# **FULBRIGHT** Scholar Program

## Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities in East Asia and the Pacific in 2023-24

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# **Today's Webinar**

- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- Types of Awards
- Opportunities in East Asia and the Pacific
- 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 & Inclusion**

Fulbright strives to ensure that it reflects the diversity of U.S. society and societies abroad. We encourage the involvement of people from traditionally underrepresented audiences in all our grants, programs and other initiatives.

Opportunities are open to people regardless of their race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, geographic location, socioeconomic status, disability, sexual orientation or gender identity.







### Fulbright 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

Approximately 400,000 "Fulbrighters" have participated in the program since its inception in 1946.





### 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

#### Fulbright is family-friendly.

- Approximately 60% of our awards provide dependent support
- Many Fulbright dependents go on to have international careers

#### 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 and waiting periods between grants







### Fulbright Scholar Awards – Which is for you?

#### 4 Award Types:

- Scholar Awards
- Postdoctoral Awards
- Distinguished Scholar Awards
- International Education Administrator Awards

#### **Flex Option**

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

#### **Global & Regional awards**







### 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





# East Asia and the Pacific: Current Opportunities







### East Asia and the Pacific: Regional Highlights

- 41 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 East</u> <u>Asia Pacific Regional Travel Program</u>, funding short term regional travel grants (5-14 days)
- <u>ASEAN Research Award</u>: collaborative research related to the ASEAN region or US-ASEAN relations in 2-3 countries







### Country Highlights: Australia

- Largest program in the region with 18 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 2024**







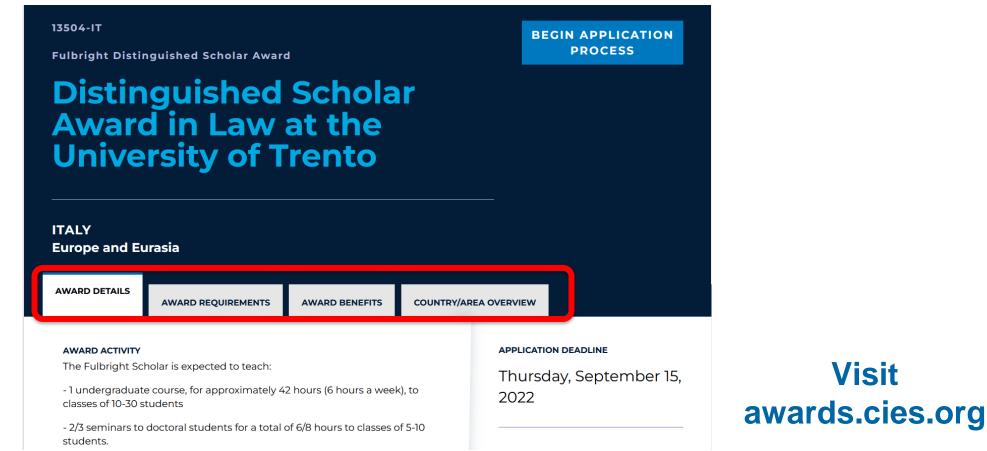
### **Regional Highlights**

- 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





### Understanding the Awards



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### **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)
- Select bibliography (for research)
- Portfolio submissions (for artists, architects, and journalists)







### Tips to submit 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 your application and enter your referees' information as soon as possible. You can always save and return to it.
- Take advantage of IIE resources, including webinars, office hours and pointed application guidance on our website.

### Remember: You only can receive an award if you <u>apply</u>!







### **Application Cycle**

2023-24 Competition Now Open

FEBRUARY	Catalog of Awards 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 – APRIL	Final decisions are made
MAY – ONWARD	Participants prepare for departure





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