# **FULBRIGHT** Scholar Program

# **Opportunities in the Western Hemisphere for 2023-24**

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# **Today's Webinar**

- Program Overview
- Eligibility
- Regional Highlights
- Opportunities in the Western Hemisphere
- 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.







# 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







### **Regional Highlights**

- 25 countries represented from Canada to Chile
- 58 award offerings in the region funding over 150 recipients
- "Flex Option" for multiple visits over two years
- Multi-country research through the <u>Carlos Rico Award</u>: Trilateral research related to Canada, Mexico and the U.S.
- **Fulbright Public Policy Program to Colombia (new) and Peru:** Placement in a government ministry; for early career professionals
- **Regional Travel Program:** Allows Fulbrighter to travel to another country to attend a conference, workshop or give a lecture. Apply while on grant.







# Canada

#### All Disciplines Award (3)

- Research or Teaching/Research
- 3 grants, 4-9 months, Flex option available
- Affiliation can be with any university, government agency, or research institution in Canada
- Letter of invitation is required

### Fulbright Canada Distinguished Research Chairs at Carleton University (5)

- 4 grants for 9 months; letter of invitation optional Academic fields include:
- Arts and Social Sciences in Canada and North America
- Entrepreneurship
- Environmental Science
- Public Affairs in North America: Society, Policy, Media
- Scholarship of Teaching and Learning



Orientation in Ottawa for US Scholars







# Canada

**Research Chair Awards**: 12 themed awards with pre-identified host institutions. Applicants rank host preference in the proposal. Letters of invitation are generally not required.

- Arts, Humanities, and Culture
- Business and Management
- Economics
- Education
- Environmental Studies
- Food Studies

- Health Studies
- Indigenous Studies
- North American Studies
- Policy, Law, and Governance
- Science and Technology
- All Disciplines

### **Fulbright Canada-Pierre Elliott Trudeau Joint Chair in Contemporary Public Policy:**

4 months in Montreal followed by an 8-month remote affiliation Research in contemporary public policy – theme for 2022 is *Global Economies* 





# **Central America**

All Disciplines awards to

**Belize** 

Costa Rica

**El Salvador** 

**Guatemala** 

**Honduras** 

Nicaragua

#### Panama:

- <u>All Disciplines</u>
- Science, Technology and Education



Fulbright Scholar Jonathan Stuart with family at Tikal ruins in Guatemala.







# Mexico

### Fulbright-García Robles awards:

- Border Scholar Travel Award
- Science and Technology
- Social Sciences and Humanities
- <u>Teaching English as a Foreign Language</u>
- U.S. Studies Chair
- Postdoctoral Award



Fulbright Scholar Melisa Cahnmann-Taylor with family in Mexico

### Fulbright Carlos Rico Award for North American Studies (with equal time in Canada)







### The Andes

### All Disciplines awards to:

- Bolivia (approx. 2, Flex option)
- Colombia (up to 16, Flex option)
- Ecuador (up to 4, Flex option)
- <u>Peru</u> (4, Flex option)









### Brazil

All Disciplines Award: up to 30 available! Applicant selects host institution

#### **New** Distinguished Scholar awards:

- Biodiversity and Environmental Conservation
- Education and Reducing Inequality
- Medical Sciences
- Renewable Energy and Green Hydrogen Production
- Interdisciplinary Network
- Urban Studies



Students at Universidade Federal de Pelotas





### Southern Cone

### Argentina:

- Social Sciences and Humanities (3)
- <u>Science and Technology</u> (3)

### Chile:

- <u>Astronomy and Antarctic Studies</u> (4) (new)
- Science and Technology (10)
- <u>Social Sciences, Humanities and Education</u> (10)

### **Paraguay:**

• <u>All Disciplines</u> (2)

### Uruguay:

- <u>All Disciplines</u> (2)
- <u>Agriculture</u> (1)









### Caribbean

Bahamas: All Disciplines Barbados and Eastern Caribbean: All Disciplines

**Dominican Republic:** All Disciplines

Guyana: STEM and Agriculture

Jamaica: All Disciplines

Suriname: All Disciplines

**Trinidad and Tobago:** 

- All Disciplines
- <u>Multiple Disciplines</u> College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts









### **Postdoctoral Awards**

- <u>Canada</u> (up to 3)
- <u>Mexico</u> (up to 4)

#### Alia Khan, Postdoctoral Scholar to Chile



# **Public Policy Fellowships**

- <u>Colombia</u>
- <u>Peru</u>

For early to mid-career public policy professionals Placements in government ministries for 4 to 9 months *Advanced Spanish Required* 







### Language Requirements

Spanish (and/or other regional languages) may be required with levels varying by country and award.

The "Award Requirements" tab in the award description will state either "Required" or "Recommended" and the level (advanced or intermediate).

<u>Two types of evaluation:</u> **Self-evaluation** – Applicant completes this in the application form; sufficient if native speaker or language is not required by award

**External Evaluation** - Called the **Language Proficiency Report**; may be required in addition to the self-evaluation if language proficiency is **required** by the award. This consists of a form your evaluator completes and submits to the application system.

Note: You must register an evaluator in the application form. Must be received by the 9/15/22 deadline.





# Selecting the Right Award



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

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





# Understanding the Awards



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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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