

E FULBRIGHT Scholar Program

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities in East Asia and the Pacific

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Today's Presentation

- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- Types of Awards
- Highlights in EAP for 2024-25
- Application Cycle and Tips
- Questions



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.
- 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.



Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Accessibility

The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) of the United States Department of State strives to embed diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA) in all aspects of its work.

Public diplomacy is most effective when people of diverse backgrounds and perspectives participate in people-to-people exchanges and programs to promote mutual understanding. The Bureau incorporates DEIA best practices throughout its exchanges and programs, grants, community partnerships, and in its workforce and workplace.

ECA is committed to addressing barriers based on race, ethnicity, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, religion, geographic location, education, income, socio-economic status, and other diversity dimensions, that may hinder inclusion in the organization. The Bureau's commitment to DEIA strengthens U.S. foreign policy and is vital to building trust and partnerships here at home and around the world.









Fulbright by the Numbers

The Fulbright Program funds over **8,000 awards** annually:

900

U.S. scholars and administrators

900

Visiting scholars

2,200

U.S. students

4,000

foreign students 400

language teaching assistants







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**









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 alumni as a resource









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
- Compliance with <u>policies</u> on previous Fulbright Scholar awards: two year waiting period between Fulbright U.S. Scholar award and next application



Which Award is for you?

Award Types:

- 1 Scholar Awards
- 2 Postdoctoral Awards
- **3** Distinguished Scholar Awards
- 4 International Education
 Administrator Awards









Which Award is for you?

Flex Option

- Available in 63 countries and all world areas
- Allows multiple visits over two years

Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship

Global & Regional Awards





Highlights in East Asia and the Pacific for the 2024-25 Competition







Awards in East Asia and the Pacific in 2024-25

- 42 unique awards across 13 countries
- Awards available at all levels, from postdoctoral to Distinguished Scholar
- Fulbright U.S. Scholars in the region are eligible for the <u>Fulbright</u>
 <u>East Asia Pacific Regional Travel Program</u>, funding short term
 regional travel grants (5-14 days)
- ASEAN Research Award: collaborative research related to the ASEAN region or US-ASEAN relations in 2-3 countries





Country Highlights: Australia

- Largest program in the region with **17 awards available, including 11 partner awards** with individual Australian institutions
- Opportunities at all levels, from postdoctoral to Distinguished Scholar awards
- Fulbright Future Scholarships: Postdoctoral and Scholar Awards funded by partner Kinghorn Foundation
- Distinguished Scholar Awards in specific fields
- Note required start dates in award descriptions: usually February 2025





Regional Highlights

- Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mongolia, New Zealand, Singapore:
 - Sole focus on all disciplines
- Japan: Journalism and Study of the United States
- Korea: Distinguished Scholar at Yonsei University and Peace Studies
- Philippines: U.S. Philippine Relations
- Taiwan: Arts, Education, Humanities, Professional Fields and Social Sciences

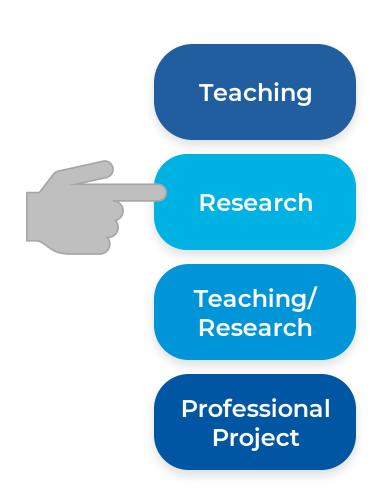




Selecting the Right Award

- Match country interest, expertise, career profile, and proposal to the award description
- Language ability (if applicable)
- Discipline preferences, when specified
- Project relevance to the host country and/or institution
- Benefits to you and your community

Remember: you can only apply for **ONE AWARD** per application cycle





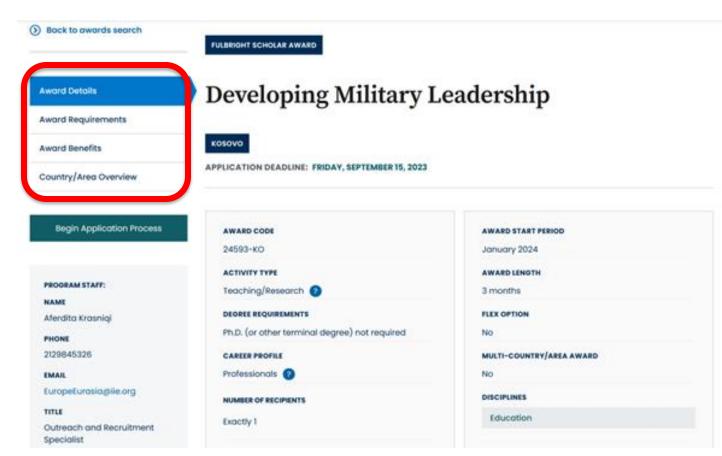


Understanding the Awards

Visit <u>fulbrightscholars.org</u> to search awards

Review important details in:

- award details
- award requirements
- award benefits
- country/area overview







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

FEBRUARY	Competition Opens
SEPTEMBER 15	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







Bring Foreign Fulbrighters to your Campus

FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE (S-I-R) PROGRAM

Host scholars from other countries to teach for a semester or an academic year

Deadline: June 1

Website:

fulbrightscholars.org/sir

Email: SIR@iie.org

FULBRIGHT OUTREACH LECTURING FUND (OLF)

Host current Fulbright Visiting Scholars for shortterm lectureships of 2-6 days on discipline or cultural topics to internationalize the campus

Website:

fulbrightscholars.org/OLF

Email: OLF@iie.org

FULBRIGHT LANGUAGE TEACHING ASSISTANT (FLTA) PROGRAM

Host native speaking language teaching assistants to enhance students' understanding different languages and cultures

Website:

foreign.fulbrightonline.org

Email: dcook@iie.org







Additional Fulbright U.S. Programs

SCHOLARS

- Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship
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- Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Program <u>GPA@ed.gov</u>
- Specialist Program
 <u>FulbrightSpecialist@worldl</u>
 <u>earning.org</u>

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- English Teaching Assistant (ETA) Program
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