



FULBRIGHT

Scholar Program

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: 2025-26 Opportunities in Egypt

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Today's Presentation

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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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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:





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 U.S. Scholar
 Program to Egypt**





About the Binational Fulbright Commission in Egypt

- Established in 1949 and is the oldest and largest Fulbright program in the Arab World
- Celebrating its 75th anniversary this year
- Over 8,000 students, scholars and professionals have been American Fulbrighters in Egypt or Egyptian Fulbrighters in the U.S.
- Funding from the U.S. and Egyptian governments
- Binational Board of Directors

The Awards We Offer

All Disciplines Award

Sciences Award

Business Administration Award

Visual and Performing Arts Award

American University in Cairo Award

Distinguished Scholar Award

All Disciplines Award

Open for academics at all levels.

Open for all disciplines.

Scholars can:

- Teach;
- Conduct research;
- Or teach and conduct research

And participate in a variety of activities at the host institution and with the Commission.

Duration: 3-9 months





Sciences Award

Open for academics at all levels.

Open in all science disciplines.

Scholars can:

- Teach;
- Conduct research;
- Or teach and conduct research

And participate in a variety of activities at the host institution and with the Commission.

Duration: 3-9 months

Includes a special allowance for specialized materials for research and teaching/research awards.

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Business Administration Award

Open for academics at all levels.

Open in the fields of:

- Accounting/Finance
- Business
- Economics
- Marketing

Scholars can:

- Teach;
 - Or teach and conduct research
- And participate in a variety of activities at the host institution and with the Commission.

Duration: 4 or 9 months



Visual and Performing Arts Award

Open for artists and academics at all levels.

Open in the fields of:

-Arts -Dance -Drama/Theatre
-Film/Cinema Studies -Music -Design

Scholars are hosted at:

-Academy of Arts -Helwan University

Scholars get to:

Teach and participate in a variety of activities at the host institution and with the Commission.

Duration: 4 months



American University in Cairo Award

Open for academics at all levels.

Open for all disciplines offered at the American University in Cairo.

Scholars can:

- Teach;
 - Or teach and conduct research
- And participate in a variety of activities at the host institution and with the Commission.

Duration: 4 or 9 months

Invitation letter is required.



Distinguished Scholar Award

Open for senior scholars (Associate Professor or higher) who currently hold a leadership position at their home institution and have a proven research record evident in recent publications in the last 3-5 years.

Open for all disciplines.

Scholars can:

- Teach;
- Conduct research;
- Or teach and conduct research

And participate in a variety of activities at the host institution and with the Commission.

Duration: 3-9 months

U.S. Scholar Host Institutions

(In the past 6 years)





Networking Events for U.S. Grantees



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Networking Event for Fulbright Grantees



Networking Event for Fulbright U.S. Scholars



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Financial Benefits

Competitive package and a reasonable cost of living

Stipend and monthly maintenance

Furnished housing

Travel and relocation allowance

Professional allowance

Settling-in allowance

Supplemental Arabic language study allowance

Health Benefits Coverage - Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges (ASPE)

Dependent travel and relocation allowance

Dependent supplemental in-country allowance

Dependent tuition allowance for K-12

Support for our Grantees

Government of Egypt Clearance

Host Institutional Affiliation

Pre-departure information

Meet and assist at Cairo Airport

Upon arrival support

U.S. Embassy-approved housing

Grant benefits

Residence visas and work permits

In-country orientation meetings

Egyptian National Archives



Educational and Cultural Program



Fulbright U.S. Grantees at an Alumni Event



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**Fulbright
U.S.
Grantees
in
Alexandria**



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Fulbright U.S. Grantees at the Montazah Palace Garden, Alexandria



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Fulbright U.S. Grantees at the Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Alexandria



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Tour of Al-Darb Al-Ahmar, Old Cairo



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Visit to the Museum of Egyptian Civilization



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Fulbright U.S. Grantees at the Fulbright Reception at the U.S. Embassy in Cairo



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Fulbright U.S. Grantees at the Commission's Thanksgiving Dinner



**Fulbright U.S. Grantees at the Commission's
Christmas Party at the Pyramids**



Fulbright Alumni and U.S. Grantees at a Ramadan Iftar by the Nile



**Fulbright U.S. Grantees at a Ramadan Iftar
in Khan Al-Khalili, Islamic Cairo**



**Fulbright U.S. Grantees at a Ramadan Iftar
in Khan Al-Khalili, Islamic Cairo**



Fulbright Alumni and U.S. Grantees at a Tannoura Show in Ramadan



Fulbright Alumni and U.S. Grantees at a Tannoura Show in Ramadan



Understanding the Awards

Visit fulbrightscholars.org to search awards

Review important details in:

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

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FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR AWARD

Award Details

Award Requirements

Award Benefits

Country/Area Overview

Begin Application Process

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AWARD CODE
24370-KO

ACTIVITY TYPE

Professional Project 1

Research 1

Teaching 1

Teaching/Research 1

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
Ph.D. (or other terminal degree) not required

CAREER PROFILE

Early Career Academics 1

Mid-Career Academics 1

Professionals 1

Senior Academics 1

NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS

AWARD START PERIOD
September 2024 - April 2025

AWARD LENGTH
3 months - 9 months

FLEX OPTION
No

MULTI-COUNTRY/AREA AWARD
No

DISCIPLINES
Projects are sought in all disciplines

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: CLOSED





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: Open in February 2024

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

