forests, National Security Council, Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, Office of the Prime Minister, Ministry of Justice/Human Rights, Ministry of Construction, Housing & Urbanization, Administration of Territory and Decentralization, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Ministry of Private Sector Promotion

## Peru

- Advanced Spanish required
- Potential Host Ministries: Agriculture, Tourism, Education, Energy and Mines, Women and Vulnerable Populations, Development and Social Inclusion, Ministry of Production, Justice and Human Rights, Health, Transportation and Communications, Environment, Culture, Housing and Construction, Labor, Economy and Finance

## Ukraine

- Level of Ukrainian language skills depends on ministry.
- Potential Hosts: Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports; Ministry of Health; Ministry of Social Policy; Ministry of Education; Ministry of European and Euro-Atlantic Integration; Ministry for Veterans Affairs, Temporarily Occupied Territories and Internally Displaced Persons of Ukraine





# Application Components

- Application Form
- Project Statement
- Curriculum Vitae or Resume
- Letters of Reference
- Select Bibliography
- Language Proficiency Report







# Project Statement

This is your opportunity to explain your proposed project and specific strengths as a candidate to reviewers and potential hosts. Start with the big questions:

- What are you proposing to do?
- Why this country and this ministry?
- How will you engage with the host country, including in the office and in the community?
- Why is it important?
- Why you?
- What impact do you hope to have? It must be clear and compelling to audiences both inside and outside your field.
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# Project Statement

## Research Project

- What do you propose to do?
- State clearly methodology and the nature of your research (quantitative or qualitative).
- What significance does it hold for your discipline, your development, the host country's benefit, and how will the results be disseminated?
- How feasible is your project in terms of resources and amount of time allocated?
- Why does it need to be done in this country? What research facilities and resources are found in the host country?
- How could local political or cultural issues impact your work?





# Review Process and Timeline

<b>SEPTEMBER 15</b>	Application Deadline
<b>NOVEMBER – DECEMBER</b>	Peer Review Committee reviews applications and makes recommendations for further consideration by U.S. Embassies or binational Fulbright Commissions in the host country
<b>DECEMBER</b>	U.S. Embassies or binational Fulbright Commissions overseas review recommended applications, interview candidates (virtually), and consult with host government ministries on candidates. Successful candidates are nominated for selection
<b>JANUARY</b>	Recommended candidates reviewed by the J.W. Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board for approval
<b>FEBRUARY – MARCH</b>	Scholar selections announced, following U.S. Embassy host ministry placement negotiations
<b>JUNE</b>	Grantees prepare for grants. Pre-departure orientation in Washington, DC.



# Website and Application Walkthrough



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