

# Ask Us Anything: Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program 2025-26

## Webinar Q&A Box Questions and Answers

*These questions have been anonymized. Any question too specific to any one applicant has been removed. Questions answered live will appear only in the video recording.*

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| Can two people apply together for the same award?   | Thank you for this question. No, each application is for one person, and you may only apply to one award per cycle.  |
| Can one apply for a Fulbright opportunity for a future cycle if I have not heard the final outcome of my current application?   | Yes, you can! But once you accept an award, you will become ineligible for subsequent competitions within 2 years of your first award.   |
| What opportunities are available for people in the field of journalism?   | Thank you for your inquiry! Our awards change year-to-year, but you can see from our award catalog ( <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&amp;field_award_app_deadline=2&amp;field_award_multi_country=All&amp;discipline%5B%5D=8082&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All">https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&amp;field_award_app_deadline=2&amp;field_award_multi_country=All&amp;discipline%5B%5D=8082&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</a> ) that there were 35 awards in the 2024-25 Fulbright Scholar Competition for applicants in the Journalism field. As our awards will change, I recommend checking our website in February 2024 to see the awards offered for the 2025-26 Fulbright U.S. Scholar Competition. |
| I'm interested in being a senior scholar focusing on teaching, but there doesn't seem to be an application for that. What should we do that is different in the forms? and what about not being active on our old university? | We have great opportunities for senior scholars who have over 13 years of teaching experience. Just look for the career profile - senior scholar on our website.   |
| I want to continue participating in the faculty development activities in India and beyond. What are some programs that you suggest?  | Opportunities for U.S. Scholars to go to India exist! In fact, it's one of our biggest programs with over 40 awards annually. Definitely consider Fulbright as a gateway to other opportunities through not only the US government, but our partner countries as well.   |
| Is Jordan still underserved with FB grants?   | This past cycle there were 3 grants offered by Jordan.   |
| Do you have a resource indicating how competitive certain awards (countries) are?   | We don't share the application numbers, but you can focus on developing a competitive application. We also provide information on hidden gems. Look for that information on our webinar archives for hidden gems.  |

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| <p>I am interested in the US-Germany International Education Administrators program. Is this the correct webinar for me to attend?</p>   | <p>This is not an IEA specific webinar, but we will cover the program during this webinar. Please feel free to ask questions about the award.</p>   |
| <p>Can one submit multiple applications for different countries, if the work is transnational/global, within the same cycle?</p>   | <p>Thank you for your question! Applicants are only allowed to apply to one award per competition cycle.</p>  |
| <p>Hi - I was looking at the institutions offering Fulbright 25-26 opportunities and it looks limited. Is that because some institutions have not yet announced their intent to accept Fulbright scholars for 25 - 26 or have all the institutions who will offer Fulbright opportunities in the pool already.</p>   | <p>The 2025-26 US Scholar competition opens in February 2024 and will close on 9/15/24...so hold tight! But you can have a look at closed opportunities to see what may continue to be offered year on year. The Catalog doesn't change dramatically from year to year.</p>   |
| <p>Any fullbright opportunities for green-card holders in USA universities?</p>  | <p>At this time, applicants must be full U.S. citizens at the time of their application.</p>  |
| <p>I am interested in applying for the Fulbright scholars program in US. I'm from Pakistan.</p>  | <p>Please look for the Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program.</p>  |
| <p>Does the program consider people's personal background (like nationality) to determine the fit?</p>   | <p>Thank you for your inquiry! As long as applicants have U.S. citizenship at the time of deadline, they are welcome to apply. Naturalized citizens are welcome to apply. You can see more in the eligibility page (<a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#eligibility">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#eligibility</a>). Otherwise, applications are judged solely on the Review Criteria (<a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#review-process">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#review-process</a>) in which one's familial roots is not a factor.</p> |
| <p>I am interested in knowing what makes a highly competitive application for the Global Scholars Program, which allows for scholars to engage in collaborative research or combine teaching and research activities or pursue a professional project in their area of specialization in two to three countries in at least two different world regions.</p> | <p>Thank you for your question! We suggest you email <a href="mailto:globalaward@iie.org">globalaward@iie.org</a> to learn more about that.</p>   |
| <p>Can the application include an existing research project?<br/>Can the project be a part of a section of a larger ongoing project?<br/>I am interested in the Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Awards program. Will that continue in the next cycle?</p>   | <p>Yes, the project can include an existing research, but you must provide rationale to why you need a Fulbright for the existing project.</p>  |
| <p>For Scholars, are recent PhDs eligible?</p>   | <p>Yes! Be sure to check the requirements of the specific award you are interested in but if a PhD is required, it does not matter how recent the degree is.</p>  |
| <p>Are there current award application for teaching economics for community college professors?</p>  | <p>The main competition cycle opens in February 2024 and YES, we love community college faculty, our partners overseas are LOOKING for teachers.</p>  |
| <p>Can a retired faculty apply for a teaching opportunity at Fulbright?</p>  | <p>Yes! We encourage scholars at all stages of their lives/careers to apply.</p>  |
| <p>Are the names/ projects of individuals and previous successful applications published?</p>  | <p>Yes, you can find them on our website, under the Fulbright Scholar Directory.</p>  |

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|   | <p><a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory">https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory</a></p>   |
| <p>I am new in fulbright, i would like to know what programs are there to attend/apply for summer session (Faculty in Black Hills State University)</p>   | <p>Thank you for your question! Most of the awards follow Fall/Spring semesters, however, some awards have the FLEX option which allows for multiple trips within 2 years. Our awards and competition open in February 2024, so we highly recommend checking them out once available.</p>                  |
| <p>I am new in fulbright, i would like to know what programs are there to attend/apply for summer session (Faculty in Black Hills State University)</p>   | <p>For any awards, check the award description! there are many that allow you to propose projects during our summer (June, July, August)</p>   |
| <p>I would like to apply to a study scholarship and after reading the information on the web, I have two questions:</p> <p>(1) I don't have an American undergraduate degree because I was naturalized a few years ago. It appears as a disadvantage, am I right?</p> <p>(2) Although I live in America, I am in a PhD program in a European University - it was hard to find the right program for me-. Should the foreign institution be involved in my application or I'd rather apply without their support? What's the best option? This university is not in the country where I would like to conduct my research.</p> | <p>This session is for the U.S. Scholar program, as a US national abroad, I'm not sure the Fulbright Student Program will have opportunities for you, I recommend reaching out to that program for more information.</p>   |
| <p>Hi we are playing this webinar during IEW for faculty, admins and any students who happen to join us. Is the charge by Fulbright equally weighted to faculty, admin and students?</p>  | <p>That's wonderful Gwen! Happy IEW! We are only presenting opportunities for the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program for faculty and staff.</p>  |
| <p>I'm a US Citizen, and worked at an US university for 15 years. However, I'm currently working at a university in Korea since Sept. 2020. Am I eligible for 2025-2026?</p>  | <p>Applicants who have resided abroad for five or more consecutive years in the six-year period preceding the application deadline are ineligible. A period of nine months or more during a calendar year constitutes a full year.</p>   |
| <p>I was a Fulbrighter in 22-23. Am I eligible to apply for 25-26?</p>  | <p>Yes, the waiting period begins at the end of your last Fulbright award. If your last grant ended in '23, you are eligible for '25 as it will have been 2 years.</p>   |
| <p>I was accepted into the Fulbright Scholar program years ago but was unable to apply for an opportunity. I can still log on to the Fulbright site but can't see my profile. Will I need to start from scratch to apply for a 25-26 opportunity? Thank you</p>   | <p>Yes, you will need to start your application from the beginning. Good luck!</p>   |
| <p>My spouse and I work in administrative roles at our institution. Can we apply to a Fulbright in the same location together? We were looking at a short term administrative opportunity.</p>  | <p>You can definitely both apply, but you will be competing against each other. If you're at the same institution, it will be an especially difficult competition because the home institution is a major piece of criterion for the IEA awards. I would encourage you to consider different seminars.</p> |
| <p>When applying to the scholars program is it a requirement to identify 3 different hemispheres that your project aligns with? Are you required to construct 3 different writing samples for each one</p>  | <p>It looks like you are interested in applying to the Global Scholar Award. Here is mor information: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/award/fulbright-global-scholar-award-5">https://fulbrightscholars.org/award/fulbright-global-scholar-award-5</a></p>  |

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| <p>when applying ? Are you allowed to only apply to one country in one hemisphere on a specific focus? If this is allowed what do you put in the application section when it ask you to identify 3 different location options?</p>     |   |
| <p>What type of certificates are we expected to submit as a proof of having the linguistic skills needed for our stay?</p>   | <p>This is only necessary if the award requires language skills. An evaluation can be completed by a qualified language speaker (e.g., a teacher of that language at your institution).</p>   |
| <p>Are there opportunities for assisting with literacy education?</p>  | <p>Thank you for your inquiry! Although the 2024-25 Fulbright U.S. Scholar Competition is closed, our catalog does have many opportunities in education and TEFL. When the 2025-26 Fulbright U.S. Scholar Competition opens in February 2024, I recommend visiting our Award Search to see what is possible. Be sure to use the filters to see what opportunities are possible! In the meantime, you can look at the awards from the 2024-25 Competition to see what was offered this past year:<br/><br/><a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search">https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search</a></p> |
| <p>Do Fulbright Scholarships require a Ph.D. or another terminal degree? (I have an M.S. plus three decades of professional experience in my field.)</p>   | <p>Thank you for your question! This is dependent on the award requirements. It differs by award but not all awards require terminal degrees.</p>   |
| <p>What is the best way to approach a potential host?</p>  | <p>I would recommend drafting an abstract of what you'd like to do. 3-7 sentences of what you plan to do in country, what classes you'd like to teach or research and what resources you'd need to access to do this work and send it to any contacts you have overseas. Use your professional membership associations, reach out to whoever is publishing in you relevant field, reach out to Fulbrighters in country or who have come home from a Fulbright. Good luck!</p>   |
| <p>Can the recommendation and invitation letters submitted for this year's application be used for next year's if my application is not successful this year?</p>  | <p>The recommendations can be reused but you may want to ensure dates and other details are updated. Letters of invitation must be current and resought.</p>  |
| <p>when does the oppertinities open??</p>  | <p>February 2024 we will open the competition for 2025-26 academic year.</p>  |
| <p>Can I be awarded consecutive scholarship to the same host university or same host country with new research project?</p>  | <p>Yes, you may as long as you wait 2 years from the end of your last award.</p>  |
| <p>would fulbright will let us know whne they are open?</p>  | <p>Yes, we will open the new competition 2025-26 in February 2024.</p>  |
| <p>Can provide the timeline of communcation we will recevie after we submitted an applicattion this year?</p>  | <p>Thank you for your question! This is the current timeline: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#timeline">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#timeline</a></p>   |
| <p>I have over 40 years of teaching experience and am interested in being a senior scholar but only for teaching. the application forms all seem to be for scholar or scholar with teaching. why is there no teaching application?</p> | <p>It is the same application. About 30% of our awards are 100% pure teaching awards. Another 30% is pure research and the remaining 30% is a combination of teaching/research.</p>   |

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| <p>What do you look for in a Professional Project?</p>   | <p>The Professional Project activity type provides professionals and artists in various fields the opportunity to interact with relevant organizations abroad to explore a topic related to their field without answering a defined research question. Professional Projects may include professional consultations; artist residencies; visits to organizations in the applicant's field; practical experience in day-to-day operations; public lectures; mentoring; arranging exhibitions, performances or musical compilations; preparation of print materials (books, articles, or reviews); exchange of expertise with other professionals; participation in public events; or other appropriate professional activities.</p> |
| <p>Is it possible to extend the duration of a one-year scholarship over five years, utilizing only 20% of the scholarship funds each year, while continuing to work part-time during this period?</p>  | <p>Unfortunately, not. We typically fund 1 or 2 semesters of teaching, research, or professional projects.</p>   |
| <p>Are most awards available to PhD students/candidates? Or there any that are specific to graduate students?</p>  | <p>Thank you for your questions! For awards for graduate students, please visit the Fulbright U.S Student website.</p>   |
| <p>I currently have a few strong research projects going related to Japan and would like to expand one of them to India. But I've never been to the country, no personal or professional connection with any Indian universities, and am unable to specify my new research that may bridge between India, Japan (my main fieldwork site), and U.S.A. (where I teach and write). Should I attend a conference in India to familiarize myself with the country, first, and then make connections from there? Or I heard Fulbright staff can help applicants with some connection, and should I use that venue and apply for a Fulbright program (without any experience with the country)? What recommendations do you have?</p> | <p>You are not required to have visited the country before, however it would be helpful for your application if you are familiar with the culture, with the host institution and also if the project is feasible in India.</p>   |
| <p>If I get a chance to participate in a short term program overseas, in the same country I'm looking to apply for Fulbright, say less than 9 months, am I still eligible to apply? (asking hypothetically, thank you!)</p>  | <p>You are still eligible as long as this other grant is not a Fulbright Scholar grant.</p>  |
| <p>Are federal employees eligible, if their agencies support the application?</p>  | <p>Yes! Except those at the U.S. Department of State or USAID. But we do have people from the Geological Survey and other federal agencies.</p>  |
| <p>When Fulbright talks about 'dependent support', does that include spouses, even if they work? What type of visa support is there for both Fulbrighters and their family members?</p>  | <p>Yes this often does include spouses - please be sure to review the specific award requirements. If dependents are supported, there will be help in securing their visas as well.</p>  |
| <p>which ones are these programs "some awards have the FLEX option which allows for multiple trips within 2 years"?</p>  | <p>Thank you for your question! We suggest that once the competition opens, in February, you search for the awards and see which ones have the FLEX option. They differ by year.</p>   |

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| <p>I work in clinical behavioral health but also have experience in research; however most of my experience is clinical in nature. Is it appropriate to apply as a Scholar (professional) with a research project proposal?</p>   | <p>Yes, you just need to find the opportunity/award that matches what you'd like to accomplish. You cannot work on human subjects while on a Fulbright, but depending on what you'd like to do, it will likely be possible to do somewhere in the world on a Fulbright.</p>   |
| <p>As a Fulbright scholar, can I serve as a reviewer during the selection of applications?</p>  | <p>Yes, you may. To learn more, visit:<br/><a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/peer-review">https://fulbrightscholars.org/peer-review</a></p>  |
| <p>Differences between Scholar Awards and Distinguished Scholar Awards?</p>   | <p>Thank you for your inquiry! Distinguished Scholar awards are a subset of our larger Scholar Awards. Distinguished Scholar Awards are specifically for applicants who have more than 10 years of expertise in their field. However, every Distinguished Scholar Awards has specific parameters so be sure to read the description carefully. Visit our Distinguished Scholar page for more information:<br/><a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#Distinguished">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#Distinguished</a></p> |
| <p>When in the 6 month window is the optimal time to submit the application?</p>  | <p>The application for 2025-26 academic year will be open in February 2024 and the application headline will be in mid-September 2024. You can apply during that time anytime.</p>  |
| <p>I am a professional photographer in the portrait, wedding , event and travel areas. I am wanting to see how this program can be applied to my abilities and skills.</p>  | <p>Great - find a collaborator who would like to use your expertise. Can you teach? Did you want to produce a specific art project? Find a country open to photography or the arts and see what is possible.</p>  |
| <p>Many awards indicate they need a letter of invitation. Are there specific things that need to be included in that letter once we make a connection to a host institution?</p>  | <p>This is a letter provided by the proposed host institution expressing their interest in hosting you and your proposed project.</p> <p>Applicants are responsible for obtaining and uploading the letter of invitation to their Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program application if required by the award.</p>  |
| <p>Are applicants with prior research experience more successful or is the Fulbright open to professionals who are embarking on their first large research project?</p>   | <p>It depends for what type of award you are applying. If you are in early career and applying for an early career award, you are not expected to have a lot of research experience.</p>  |
| <p>I do I apply from Kenya to be a Fulbright Scholar in a US university?</p>  | <p>If you are a non-U.S. Scholar interested in coming to the United States, please visit this website to learn more about the Foreign Scholar Program:<br/><a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/non-us-scholars">https://fulbrightscholars.org/non-us-scholars</a></p>  |
| <p>I'm currently in my final year of my undergraduate degree and will be starting my Master's program in August 2024. Would I be eligible for the '25-'26 cycle, or should I wait until my master's is completed to participate?</p>  | <p>This session is for the U.S. Scholar Program, you would be more appropriate candidate for the U.S. Student Program.</p>  |
| <p>Yes, thanks. We were a newby HSI community college new to this, and we are quite impressed with the many programs and still sorting them all out!! Our college depends greatly on part-time faculty. They mainly have master's degree, not terminal. Still qualify for any awards not specific ct exclusive to post-doc?</p> | <p>Yes - there are many awards that do not require a PhD, just a terminal degree in the field or may require a Masters.</p>   |



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| <p>Are top education leaders at federal agencies available?</p>  | <p>If you work for U.S. Department of State and USAID or if you are a contractor of these two agencies, you are not eligible to apply.</p>   |
| <p>I'm a Ph.D. student at a Canadian university seeking funding for my dissertation project/fieldwork abroad and I am a US Citizen and moved to Canada in 2022). Am I eligible for an award program as a student at a Canadian university?</p>   | <p>Please reach out to the Fulbright office in Ottawa, this session is for U.S. Scholars interested in going overseas. Foreign nationals apply to come to the US through their local/national Fulbright office. Good luck!</p>   |
| <p>Would you say apps to obtain Fulbright in Jordan is competitive or advantageous in terms of frequency of applicants?</p>  | <p>Thank you for your inquiry! Due to the Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board bylaws, we cannot share the number of past or current applicants. For a competitive application, we encourage applicants to consider the Review Criteria and the award parameters. Review Criteria (<a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#review-process">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#review-process</a>)</p> |
| <p>Hello! I am interested in either a Fulbright Postdoctoral or Early Career Research Award. Are there any limitations on what type of US institution I can work at to qualify for an award? I will likely be working for a large pharmaceutical company at the time of my application, though am looking to collaborate with a University overseas.</p> | <p>This session is for U.S. Scholars to go overseas...if you're looking to come to the US, you need to apply through the Fulbright office or US embassy in your country of origin. Good luck!</p>  |
| <p>is he distinguished award for teaching? or scholarship? How to choose?</p>  | <p>Check the award! Distinguished scholar awards may be open to research, teaching or both. This is always listed in the award description on the award details section</p>  |
| <p>What are you looking for in a letter of invitation? How much detail do you need from a prospective host institution? From what level of administration must it be?</p>  | <p>Thank you for your question! For more information about letters of invitation, please see our website: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a></p>  |
| <p>Would you consider Flex Option or Specialist for someone who can be gone for about two weeks at a time due to ongoing commitments?</p>  | <p>Flex option is offered for doing multiple visits, one month at a time is the minimum, within 2 years. Specialist Program is a completely different Program administered by another organization, World Learning.</p>  |
| <p>I'm scheduled to complete a Fulbright Specialist Program opportunity in May and June. Am I eligible to apply for the 2025-26 cycle later in the year of 2024?</p>   | <p>Yes, you are. Since the Specialist Program is not administered by IIE, the waiting period does not apply.</p>   |
| <p>Now I am living in Bangladesh. May I apply for this program. I need an invitation letter from a professor. Would you let me know how I can proceed.</p>   | <p>Applicants who have resided abroad for five or more consecutive years in the six-year period preceding the application deadline are ineligible. A period of nine months or more during a calendar year constitutes a full year. Applicants must also be U.S. citizens at the time of submission.</p>  |
| <p>Do IIE staff assist in identifying the locations at which an applicant's experience / qualifications might most likely be successful?</p>   | <p>We do not. The Catalog of Awards may show eligible or preferred institutions, but this is up to the applicant to research and determine what is best for their application.</p>   |

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| <p>If selected for the Fulbright and I needed to defer for any reason, is that an option?</p>  | <p>Thank you for your question! Unfortunately, it is not possible to defer.</p>   |
| <p>How do I register myself for the future awards?</p>   | <p>Thank you for your question! You can sign up for our newsletter and once our competition opens, we'll let you know:<br/><a href="https://apply.iie.org/register/scholar_inquiry">https://apply.iie.org/register/scholar_inquiry</a></p>  |
| <p>can dual citizens apply to complete their project in the country where they hold their 2nd citizenship?</p>   | <p>Check the award! If there are any restrictions, this is listed in the award requirements tab of an award description. Check because this varies!</p>   |
| <p>What's the best way to discover previous distinguished scholars for a specific award?</p>   | <p>Check the Fulbright Scholar Directory:<br/><a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory">https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory</a></p>   |
| <p>I see the a professional project can consist of an artist in residence. Would this be something I would need to secure before applying for Fullbright or is that something Fullbright agencies could help with? And can a professional project be an option of distinguished scholar?</p> | <p>This is something you would arrange for most opportunities. But some awards will list institutions where you can do this. Distinguished scholars usually involve teaching or teaching/research activities.</p>   |
| <p>If not awarded a fellowship, will the applicant get the evaluation/feedback as to why s/he was not selected?</p>  | <p>We do not provide specific feedback fro applications that are not selected.</p>  |
| <p>When do we get notified if we are selected for the award is it January -June 2024 or January-June 2025?</p>   | <p>It will be January-June the year following your submission. If you submitted in Sept 2023, you will be notified by June 2024.</p>  |
| <p>Yes i understand that but does the global scholar award require you to apply to more then one country? Or can you just do one?</p>  | <p>Candidates must propose project activities that will take place in two to three countries in at least two different world regions</p>  |
| <p>Aside from letter of support, what else do I need to be thinking in terms of the host institution? Also, is it okay if the host institution (university) is small? and not too large or world renowned?</p>   | <p>Thank you for your inquiry! I encourage you to first determine to which award you are applying as some awards have parameters on possible institutions. When the competition opens in February 2024 for the 2025-26 Fulbright U.S. Scholar cycle and you see your institution is a possible host, I would encourage you to solicit a letter of invitation, if required, preferred, or optional. When thinking about your letter of invitation, I encourage you to think about whether your institution will provide office or lab space. Indeed, institutions of all sizes can be possible hosts -- depending on what is listed in the award parameters. However, for-profit institutions cannot be hosts.</p> |
| <p>If you can send the link to regiser here it will be helpful. I am medical science and will try to see what aware=rds will be available in Feb?</p>  | <p>here is the Connect with Fulbright:<br/><a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/connect">https://fulbrightscholars.org/connect</a></p>  |
| <p>Are application materials reviewed by my home institution in the domestic review process?</p>   | <p>Not for the U.S. Scholar Program, but yes for the U.S. Student Program. Today's session is for faculty and administrators at U.S. institutions.</p>  |
| <p>This is a following up question. So, the application should be submitted within five years? Again, if I applyin in 2024 for 2025-2026 fulbright, 2024 is my fourth year in Korea.<br/><br/>I'm a US Citizen, and worked at an US university for 15</p>                                    | <p>If you have not been living in Korea for 5+ years at the time of submission, you will still be eligible.</p>   |



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| <p>years. However, I'm currently working at a university in Korea since Sept. 2020. Am I eligible for 2025-2026?</p> <p>Rose Raufman (she/her) - Fulbright/IE 04:09 AM</p> <p>Applicants who have resided abroad for five or more consecutive years in the six-year period preceding the application deadline are ineligible. A period of nine months or more during a calendar year constitutes a full year.</p>            |   |
| <p>How do I connect with alumni near me?</p>   | <p>Visit the Fulbright Association website to find local chapters.</p>  |
| <p>I am a musician who would like to look into studying traditional music from a specific country. Does that fit within the Fulbright program?</p>   | <p>Yes, it does! We encourage artists to apply. You can check our catalogue of awards to see if that country offers an award in the arts or an all-disciplines award. This could be a professional project, teaching, or research.</p>  |
| <p>If you have already won a Fulbright in the past (2010), is it possible to re-apply? Does the application get discounted? Does it matter if it is in the same or different region than in the previous one?</p>  | <p>Thank you for your question! There is a limit on the amount of Fulbright you do. Since it's been more than two years since your last scholar award, you're welcome to apply again.</p>   |
| <p>I think I understand from the Fulbright web pages that I need to have been resident in the US for the previous five years before application. Is this correct? I'm a senior scholar/professional and I'd like to apply in the 24-25 cycle, but I've been stationed as a faculty member and dean at my university's Middle East campus since 2016. I'll be returning to the home campus in the US in May 2024. Thanks.</p> | <p>Correct, you need to have been in the US 5 of the past 6 years before being eligible.</p>  |
| <p>Hi, I just want to follow up- I am a US citizen and want to apply for a research project I am conducting in India, not in the U.S. Am I still considered a Canadian scholar because I'm doing my Ph.D. in Canada and not eligible for US scholar programs?</p>  | <p>A majority of the opportunities we're discussing are for U.S. Scholars/faculty at US institutions. We do have a few postdoc awards that you may be eligible for, but given you're already overseas, you may not be eligible because of the residency requirement. You must have been in the US a minimum of 5 of the last 6 years.</p> |
| <p>How much value is there in looking at the specific opportunities listed on the website from the last competition? Do the opportunities change significantly year to year?</p>   | <p>Thank you for your question! We believe there's value in looking at what different awards ask for, etc. And opportunities do change per year.</p>  |
| <p>How flexible are the start dates? I see some that have specific dates, and others that say "August" - how negotiable are those exact dates, or is that program-specific? (I'm interested in the South Africa program)</p>   | <p>These are generally nonnegotiable - start dates must fall in the range provided by the country.</p>  |
| <p>Can you give a general overview of what recent projects were like, including awardee areas of expertise?</p>  | <p>You can visit our scholar directories and look by discipline or country:<br/> <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory">https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory</a></p>  |
| <p>Any hint whether we need a partner or collaborator to host if we are looking for a flex program</p>   | <p>Yes, most flex awards will require a letter of invitation.</p>   |
| <p>I just found out that the person signing the letter of invitation is no longer working for the university. I got</p>  | <p>Peer Review ends this week, so it is too late for this cycle. If you are recommended for further consideration, we'll reach out to you shortly and you</p>   |

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| <p>this information, where can I update this info? and Am I too late to submit this information?</p>  | <p>can update the information then, but only if you make it past the first step in the review process.</p>   |
| <p>Can you provide a link to the Fulbright institutions? I can't find online. And do you have to be connected to a host institution in the US?</p>  | <p>You do not have to be connected to a host institution to apply. There are no specific Fulbright partner institutions, but some awards may be for specific institutions. Check the award requirements for more information about potential hosts.</p>  |
| <p>When are office hours? I'm hoping to talk to someone who can help me determine which awards I am eligible for.</p>   | <p>Thank you for your question! At this moment, we don't have office hours since we're in between cycles. But they'll restart soon! However, until then, you're always welcome to email the regional email of the country you're interested in.</p>  |
| <p>Can you start in 2026 and continue into 2027? for the 2025/2026 period&gt;</p>   | <p>For a few awards, yes. Some flex awards are allowed to take place between 2-3 years but will need to start in the 25-26 academic year.</p>  |
| <p>I am looking into going for a sabbatical starting January 2025. Does the timeline you provided mean that if my application is successful I will not be able to depart until after June 2025?</p>   | <p>Correct. That falls within the 24-25 competition that was closed in September. You must apply for the next competition 25-26 that will open in February 2024.</p>   |
| <p>How well do we need to know the people. (or have worked with them) with whom we are proposing to study in the host country? does the letter from the host site matter more than anything else?</p>   | <p>It will depend on the award; some countries don't require a letter or invitation at all and like to assign you themselves. Some countries require that letter to ensure you have a fruitful time in the country. It will depend.</p>  |
| <p>Are there any examples of successful applications?</p>   | <p>We don't provide samples of applications, but we do provide excerpts of successful project statements. You can find this in the project statement section of our application guidance!</p>  |
| <p>Is it possible to take a sabbatical while on Fulbright?</p>  | <p>That's up to you and your institution, but yes - it's very common for scholars to take their Fulbright award during their sabbatical!</p>   |
| <p>Is it important to find a host/partner in the country before applying or are those hosts/partners identified through the mechanism of the award?</p>   | <p>This depends on the award and its requirements. Some awards require a letter of invitation from your intended host institution. This can help to make your application more specific even if a letter of invitation is not required. Some awards do identify specific partnerships so be sure to read the requirements carefully.</p> |
| <p>To clarify my last question--I am a US citizen but will be working for a pharmaceutical company in the US at the time of my application. Do I still qualify for the fulbright postdoctoral or early career awards even if I do not work for a US University? Thank you!</p>  | <p>Yes - you do not need to be affiliated with a higher education institution to apply.</p>  |
| <p>Are scholar or distinguished scholar awards appropriate for teaching at short-term 1 week long conferences (perhaps 2-3 over 2 years given the flex option) and besides the scholar funded, can funds also be requested for early career scholarships given by the collaborating institution in a given country such as the European Center for Peace and Development in Serbia.</p> | <p>No, the shortest U.S. Scholar award is a month in duration.</p>   |

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| <p>I would like to teach during the summer time, is there such an opportunity?</p>  | <p>Thank you for your inquiry! Most of our opportunities occur during the academic year. However, there are awards which offer the Flex Option during the summer. In short, applicants can start their application during the academic year but can do an award segment during the summer. Use the Award Search filters to see what is possible:<br/><a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search">https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search</a></p> |
| <p>What type of reference letters to be most successful? Should we be looking at references from close colleagues, or more 'arms-length' people in the field?</p>   | <p>The most successful applications are the ones who follow these instructions here and I am including the link to all of the components, including letters of recommendations. <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a></p>  |
| <p>In the Fulbright Arctic Initiative, does the applicant need to find a host institution for the research project? Thank you.</p>  | <p>Yes, there is a slightly different model for the FAI in terms of your activities while on your grant, but yes, you would propose where you will do your work:<br/><a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/arctic">https://fulbrightscholars.org/arctic</a></p>   |
| <p>Have you all funded photography-based projects before? And if I have an MS, professional experience and am a current PhD student, does that sound like enough qualification?</p>   | <p>Thank you for your question! If you're a current PhD student, we suggest that you check the Fulbright U.S Student Program.</p>  |
| <p>Would you encourage us to reach out directly to host country public agency or academic leaders who might serve as a partners or collaborators — or simply to gather information about project opportunities?</p>   | <p>It will depend on the country/award you're applying for. But yes, generally speaking, it's always good to reach out and identify partners. The exception to this is if a country specifically says DO NOT SEEK a letter of invitation.</p>  |
| <p>Thank you. I'm not interested in the number of applicants to Jordan; rather, I was once told that not many apply to Jordan as a way to encourage applying. Is this still true?</p>   | <p>This changes from year to year. Every cycle we host a 'Hidden Gems' webinar to publicize the countries that may be undersubscribed. These change on a yearly basis.</p>   |
| <p>Can we choose a coPI who is not a US citizen?</p>  | <p>To clarify - do you mean a coPI at the host institution? If yes, then you may.</p>  |
| <p>Something was mentioned about an opportunity for attending a seminar for a short period? Can you elaborate more of what that opportunity is titled?</p>  | <p>Thank you for your question! These are the Fulbright International Education Administrators Awards. More information can be found here or by emailing <a href="mailto:iea@iie.org">iea@iie.org</a>: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/IEA">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/IEA</a></p>   |
| <p>For those of us who are practitioners, working for non-profits but who are scholars/PhD academics, are we at a disadvantage because we are not at a university even if we do a university appointment?</p>   | <p>You are not at a disadvantage. We encourage professionals to apply for Fulbright awards. If you apply for a teaching award you would need to display past experience in teaching.</p>   |
| <p>I am interested in a professional project in public administration and/or urban studies. Potentially community engagement in planning of redevelopment, infrastructure projects or land use plans and the process host countries use in their planning process or processes. Is this an area I could pursue?</p> | <p>Yes, have a look at anything that lists public policy/administration/urban studies/affairs. Or if you're an early to midcareer professional, FPPF may be a good fit too.</p>  |
| <p>Does Fulbright favor research about individual European countries v. research on the EU more broadly? Or are both equally considered? I work with</p>  | <p>Thank you for your question! This is dependent on the award that you're applying to and the host institution's needs.</p>   |

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| an institutional partner in Germany, but I am interested in resarch on EU policy.   |  |
| Do the distinguished scholar awards have a different application process than regular fulbright scholar awards? Is the catalog the same? What makes an applicant distinguished?   | This is the same application process. These awards are available to scholars who have had more than 7 years of experience in their discipline. Distinguished Scholars are expected to actively engage host institutions in a spirit of promoting mutual understanding and sharing knowledge.   |
| And do we need to get a host insitution to approve our partnership ahead of receiving the award? Or is that done in the application process for host institutions?  | It will depend on the award you apply for. Some awards will require this letter, some others will not.   |
| I worked on Indigenous Health during my last Fulbright. Do I have to continue the same area in future Application or can I deviate from this? Does it strengthen the application if I continue the same area,   | You can propose whatever you like!   |
| If we are planning on teaching at a foreign university should/can we reach out to them before the application to see if they are likely/interested in working with us?  | Thank you for your question! Getting in contact with a perspective host institution is a good step at knowing the needs of the host. However, it does not hurt you if you don't if the award does not require it.  |
| Decision is made January - June. Is that 2025?  | For 2025-26, yes that's correct. You'll apply in fall 2024 for the 25-26 academic year   |
| Officially, I am an instructor at my college. However, as is the case in community colleges, I have other duties outside of teaching. I am the Global Studies Coordinador and chair of the Scholar of Global Distinction Program, a UNC World View globalized education program for NC community colleges. With that said, could I qualify as an "administrator" to apply for the two-week programs in Germany or France? | It will depend on how many years you've been working in international education. There is about a minimum of 5 years of working in this field to be eligible...and in the case of France, they're looking for senior administrators, and often times SIOs. But yes, as long as you have an administrator "hat" for 5 years and there is an international component to it, chances are, one of the IEAs will be a good fit. |
| Are faculty allowed to apply for more than awards, like Scholar Awards, Distinguished Scholar Awards, and Fulbright Public Policy Fellowships?  | Thank you for your inquiry! Firstly, the Scholar Awards refers to all opportunities -- of which the Distinguished Scholar Awards and the Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship are a subset. Applicants may only apply to one award per application cycle so you would have to decide if you would like to apply for the Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship versus a broad U.S. Scholar award.                                |
| How important is the "career profile" section of an application? If it specifies mid-career, does that mean someone who is considered "early career" would not be considered, or it is just a suggestion?   | This section of the application is a requirement. If early career is not listed, early career candidates will not be considered.   |
| Do grants pay teaching time?  | Grant amounts vary for teaching and research, but yes - funding involves travel expenses, a stipend and living allowance, at the very minimum.   |
| Do applicants tpycially work with a potential host (institution/country) to develop the research project before/during the application process?   | Yes, that would be ideal, but sometimes hosts are not very responsive, but you need to be a bit familiar with what type of research is supported at that particular institution.   |
| Oh thank you that really helped. If i was interested in applying to only one country for research in the  | Dominican Republic offers an award in All Disciplines, and you can just apply for research.  |

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| <p>specifically in the Dominican Republic what program would be a good suggestion? I am a researcher and looking to specifically research.</p>   |   |
| <p>For the Scholar award do you have to be an expert in the field of your project? What is the minimum level of experience/competency would you recommend having in the field of your project ?</p>  | <p>Thank you for your question! This is all dependent on the award. Every award is different and has different requirements.</p>  |
| <p>We have in our listening group an administrator for our international program. How long does this person need to have served as manager, and what sort of qualifications. Does this program fall within the Fulbright scholars program?</p>   | <p>Thank you for your inquiry! If this applicant is interested in the International Education Administrator (IEA) awards, they will find that the IEA awards have different parameters and requirements on who can apply. I recommend visiting each award or reaching out to <a href="mailto:IEA@iie.org">IEA@iie.org</a> to learn more about the award parameters. You can visit the IEA webpage for more information: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/IEA">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/IEA</a></p>   |
| <p>I've read the help section on "Asking for Leave" from your university, on your website. Thank you. If you aren't up for a sabbatical, how do Scholars typically swing their time away? Do you know how others have successfully negotiated "win-win scenarios" with their Dean, while also protecting their time as a Scholar? (My university currently does not have a liaison.) Would love concrete ideas that have worked well in the past. THANK YOU!</p> | <p>Some institutions have non-medical leave that they can tap into. I think there's a case to be made that you're advancing your institution's profile and brand abroad. You'll likely come back with a suite of skill and expertise that will contribute to the overall development of your home institution. Email us at <a href="mailto:outreach@iie.org">outreach@iie.org</a> for some other case studies!</p>  |
| <p>Are there any restrictions on leaving the host country as a Fulbright scholar? I wouldn't plan on leaving, but can envision situations where it would come up, and curious about holidays...</p>  | <p>You are able to leave the country, you simply need to communicate with your host country office (Fulbright Commission or US Embassy) and your hosts. Note that if you're gone for more than two weeks, this may affect the level of funding you receive</p>  |
| <p>Is there any archive that includes the successful applications?</p>   | <p>Yes, we do offer the Fulbright Scholar Directory - a list of previous Fulbrighters.</p>  |
| <p>Can you tell me what main criteria are used to choose recipients of the International Education Administrators Award? What are the key points that make an application competitive?</p>   | <p>Each country has their own preferences, but it's broken down on our website: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/IEA">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/IEA</a>. I'd say "main" criteria involve being an administrator at the US higher ed institution who is responsible for global/international related issues for your campus. To be competitive...I'd address the three "I"'s of Fulbright. How is what you're doing Innovative? Inclusive of audiences that may not be very active in international education and Impactful. How will this award impact you, your campus, your community. Good luck!</p> |
| <p>Can we get the recording of this presentation?</p>  | <p>Yes, it will be posted on our website by the end of the week. <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/events/webinars">https://fulbrightscholars.org/events/webinars</a></p>  |
| <p>Can a scholar's child join in a gap year between graduating high school and starting college, or would they no longer be considered a dependant?</p>  | <p>A dependent is either (1) a spouse, or (2) a relative (child, grandchild, parent, sibling) who is financially dependent on the grantee. Accompanying dependents are those who spend at least 80% of the grant period with the grantee abroad.</p>  |

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| Re: requirement of US residency of 5 years in the last 6 years, does the 5 years have to be consecutive? For example, I lived in US 20+ years but was abroad for a year in 2020. Can I apply in 2024 for 2025-2026, or should I wait until 2025 to apply?                         | Thank you for your question! If you were abroad for one year, as long as you meet all other eligibility requirements, you're eligible.  |
| Can academics apply for Public Policy fellowship if their research areas are policy oriented?   | Yes.  |
| are there resources/tips when hosting a visiting Fulbright at a US institution?   | Yes, we do have team members available as resources. You can find out more here: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/institutions">https://fulbrightscholars.org/institutions</a>  |
| The award that applied provide tuition reimbursement for one accompanying school-age dependent up to \$20,00.   | This depends on the award and the country. Please reach out to the contact for that award listed on the left side of the page.  |
| Could that amount be used for 2 children?   | You must speak with the host country to confirm.  |
| When is the "Hidden Gem" webinar held?  | We will post our webinars for 25-26 competition here soon: <a href="https://apply.iie.org/portal/scholar_webinars">https://apply.iie.org/portal/scholar_webinars</a>  |
| Is what is considered a terminal degree based on what is required for a tenure-track position? Or more specific, is an MLIS considered a terminal degree for library faculty?   | Thank you for your question! An MLS is a terminal degree. Here is our list of terminal degrees: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/documents/Terminal%20Degrees%202022-2023.pdf">https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/documents/Terminal%20Degrees%202022-2023.pdf</a> |
| If you already have identified a university to work with, what are the next steps?  | Reach out to them and see if they are interested in hosting you as a Fulbrighter.   |
| Thanks so much. Just one quick follow-up. The institution I want to partner with for my project has to be in the list of institutions? what is it is not listed?  | Which award are you interested in?  |
| Can two people work together to submit an application?  | No, each applicant must apply separately, and each application is reviewed on its own.  |
| How do we find the contact for the letter of intention from the host country or university?   | This will be listed in the Catalog of Awards sometimes, otherwise, it is up to the applicant to determine which department to reach out to that best suits their project.   |
| Can a husband -wife apply?  | No, each application is for one person and all applications are reviewed as stand alone.  |
| Is it the USFEP<br><a href="https://www.usefp.org/scholarships/fulbright-scholar.cfm">https://www.usefp.org/scholarships/fulbright-scholar.cfm</a> where I need to look as I am from Pakistan? I am interested in the research and teaching program as a post-doctoral candidate. | As you are a Visiting Scholar, I encourage you to visit our Visiting Scholar page for more information: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/non-us-scholars/fulbright-visiting-scholar-program">https://fulbrightscholars.org/non-us-scholars/fulbright-visiting-scholar-program</a>                     |
| Should I contact first the Fulbright Center of my interest foreign university or my colleague in that university?   | It depends on what you're asking? If for a letter of invitation, you should speak to the department head of the institution you're seeking affiliation with.  |
| So if the applications close 9/15/24, when is the earliest we would learn of our application being successful and then when would be the earliest our program would start?  | The earliest you could learn is January 2025 and the earliest it would start is July 2025.  |
| Do grants buy course release so your salary continues?  | Fulbright isn't involved in this; applicants should discuss this with their home institution.   |
| How would graduate applicants who are not enrolled but have professional and language experience apply?   | Thank you for your question! If you're a graduate student, please check the Fulbright U.S Student Program.  |



| Can lawyers apply?  | Yes!  |
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| Is it possible to work with 2 universities during a fulbright award?  | Thank you for your question! Yes, it's possible. However, you will need to explain the timeline, how, where etc. clearly within your project statement.   |
| Hello, I joined late so I'm not sure if this question has already been asked: what is the timeline for present applicants for the student program who applied last month? Specifically, when will applicants be informed about the next steps?  | This is a U.S. Scholar session, sorry - we don't have information about the student program.  |
| 1) Is there age limitation for fulbright applicants? 2) Is there an opportunity for host institution to place a call for potential fulbright applicants? If so, can you please share the reference or give some hints.  | 1. No, there are no age limits.<br>2. This is normally not the case; however, some countries will list specific institutions that they are looking for applicants for.  |
| I am currently interviewing at Allopathic Medical schools. I will not know my host institution until Spring of 2023. How can I best navigate applying for the Fulbright award as a medical school applicant? I would be able to possibly negotiate a year off from medical school for Fulbright.  | This is a U.S. Scholar session - you may want to reach out to the Fulbright Student Program for guidance on your application.   |
| Does the eligibility to reapply every 2 years apply to all awards, including the fulbright specialist?  | For any questions about the specialist program, including eligibility, please refer to <a href="https://fulbrightspecialist.worldlearning.org">fulbrightspecialist.worldlearning.org</a> , as I don't want to misadvise you |
| I am a senior scholar and a dual citizen, and I have lived here in the US for nearly 20 years, The way my discipline has evolved in each country during that time is significantly different. Is it considered acceptable to look at a Fulbright in one's birth country if I think the cultural dialog could be mutually beneficial?                                      | Yes, it is. We have many "return" Fulbright Scholars who return to their birth country on their Fulbright. Be sure to check the citizenship requirements of the award you are interested in.                                |
| I am interested in applying to the Global Scholar Program to use the flex option and visit 3 specific locations. I will be a PhD candidate at the time of application, but will have the degree in hand during the fellowship period. Am I eligible for the this award?   | Thank you for your question! We suggest you email <a href="mailto:GlobalAward@iie.org">GlobalAward@iie.org</a> for this question.   |
| Follow-up regarding the Fulbright student program - I am curious about the timeline for people who have applied for open research through the US Fulbright Student program.   | Please check the Fulbright U.S. Student website and contact our colleagues there for mor information.   |
| Would my application be better if I show mastery of the language of the host country?   | This can be an asset, but if language proficiency is not required it will not be a determining factor.  |
| Where is this document that Aferdita is speaking about to make sure to include those details in the project?  | I believe it was the scholar directories: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory">https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory</a>   |
| I am getting promoted from assistant to associate professor in July 2024 and would like to submit the application for US fullbright in order to do a Sabbatical in the UK. Do I need to work very closely with the host institution in developing the application? Is the integration of the host in the proposal narrarive essential? Do we need to develop it together? | Congratulations! Yes, I believe all awards to the UK require a letter of invitation, so it would be in your best interest to work with them to develop an application that suits their needs.                               |

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| <p>Can you apply to a country that was your home country?</p>   | <p>It depends. If you hold dual citizenship, then look carefully under the award requirements if you are eligible to apply. Many countries do not mind, but you want to double check.</p>  |
| <p>Would a Program Chair be considered high enough in administration to qualify for the IEA?</p>  | <p>I encourage you to refer to the award description! Every description has award requirements listed in the requirements tab that specifies who is eligible, which varies by country. You can find that at <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/iea">fulbrightscholars.org/iea</a>. Alternatively, you're welcome to email me (Jaclyn) at <a href="mailto:iea@iie.org">iea@iie.org</a>!</p>   |
| <p>What if one has a mortgage in the US and requires living expenses abroad? Is it reasonable to request funds to cover both?</p>   | <p>Fulbright only covers in country living expenses, you will need to speak to your host institution about the support they might provide you if you are selected for a Fulbright.</p>   |
| <p>Hello, and thank you for this Q&amp;A opportunity. For the International Education Administrators Program - with the application window opening in Feb, just wanted to confirm... An applicant can start their online application now, correct (it just cannot be submitted until after the window opens)?</p> | <p>Two of these awards are still open and close on February 1st. <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/IEA">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/IEA</a></p> <p>If the deadline has passed, the application will not open/be available until February.</p>   |
| <p>for in country expenses, what does it covers?</p>  | <p>It varies from country to country, but Aferdita is answering this now.</p>  |
| <p>Are host or hosting institute need to provide resources for a Fulbright scholar, such as lodgging?</p>   | <p>This depends on the award - generally this is not provided by the host institution but as Aferdita said, you will receive a stipend and help in finding lodging.</p>  |
| <p>Do we have to pay taxes in that country or only US taxes?</p>  | <p>It will depend on the country and how you claim your grant amount. We encourage you to speak to tax professionals for more information.</p>   |
| <p>Not sure if you already covered this, but would it be possible to discuss one's research plan as the applicant and get some advice from the Fulbright staff? Do you provide either a phone or Zoom-based one-on-one session as consultation?</p>   | <p>Yes! On the left side of the page listing the award there is contact information for the staff member responsible for that region. You can set up 1:1 session and there are also regional webinars and office hours offered throughout the application cycle.</p>   |
| <p>Does the host institution help awardees find housing?</p>  | <p>Some countries will provide assistance in finding housing, look under the award benefits and that information will be different for every country.</p>  |
| <p>Does the Stipend cover health insurance?</p>   | <p>Thank you for your question! As a U.S. government funded exchange participant, Fulbright grantees qualify to receive Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges (ASPE), a limited health care benefit plan designed by the U.S. Department of State and administered by Seven Corners, Inc. It is not intended to cover long-term healthcare and has limitations in coverage. We encourage grantees to maintain their own private insurance.</p> |
| <p>Are there any age limits?</p>  | <p>None!</p>   |

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| <p>This might be a unique situation, since I am older and mid-career, and have less flexibility than college graduates, people in academia, or people with family money.</p> <p>I was previously a Fulbright ETA, and made arrangements to cover rent/bills at home after quitting my job to be a Fulbright ETA, then it was cut short due to the pandemic... I would love to return under their research or open project, but currently working remote at a university (as an hourly staff employee).</p> <p>If my university allows it, is it possible to continue working (reduced hours) while on Fulbright?</p> | <p>Thank you for your inquiry! As this question is specific to the Fulbright U.S. Student Program and my colleagues and I work on the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program, I encourage you to reach out to the Fulbright U.S. Student Program as we do not want to misadvise you. You can contact our colleagues at the U.S. Student Program at <a href="mailto:FBstudent@iie.org">FBstudent@iie.org</a></p> |
| <p>So, in addition to the award, scholars receive stipend from the host countries? Who (helps to) negotiate the compensation?</p>  | <p>Not necessarily. All stipend and grant amounts are determined at the start of the cycle and listed in the Catalog of Awards. Some receive that money at the start, end, or monthly throughout the grant.</p>   |
| <p>Is there an option to possibly work part-time in the host country for additional income?</p>  | <p>Unfortunately, this is not allowed.</p>  |
| <p>Thank you!</p>  | <p>You are welcome!</p>   |
| <p>For one of the countries under requirements, it says, "Applicants residing in the award country at the time of application or thereafter are not eligible to apply for this award." Does that mean for example, I cannot apply for some other (non-Fulbright) program in that country?</p>  | <p>If the other program will have you residing in the country at the time of application or afterwards before you learn of your status - that would make you ineligible for that specific award.</p>  |
| <p>Has anyone ever decided to stay permanently in the host country after the Fulbright experience?</p>   | <p>We are not aware, but that would be a visa violation and we do not encourage it.</p>   |
| <p>are there any "office hours" webinars coming up where we can ask more questions in a smaller environment?</p>   | <p>Thank you for your question! Since we're in between cycles, we do not have office hours in the moment, but they'll be coming soon. You can always email us with questions in the meantime.</p>   |
| <p>I am confused about a search result - there is a summer flex search option, and a number of countries come up when that is selected. But when you look at the gray box on the flex award requirement box for individual countries from this search, all of them seem to state that grant segments are NOT allowed in the summer months. I am confused about this...</p>   | <p>Thank you for your inquiry! Our awards must start during the academic year. However, the Flex (summer) option allows applicants to do their 2nd or 3rd segments during the summer months. However, applicants must justify why they are doing a Fulbright award in that timeframe.</p>   |
| <p>Is the global scholar program more competitive than other awards in the scholar program?</p>  | <p>My colleagues is answering this right now.</p>   |
| <p>is it preferable to travel on the US passport if you happened to have a passport from the country of destination?</p>   | <p>Yes, you must travel with your U.S. passport.</p>  |
| <p>Hello, i applied for nehru award india where host invitation was a optional. here i can here host invitation make application stronger. i received my host country india invitation now. how can i submit now? i want my application strong please.</p>   | <p>Unfortunately, the deadline has passed, and we are no longer able to make any changes to submitted applications.</p>   |

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| I'm a dual citizen (American and EU country), living in the United States. Is that considered an advantage or disadvantage if I apply for a Fulbright award in the EU country I'm also a citizen of? | This depends on the country you are applying to. This will not make your application stronger, but it may make you ineligible for awards in that country -please check the requirements.                                 |
| Is Fulbright award enough to pay travel, rent, and food for the award period, or is it more supplemental and an applicant should be on the US payroll during the award?                              | All the living expenses in country are covered by Fulbright.   |
| If you are an immigrant and a US citizen. What is your rule when applying to the country of your birth   | This depends on the country you are applying to, be sure to check the award requirements, especially if you are a dual citizen as this may make your ineligible.   |
| Thank you all for providing the information and answerign our questions! greatly appreciate it!  | Thank you for attending our webinar.   |
| I've studied a Business Management at the University of Surrey and got a 2:1 having graduated 2 years ago. How can I best apply to this and will this be fully funded? How long is this for?         | This session was for the U.S. Scholar program (faculty and administrators), you may want to look at opportunities for the U.S. student program.  |
| Would all the questions and answers be available in a FAQ?   | All questions and answers will be available in the recording when it is posted on our website:<br><a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/events/webinars">https://fulbrightscholars.org/events/webinars</a>              |
| Which universities does the fulbright scholar cover?   | Our awards will open in February 2024! We suggest you check our awards then.   |
| what is step 1?  | sign up for more information so we ping you when the cycle opens in Feb. Start reaching out to contacts abroad now to pitch you project!   |
| Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional award  | Please email <a href="mailto:southcentralasia@iie.org">southcentralasia@iie.org</a> for more information!  |
| since it was optional ,it going to make weak my application please?  | No, it will not count against you in the review process.   |
| What date in February will applications be available?  | This has not yet been announced but join the Fulbrighter Network for more updates:<br><a href="https://apply.iie.org/register/my_fulbright">https://apply.iie.org/register/my_fulbright</a>                              |
| What date in February will applications be available?  | Early February! Sign up for information, we'll be sure to ping you. Likely 2/15.   |
| Which link is the one for UK students applying to UK?  | Foreign nationals need to apply from your place of origin. So please contact the Fulbright commission in London.   |
| Can you restate the potential application information/ availability date for next year?  | This will be available starting in February 2024 - for more information you can sign up for our newsletter - <a href="https://apply.iie.org/register/scholar_inquiry">https://apply.iie.org/register/scholar_inquiry</a> |