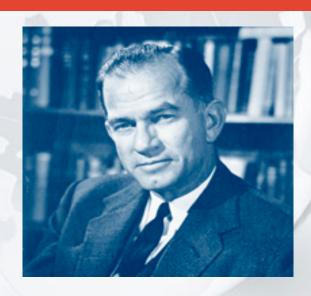


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# Senator J. William Fulbright (1905-1995)





"International education exchange is the most significant current project designed to continue the process of humanizing mankind to the point, we would hope, that nations can learn to live in peace."

- Established 1946
- Sends U.S. academics and professionals overseas and brings scholars and professionals from abroad to the U.S.
- Sponsored by U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs
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## What We'll Discuss Today

- Why and How I applied for a Fulbright Scholar grant
- What I did on my Fulbright Scholar grant
- Impact of my Fulbright Scholar grant
  - Personally
  - Professionally
- Additional Fulbright Scholar opportunities
- How to Stay Engaged





# Spencer Salas

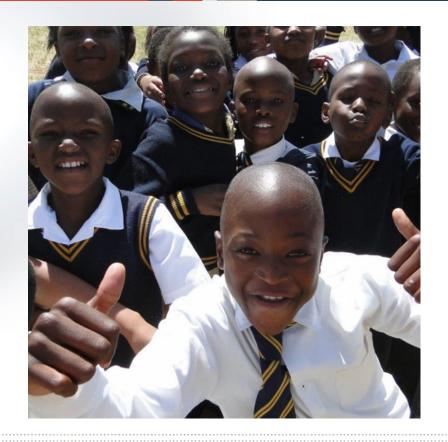


Associate Professor, UNC Charlotte

Fulbright Specialist (Serial Grant) South Africa 2013

Molteno Institute: Literacy Coaching in Guateng

Fulbright Specialist Guatemala 2007 Fulbright Teacher Exchange Romania 1998-2000











## Why I Chose to Apply

Internationalization and UNC Charlotte: Fulbright programs are aligned with institutional strategic plans for internationalization

**Scholarship of Engagement:** Highly visible platform for dialogues about better practice

Flexibility of Specialist Program: Minimal accommodations needed for absence

Past Fulbright Experiences: Confidence that the program would be rewarding





# Literacy coaching in Guateng: Needs and possibilities

- What were the perceived strengths of Molteno's literacy coaching initiative?
- What content/format might strategic professional development for Molteno's literacy coaches include?



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#### **Personal and Professional Outcomes**

Research: Salas, S., Dikotla, M., Nembahe, A. (2015). Literacy coaching in Gauteng Province: Needs and possibilities. Education as Change. 19(1), 148-164; Myraz, M., Salas, S., Dikotla, M., & Mercado, L.(in press). Teaching better, together. English Teaching Forum.

**Teaching**: TESL 6206 Globalization, Communities, and Schools

Service: Peer Review

**Strong Friendships and Professional Networking:** Met new colleagues and built foundation for long-term collaboration and friendships

Perspectives: Learned about the complexity of agency in ZA









## **Institutional Impact**

In 2013, UNC Charlotte ranked among top Fulbright-producing institutions (<a href="http://inside.uncc.edu/news-features/2013-11-13/unc-charlotte-ranked-among-top-fulbright-producing-institutions">http://inside.uncc.edu/news-features/2013-11-13/unc-charlotte-ranked-among-top-fulbright-producing-institutions</a>)

Alignment with "Global Connections: UNC and the World" (<a href="https://www.northcarolina.edu/sites/default/files/documents/bog2015globalconnectionschanges102015final.pdf">https://www.northcarolina.edu/sites/default/files/documents/bog2015globalconnectionschanges102015final.pdf</a>)

Institutional Visibility







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**U.S. SCHOLAR Programs** offer U.S. faculty, administrators and professionals grants to lecture, conduct research in a wide variety of academic and professional fields, or to participate in seminars.

**NON-U.S. SCHOLAR Programs** support the research and teaching of scholars visiting colleges and universities in the United States. These programs offer joint collaborative opportunities with U.S. Scholars.

**Opportunities for U.S. INSTITUTIONS** allow campuses to host Fulbright Visiting Scholars and professionals from abroad to lecture at U.S. colleges and universities.

www.cies.org







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<u>Fulbright Teacher Exchange Programs</u>: Principally for primary- and secondary- level educators

<u>Fulbright-Hays Awards</u>: For faculty research, group projects and seminars abroad in certain social sciences and humanities fields

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- Invite a Visiting Scholar to your campus through the Outreach Lecturing Fund
- Register for an upcoming <u>Webinar</u>





