

# Fulbright U.S. Scholar Application - Open Forum

## Webinar Q&A Box Questions and Answers

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Question	Answer
What is the deadline for submitting (1) recommendation letter, (2) invitation letter?	Good afternoon! The deadline is September 16th at 5PM EST.
Just making sure - our audio and video is off?	Yes. Please type your questions here in Q&A.
Can one change dates and duration of visit once application is granted?	This depends on the grant and the host country. It is advised that this is changed as little as possible, but above all else please check the award description to make sure your dates fit with the start period and duration listed.
What program(s) to use, if I want to do research? Can I go for 12 months, or only 6 months?	Hello! This webinar is only for the Fulbright U.S Scholar Program. As for the second question, all awards have different time periods so we recommend checking the award details of the award you're interested in to see if that timeframe is possible. Every award is different.
I'm aiming for the Fulbright-NEHRU Distinguished Scholar fellowship and will propose both teaching and research. Would it be better, though, to apply for a regular fellowship instead of the Distinguished Scholar? I notice that there are only 2 offered for a Distinguished Scholar. (I'm definitely a senior scholar and qualified for the Distinguished Scholar)	That's up to you! You may be eligible to apply for either but note some differences between the two like award benefits. If you're a senior scholar (e.g. a full professor at a U.S. institution) the distinguished scholar might be something to consider!
I am applying for a combined teaching and research award. I am a librarian and don't teach for credit, though I do teach a lot of workshops and a semester-length course every year. There really isn't someone at my institution "responsible for evaluating my teaching." Can you offer guidance on how to interpret that requirement on letters of recommendation? Thanks!	Consider getting a letter of recommendation from someone inside or outside your institution who is familiar with your teaching.
I am looking at two different programs, and have been corresponding with both since June. I am waiting responses to my emails but understand that many academics are on vacation in August. How can I see the specific materials required for each (and start working on them) without choosing one or the other?	Thank you for your inquiry! For learning more about the host institutions interest, I recommend following up to your initial emails as well as reaching out to Fulbright Scholar Alums. Check the Scholar Directory to see relevant folks who have participated at the institution of interest. Often, alums are happy to provide contacts and

	<p>context from their own experiences:  <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory">https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory</a></p>
Will we receive a recorded link for this meeting?	<p>Yes, and if you do not, the recording will be posted to our webinar library within 24 hours.  <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/events/webinars">https://fulbrightscholars.org/events/webinars</a></p>
I would like to search for all disciplines (including law) but can't seem to figure out how to do that without pulling up every single possible listing, including not law. I hope this makes sense.	<p>Hello! This will happen because we show the "All Disciplines" awards for every search that will also include law. Here's a search for you:  <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?field_award_multi_country=All&amp;discipline[]=8083&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All">https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?field_award_multi_country=All&amp;discipline[]=8083&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</a></p>
I intend to apply for Distinguished Scholar for Teaching/Research. If there is no specification for the percentage of teaching/research what should we put in?	<p>Usually, the breakdown of teaching and researching should be 50/50 when not specified.</p>
I'm finding the 3-5 page limit for the project statement challenging with all the questions and content recommendations on the Fulbright statement guidelines and sample statements webpage. Some is repetitive - is it best to repeat or as long as we have all the content somewhere within the proposal, benefits, importance, and process categories - that is ok?	<p>Hello! We recommend not repeating yourself and instead strategically saving information for each part of the application. This makes for a more engaging reading experience for your reviewers. The prompt to which you refer are guidelines, but you need not be exhaustive.</p>
If you admitted to the program can you defer to the next year?	<p>Deferments are not permitted on the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program.</p>
Is the deadline not Tuesday, October 8th?	<p>The deadline for the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program is September 16th. The deadline for the Fulbright U.S. Student program is October 8.</p>
I read two different portfolio requirements where one states: 15 minutes of total video, and another that states: 30 minutes of video total. I am applying for a research grant as a filmmaker (Italy) so which total amount is correct?	<p>You may submit up to 30 minutes of video total.</p>
When the award institution says "letter should not be sought" - should I still try to contact someone at the institution?	<p>Hello! We encourage you to still reach out the host and speak to them (unless it is specified in the award to not to) but do not seek a letter.</p>
Is there a way to download a blank application for preparation purposes? I have been to the on-line form and would like to see the whole entire application before answering the questions. Thanks.	<p>Unfortunately, not. However, you can download the application instructions, and it has all the questions.</p>
May one have more than one host institution?	<p>Hello! Yes, you can have more than one. We ask that you do an equal split of time, get two Invitation Letters, and inform each host of the other.</p>
I'm an assistant professor exploring a public health teaching/ research scholarship in Canada. What happens if I don't hear back from my preferred universities that I reached out to? Can I still submit my application? Thanks for your guidance.	<p>You can still submit your application, however if the award you are applying to requires a letter of invitation and this letter is missing, your application will be considered ineligible.</p>
For the IE Administrators app, do you need at least 5 years of experience only in higher education, or is other experience across IE considered (teaching K-12, consulting, etc.)?	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! This refers to international education at the tertiary level. If you do not have that level yet, I recommend waiting until you do so you can be a competitive applicant.</p>

<p>I have already visited the university where I intend to spend my Fulbright if awarded. Should I play the his up? or not? because it could be perceived that the link has been established</p>	<p>If you already have a relationship there it will be good to highlight this, however, it is important to ensure that you address why you would need a Fulbright grant to complete this project, especially if you are indicating that you have visited the institution before without a Fulbright grant.</p>
<p>Where can I find sample proposals?</p>	<p>Hello! We do not provide sample proposals, but we do provide lengthy application instructions on our website: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a></p>
<p>Hello, I applied lat year and made it to a short list but I was not selected. I am planning on applying again this September for the same opportunity with the same proposal (with a few updates). Are there barriers associated with resubmitting a similar application a second time?</p>	<p>Hello! No, each application is a clean slate, so you are welcome to adjust the prior application with any new developments to make it apply to this competition.</p>
<p>Is it possible to delete an uploaded document in the application if you need to make a change as long as the application as a whole hasn't been submitted?</p>	<p>Yes, it is possible to edit your application before you submit it, but not after you submit it.</p>
<p>I would like to apply for a research and teaching position. My research would be on 19th century scholarship appropriate to the location/university, but I'm proposing to teach in another field because there's a greater need in that field and it's a national movement in India. Is that acceptable?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes, this is fine. Just find a way to make the two parts cohere somehow in your Project Statement so you present a complete package.</p>
<p>If one had 10 years ago a Fulbright Scholar can one apply again for a Distinguishes Scholar in another country? Is this a minus for having had a Fulbright in the past?</p>	<p>As long as 2 years have passed from your last Fulbright, you are eligible to apply again and provide rationale why you want to apply for another Fulbright.</p>
<p>Whats the best way to partner with a university in Mumbai or Delhi. JNU in Delhi is one top choice but I'd like a list of appropriate universities. Thx.</p>	<p>In the Indian award descriptions for Fulbright U.S. Scholars, you'll see information on eligible host institutions, they need to be recognized by one of the government entities provided. If you really can't tell, the Commission's email is also in the award - you're welcome to contact them!</p>
<p>Does the 12-point font requirement for the project statement also apply to the footnotes?</p>	<p>Hello! Footnotes are up to your preference.</p>
<p>Are there any Fulbright funds that would provide backfill to the scholar's university, e.g. if the university does not provide a sabbatical to the scholar?</p>	<p>The award benefits available are listed in the award under the benefits section. This amount is set and should not be expected to change.</p>
<p>Multiple universities in the same city are willing to host me. Is it possible/desirable to have multiple hosts?</p>	<p>Hello! We typically recommend one formal host. If you choose to have two, we ask for an equal split of time, two letters of invitation, and informing of each host. You are always welcome to collaborate with other colleagues in a less formal capacity if what I describe sounds logistically prohibitive.</p>
<p>Is there a publicly accessible database of application statistics so we can see which countries have higher or lower competitive rates from previous award years?</p>	<p>Unfortunately, we do not share those statistics. However, you can check the Fulbright Scholar Directory which is a list of previous Fulbrighters.</p>
<p>What is the chance of getting a second or third award?</p>	<p>Hello! Unfortunately, we do not have those statistics. But we always encourage folks to reapply!</p>

<p>Hello and thank you for this webinar. The call for the Fulbright I am applying for includes “Support for Research Counterparts.” I don’t see a budget document so I was wondering if that request should be included in the proposal itself?</p>	<p>There is no budget proposal required when you apply for the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program.</p>
<p>Who will be reviewing my application if I apply for the Nehru scholar program, India?</p>	<p>The application will undergo three review steps. The first is technical review, done by the Fulbright team to ensure the application is complete and eligible. The second will be by a group of your peers in your field and facilitated by IIE employees. The third is the country itself, the application will be reviewed by the commission in India.</p>
<p>Hello! I'm applying for the Denmark fellowship (25078-DK). My host university does not need me to do any teaching, but suggested 100% research. How do I enter this into the application form since the minimum teaching is listed as 10%? Thanks!</p>	<p>Hello! Teaching is required for this award, and you will not be competitive for it if you do not teach. Therefore, I recommend explaining to your host that this is a requirement, so you are more likely to be able to go if you teach.</p>
<p>I'm preparing an application for research in a country for which English language proficiency is sufficient. The Language sections says "What languages, other than English, are relevant to your proposed project? Complete the self-evaluation below for up to three languages." The process is still giving an error for Language Skills. How do I correct this?</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! Simply input 'English' as a language and mark that you're a native speaker.</p>
<p>Should the stated start date account for getting settled in host country (housing, transportation, schools, etc). So perhaps add in 2-3 weeks for this?</p>	<p>Start date includes your start of the project including travel to the country and settling in there.</p>
<p>In reference to this program:  <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/global">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/global</a>          If some of my research will take place in the US (in addition to the other countries in my application), do I need to list the USA as a location? I am thinking of the</p>	<p>You can describe this research as part of the overall project proposal, but please note no funding is available for research in the U.S. nor is the U.S. considered a country for the program (meaning, the U.S. does not count as one of the countries in WHA). If you have any additional questions, please email <a href="mailto:global@iie.org">global@iie.org</a></p>
<p>I was wondering if it would be helpful or problematic to mention that my father-in-law teaches at a university where I want to conduct interviews (not the university with which I was to affiliate and where I want to teach).</p>	<p>I don’t think it is a problem - as long as they do not provide the letter of invitation for you.</p>
<p>I am a US citizen but born and raised in Sri Lanka. I am in the process of applying for the Fulbright scholarship to conduct research and teaching in Sri Lanka. Would you discourage this as I was born in Sri Lanka?</p>	<p>This is up to you! Dual citizens are not restricted from applying, but you need to ensure you have strong and sound *professional and academic reasons* for conducting your project there.</p>
<p>Regarding the Research Grant, are analyzing and writing-up results of data collection (I’m in social sciences and wish to collect data and write articles) be coverable by the grant, in addition to data collection?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes, you can set your own parameters for what "Research" means. You just need to persuade us of the feasibility of the project in the time frame and with the chosen collaborator.</p>
<p>If you’re applying for a Teaching/Research award, how much should you address the teaching in the Project Statement, especially given that you often don’t know what you’d be teaching until if/when you’re lucky enough to win the award?</p>	<p>You need to have a teaching plan specified on your application before you hit submit.</p>

<p>If I am applying for the Open Study/Research Award for South Korea (the deadline is Sept. 16th?) and is there a language proficiency or enrollment requirement...</p>	<p>Yes, the deadline is September 16th and please check the Award Requirements tab of your award to see if there is a language proficiency requirement.</p>
<p>I am having trouble determining whether my practice-based research project in the arts in Indonesia is teaching, research, or teaching/research. And, whether there would be a requirement from an IRB when I don't have a host institution in my home country. My proposed host institution would agree to help me setup workshops to offer movement based practice in which I will also participate and take notes of my experience.</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! Firstly, IRB is not a necessary component of the application process. It is up to the applicant to determine what that looks like from the perspective of your home and host institutions. For activity type, I recommend looking at our activity type page to determine which is most appropriate for you. If you are doing any work that helps answer a research question, you are doing research. Here is the activity type page for further clarification: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#activities">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#activities</a></p>
<p>I'm wondering if the recommendation letters should come only from US scholars/experts and/or/also international scholars/experts who can speak to one's global reputation and fit with a proposed international research project?</p>	<p>International experts can serve as recommenders as well.</p>
<p>I am planning to apply for a position in Cambodia. I have met the person who will provide the letter of invitation — and we agreed on 4 months. Is that an OK length?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes, the award asks for 3-6 months.</p>
<p>Could share us the presentation.</p>	<p>Hello! The presentation will be available on our website by Friday.</p>
<p>My application is due Sept 16. How long after that date will decisions be made?</p>	<p>Hello! Please see our timeline on website: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#timeline">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#timeline</a></p>
<p>can we get the URL to that website?</p>	<p>Hello! Here: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/">https://fulbrightscholars.org/</a></p>
<p>What cycle should I apply for if I want to begin my grant term after June 2026?</p>	<p>Hello! I would say 2026-2027.</p>
<p>I plan to apply for Fulbright-Nehru Distinguished Scholar program. I've checked its qualifications and I have the background to fit them. I have a few questions: 1) What kind of recommenders will help strengthen your application? 2) I'm currently not connected with any university in India and need the office's assistance in receiving suggested host institutions from Ms/Mr. Ghosh. Will that disadvantage my application in any way? 3) The program suggests that March to June/july to avoid to arrive due to India's post-secondary education schedule. But if I plan to arrive say in May to get acclimated to India's climate and geography, will that plan disadvantage my application?</p>	<p>Please find who should serve as a recommender here: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a>, you are encouraged to have a host institution, and your travel should be according to the dates of the award.</p>
<p>I am applying to teach in two separate departments at a university. Is it okay to include two letters of invitation in my application?</p>	<p>Hello! I would not since we intend one letter for one institution. I would ask these collaborators to co-sign a single letter instead.</p>
<p>Follow up, would it be better to have one host institution and letters from other universities interested in collaboration during my time there? That might be more clear for institutions if it's okay for Fulbright application. Thanks for advice!</p>	<p>Hello! There is no provision for "letters of support" in our application, so you are best off just mentioning this broader interest elsewhere in the application, whether in the "Country Choice" Short Essay or the Project Statement.</p>



<p>I'd like some advice on choosing which country/program to apply to. I'm a Russian specialist, so my main country for research is not an option. However, I am interested in teaching and conducting research in any country in Eurasia with a significant Russian-speaking population — that includes many Fulbright countries, some with multiple programs. I'm wondering how to determine where I'd be a most competitive candidate. Thank you!</p>	<p>If you're considering various countries, I encourage you to consider hidden gems, which are awards our team sees that for whatever reason don't garner enough attention! You can see those in the slides for our recent webinar: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/event/global-hidden-gems-2">https://fulbrightscholars.org/event/global-hidden-gems-2</a> You're also welcome to contact us at <a href="mailto:EuropeEurasia@iie.org">EuropeEurasia@iie.org</a> or <a href="mailto:SouthCentralAsia@iie.org">SouthCentralAsia@iie.org</a> (for central Asian countries) to consult with our staff.</p>
<p>My application will be for co-teaching; would you recommend (or is it necessary), to include a syllabus of my own with the syllabus that will be used in my proposed co-taught course? I was thinking that an extra syllabus could present a good idea of how I teach my courses.</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! It is a missed opportunity to not maximize all spaces in the application. In your case, I highly recommend including an additional syllabus to further highlight your teaching philosophy. You can find more information about Syllabi/Course Outlines in the application steps page: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a></p>
<p>Can the Fulbright Specialist application use the same email and password?</p>	<p>Hello! For Specialist questions, please contact World Learning since they administer that program.</p>
<p>My application calls for a statement about my organizations International program. All that information is on a web page. Can I reference that page within the application or do I need to copy all of that info to a file and put a source citation on the uploaded page??</p>	<p>We do not allow links to be included in the applications, you may reference/cite the page, but please put all the information into a file.</p>
<p>If I am not sure about the security situation in a certain country what do you suggest I do? wait or apply and cancel/defer?</p>	<p>Please reach out to the contact listed on the left side of the award page and/or refer to the State Department's website for travel advisories. We do not allow deferments, but if a country becomes unsafe to travel to, you will hear from IIE regarding next steps.</p>
<p>I understand that the Fulbright program doesn't provide support for additional dependents. However, I'm trying to get a better understanding of how feasible it would be for my family to join me abroad. Do you have any information on whether this could be an option, particularly for Europe, and what the likelihood might be? Thank you.</p>	<p>There are dependent benefits on some awards, you can look through the catalog here: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search">https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search</a>. On the left-hand side, you can toggle the "dependent benefits" to yes to explore options.</p>
<p>If I happen to get an temporary residency visa from the country I am applying to does this disqualify me for the Fulbright if I receive it in the same year?</p>	<p>Hello! Please check the second tab, the "Award Requirements" tab, of the award that interests you to see the residency requirements.</p>
<p>is it reasonable to reach out to colleagues at a university you want to ask for an invitation from, even if you don't know them? is there a way you would recommend that cold call? Do you share the cv and syllabus for the proposed course? And a brief project description?</p>	<p>Yes, absolutely. You're welcome to reach out to institutions you might not know yet! I encourage you to share a brief description of the course/research you intend to carry out but avoid attachments (as that's less likely to make it through a spam filter). Also feel free to reach out on LinkedIn!</p>
<p>How do you guarantee a 'diverse' selection of awardees (with respect to how this is viewed in the U.S.), when it looks like the selection committee here is not particularly 'diverse' (with respect to how this is viewed in the U.S.)? There seems to be a gap here.</p>	<p>Hello! The faces you see onscreen are not the selection committee (but we have other diversity beyond the visible on the team!). We carefully choose our peer reviewers for diversity.</p>

<p>I would like to start working on the materials needed even though I don't know yet which award I will choose. Is there a way to see what materials I need to provide for either without choosing one or the other first?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes. You can see all our application components on our website: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a></p>
<p>Who are the best people to be recommenders? Does one have to come from someone outside of your school?</p>	<p>Hello! Letters should be from those who know you and your work well and can address the points below, as listed under the "For Recommenders" section: One letter should be from a colleague or supervisor at your current place of employment. If your institution or employer recently changed, one of the letters should be from someone at your previous institution or employer. One letter should be from a colleague within your discipline. This can be someone outside of your current place of employment and can include colleagues with whom you have collaborated on research in the last several years in the U.S. or abroad. If you have selected Teaching or Teaching/Research for your grant activity: One letter should be from an individual responsible for evaluating your teaching. If you are currently finishing your doctorate or other terminal degree: If you are applying before your final degree requirements are complete, one of your letters must come from your committee chair. Their letter should also address your degree</p>
<p>How far back does this application system go? If I had an account in 2012, is it still active?</p>	<p>This is a pretty new application system, so we do not have your record from 2012.</p>
<p>Will Q&amp;A also be shared?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes, it will.</p>
<p>What does WHA stand for?</p>	<p>WHA stands for Western Hemisphere.</p>
<p>Glorimar, I don't see sample proposals on the link. Is it because I've already signed in to apply?</p>	<p>Hello! We do not have sample proposals. The link shows the instructions and additional information for the proposal.</p>
<p>If I apply for a particular university in a particular country, and they didn't reply, what are my other options</p>	<p>I suggest considering another award or another country.</p>
<p>The system indicates that there are two accounts associated with my university email. The older account might be linked to recommendations for the ETA program. Could this be an issue? If so, is there someone I can contact to resolve it?</p>	<p>Yes, please contact the person on the lefthand side of the award listing to which you are applying, and we can get this resolved.</p>
<p>Fulbright congratulated me a few years back, for "winning" a Fulbright grant. However the India Fulbright desk refused to give me permission and destroyed my application. What are their criteria and how do I communicate with them?</p>	<p>Please contact the South and Central Asia adviser for more information on your specific case. <a href="mailto:southcentralasia@iie.org">southcentralasia@iie.org</a></p>
<p>RE DEIA criteria--shoudl this be addressed in the applicaiton narrative? And, is living in rural area in US considered diversity (it is considered 'underrepresednted' by NIH standards).</p>	<p>Yes, please specify on your application if you are representing a rural U.S. institution.</p>
<p>I have participated With Fullbright on a GPA program this year though my institution. Am I considered a new candidate since I am applying for individual Fullbright and not a group program?</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! In the application and in our application instructions (<a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/application-instructions">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/application-instructions</a>), the academic and professional information states that previous Fulbright Awards include: Fulbright U.S. Scholar,</p>

	<p>Fulbright U.S. Student (including ETA), International Education Administrator Seminar, Fulbright Amazonia, Fulbright Arctic, German Studies Seminar, NEXUS, Fulbright Visiting Scholar, New Century Scholars, Fulbright Foreign Student (including FLTA), Fulbright Specialist, and Fulbright-Hays. However, Fulbright-Hays recipients do not have to wait 2 years after the conclusion of their award before they can apply to the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program.</p>
<p>Specific to my application, but my discipline is Film/Cinema Studies, which leads to the Portfolio option popping up, even as I'm not applying to be filmmaker. How should this be explained in the "No" option in the portfolio submission box? Is it sufficient to simply say "Not applicable for this award," or is more detail required?</p>	<p>Hello! We are aware that this discipline is complex. We typically recommend that those in your discipline choose History &gt; Cultural History instead, and then we assign you to a peer review committee equipped to understand your work and more in line with what you do.</p>
<p>I know this is focused on general Fulbright scholar awards, but for those of us who are mid-career to senior, can you please clarify the differences between general Fulbright awards and Distinguished Fulbright, Fulbright Specialist, Fulbright Arctic, and Fulbright Public Policy Specialist awards? Can they be applied for simultaneously?</p>	<p>You can only apply for one Fulbright U.S. Scholar award per application cycle but note that this is separate from Specialist! You can apply for specialist and scholar simultaneously; you just can't *carry out activities* at the same time. Note that distinguished scholar awards are just one category of U.S. Scholar awards; they are included in the over 400 awards we offer and the application is the same! They simply are awards exclusively seeking more accomplished faculty.</p>
<p>Thank you I understand that there is no budget. If I may a follow up question Where do I make the request for "Support for Research Counterparts."?</p>	<p>What award are you applying to?</p>
<p>How important is it to identify a "host organization" in advance of submitting your application? How do you go about identifying your partner organization? Are there resources to help identify a good "match" between your research idea and the region you wish to visit?</p>	<p>Hello! All but a handful of our awards need you to find a host in advance. Given the short turnaround time, I recommend you look for awards with a named university in the award title because then there will be a contact on the award. You can also use the Scholar Directory to find alumni and see where they have gone, for more ideas: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory">https://fulbrightscholars.org/fulbright-scholar-directory</a></p>
<p>Should prior professional connections with host institution or department be included in the application? (e.g., prior publication, participant in their mentorship program) Would this be seen as positive in the application?</p>	<p>Yes this is seen as a positive as long as you do not have recent extensive experience in the country.</p>
<p>If the award lists "Conduct a research project designated by the host institution" (but not a research project of the applicants choosing; award is Greece all disciplines), how can I emphasize in my application that the host institution has "designated" this research project? (it is a collaborative project with three faculty members at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, who will be writing a letter of support).</p>	<p>Please indicate that on your application and ask the host to indicate this on their letter of invitation.</p>
<p>If I can choose between the host being a government entity versus university, in the same city, (for a research award) is there any preference (when evaluating</p>	<p>No, both are rated equally. The most important thing is that you cannot be hosted by a profit seeking organization.</p>



<p>application) about who is the host? In other words, do I get more 'credit' if the host is university versus a government organization?</p>	
<p>Do we need to connect to the institute we apply before application to see if it is a good match? If so, how to connect to the institution.</p>	<p>Check your award! Some awards require that you arrange a letter of invitation; for others it's optional, meaning it doesn't hurt your application to apply without one.</p>
<p>I received a Fulbright Student Research award for 2018-2019. Should I answer "no" to the eligibility question asking if I have ever received a Fulbright Scholar award (because mine was a Student award)?</p>	<p>Yes, that's correct. You can hit "no" because it wasn't a Fulbright U.S. Scholar Award.</p>
<p>Hello. May I simultaneously apply for both a Distinguished (since only one is accepted) and regular Fulbright Scholarship to Egypt?</p>	<p>Hello! Unfortunately, you can only apply to one award per competition cycle.</p>
<p>I am looking to work with the National Park system and not a university. The country page has an email address for the state department to get non-listed institutions "reviewed" but when I emailed them I got a response that I should reach out to see if the host was ready to host me and that the state department couldn't help. I assume they are an appropriate host, but I am not sure if I need to do something more. Thanks.</p>	<p>Hello! Please email the team member whose address is on the left-hand side of the award. It will reach one of us, and we can help you get this answer.</p>
<p>I am a Biomedical Engineer but I am applying for a program with collaborating with an Electrical Engineer (the project is mainly still bio-focused), However, the website doesn't list my Primary Specialization under the Academic Discipline of Engineering. Would I select other and then add info to the Other Specializations instead?</p>	<p>Yes, you may do so there or select the field that is closest.</p>
<p>Hello. Does the host institution or country government review your application? I am applying for a Global Scholar award.</p>	<p>If your application makes it through the first review stage (peer review), then the country offices (either Fulbright Commissions or US Embassies, depending on the country) will then review your application.</p>
<p>I don't see the Canada Program and I received information from them that, "Fulbright Canada is excited to announce that we are offering American Scholars new awards to be taken up in the 2025-26 academic year."</p>	<p>Hello! You can see all our Canada awards here: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?country[]=4572&amp;field_award_multi_country=All&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All">https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?country[]=4572&amp;field_award_multi_country=All&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</a></p>
<p>I know that these are your guidelines for the letter of invitation (see below). Is there anything else we might need to know about what the strongest letters contain?:          "The letter should be addressed to you, and should include:           The activities for which you are being invited by the host (i.e., research at an institution, special lecturing needs, etc.);           The period for which you are invited          A description of the host's interest in your project and how it will benefit their institution.           Invitation letters should be in English. If the letter is not in English, you must include an English translation with</p>	<p>The guidance we provide make a great letter of invitation so make sure you follow these requirements, and you will be fine.</p>

<p>it in your application. The potential host (the person who provides the letter) cannot also be registered in your application as a recommender or foreign language evaluator.”</p>	
<p>Regarding letters of recommendation: For the letter from a colleague in your field, are there restrictions as to who can write these? For example is it ok if the recomender has co-authored work with the applicant? Thanks! Andrea</p>	<p>This would be okay. We encourage you to choose someone you have worked with and knows your work.</p>
<p>Thanks, Glorimar. I guess I was mistaken in thinking different awards required different materials.</p>	<p>The difference only comes in based on the activity. If you do research only, you need a reference list but not a syllabus. If teaching only, then you need a syllabus, no reference list. And if both, both are needed. If doing a professional project, then those are not needed, etc. But the link will show you that.</p>
<p>If it possible to hold (if awarded!) a NEH research grant (12 months) and a Fulbright US Scholar award (6 months) during the same academic year? The NEH grant would allow me to take a full-year sabbatical.</p>	<p>Yes, this is not an issue. But please note in your application that you hold this funding and spell out any other demands on your time that this funding requires.</p>
<p>This is the one I was curious about since Canada is one of the countries I want to do research in. "Fulbright Canada Research Chair Awards is open for awards to be taken up in the 2025-26 academic year. American scholars looking for a research opportunity in Canada can now apply. Applications will be accepted until September 16, 2024.</p> <p>Awards range from US \$25,000 to US \$50,000 and from four to nine months. These opportunities are open for a start date of September 2025 or January 2026."</p>	<p>Hello! We will need you to restate your question in full, since we cannot see your previous question.</p>
<p>How would you find out if it's preferred to do a research only vs. a research/teaching award?</p>	<p>Hello! If the award lists the activity, it is an equally competitive activity. You can then defer to what your host institution finds more useful.</p>
<p>Can you have two recommendation letters from outside your institution? Or do you need to have one from your institution?</p>	<p>Per the application guidelines, one letter should be from your institution/place of employment, the other should simply be from a colleague in your field. (Please ask again if I've misunderstood your question or you have some circumstances that make this impossible!)</p>
<p>How is the amount of time (I see only 3.5 or 4 months) as options for my host institution) determined? By the host?</p>	<p>Yes, the time of the award is determined by the hosting country.</p>
<p>Are shorter award lengths (e.g., 3 months) more or less competitive than longer award periods (e.g., 6 months)?</p>	<p>Hello! Due to FFSB policies, the competitiveness of the program is not something we can talk about.</p>
<p>Hi, I have been trying to get ahold of universities to ask for an invite, but that is so very difficult as many of their websites do not even have a contact email address. Some have a WhatsApp number but when I call it there</p>	<p>Please contact the U.S. Embassy in the country or the Fulbright Commission in the country if there is one.</p>

<p>is no response ... bearing in mind I take time different into account. How can I get info on universities that need a US scholar</p>	
<p>The award I'm going to apply for has the following information. I'm a Spanish professor and will use my Spanish. Is it desirable to still get a foreign language evaluator in addition to the self-evaluation? "Award requirement: None, English is sufficient. However, feasibility of conducting the project must be demonstrated in the project statement Self-Evaluation: Required: Applicant must complete self-evaluation for language(s) relevant to proposed project Foreign Language Evaluation: Optional: Applicant can register Foreign Language evaluator(s)"</p>	<p>Yes, I would get one in your situation to substantiate your level of language.</p>
<p>Can I apply as a retiree?</p>	<p>Yes, you can.</p>
<p>Is the Award Allowance counted towards the salary we receive from the home university?</p>	<p>Hello! This depends on your home institution. You can talk to your Scholar Liaison to see what precedents have been for salary top-ups: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/liaisons">https://fulbrightscholars.org/liaisons</a></p>
<p>If eligible, can I apply for the Global Scholar Award as well as the Fulbright Canada Research Chair Award? Or just one?</p>	<p>You can apply to one Fulbright US Scholar Program each year; so you won't be able to apply to both in the same cycle.</p>
<p>I'm a dual citizen, is there conflict if the country I am applying to, is also the other citizenship I hold?</p>	<p>This can depend on the country. Within the catalog page, you can check under "Award Requirements" to see if there are any limitations on dual citizenship <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search">https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search</a></p>
<p>Are awards typically funded with the idea they pay enough to live on? Or should we plan for additional home university support. The terms of the award I'm looking at seem less than I'd expect to be able to live, commute, and do research.</p>	<p>The award funding is typically created with the idea that it will be enough to live on in the host country/city. If you are concerned about this, we encourage you to contact alumni using the Scholar Directory to discuss how others have handled this in the past.</p>
<p>Could you clarify how references/citations will be counted towards the page limit for project statements for professional awards?</p>	<p>Reference list is a separate document from the project statement you will need to provide.</p>
<p>Can I apply for an award in a country that may not be listed for the 2025-2026 awards?</p>	<p>Hello! Only the awards listed on our website are eligible for application.</p>
<p>Are recommendation letters submitted directly by recommenders to US Scholars program or do I submit them through the application portal?</p>	<p>Hello! You submit all your application items through the application portal.</p>
<p>I was a Fulbright Specialist during May-June 2023, in a government agency. Do I qualify for a nine month Scholars fellowship for 25-26 for a research/teaching project with a university, in the same country as my Specialist service?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes, this presents no eligibility issue whatsoever.</p>
<p>The Fulbright-BRIN collaborative call Indonesia</p>	<p>This is a research award and therefore just follow the requirements for conducting research.</p>

<p>Hi! Thank you for doing this. I'm applying to the U.S Scholar program. I have a few questions. Reference page - what else do I need to upload to that page in addition to sources used in my project statement? Language - my language evaluator has already uploaded my language proficiency, what else do I need to do for language, besides answering the questions in the application? Thanks,</p>	<p>The Reference List demonstrates to the review committee that you are aware of the current state of research or work related to the discipline of your proposed project and that your project will contribute to existing work in the discipline. It should contain sources that situate your project in the current field and include any critical theory informing your project.</p> <p>No other steps are required for language proficiency.</p>
<p>Do you have to be an active faculty at an institution? can retired faculty apply too.</p>	<p>Retired faculty can apply! Emeriti faculty receive awards each year. Just be sure you describe the potential impact, outcome and benefits of you receiving this award. (All scholars must address this, but for retired faculty it's critical to do so)</p>
<p>For the research track, what is the most common way for Fulbright applicants to receive an invitation from a foreign institution?</p>	<p>Hello! We have tips for this here: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#LetterofInvitationmayberequired">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#LetterofInvitationmayberequired</a></p>
<p>Roughly how many applications do you get every year, and what is the success award rate?</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! It is the U.S. Department of State policy that we do not reveal the number of previous applicants, nor can we predict the number of applicants by the September 16, 2024 (5 PM ET) deadline.</p>
<p>Hello and thank you for putting together this webinar! I have been communicating with faculty at my desired host institution and they have shared a grant with me and said that I could be involved in it for the postdoc. However (because it is summer I assume) I am no longer receiving responses. In putting together the project statement, would it be best to highlight which parts of the grant that my skills and ability would line up with? I assume I would be working to help them complete data collection/analysis as that is the phase they will be in during my arrival, and then possibly dissemination. Or is it best to mention the grant in the statement (of course site in references), as it would be where the subjects/data/idea would be coming from, and then develop a project/direction of my own entirely? Also, I assume it is alright to share the statement with them and seek feedback? Thank you!</p>	<p>Hello! Yes, radio silence in August is common, so please pick back up with them in September. You do want to show us your own unique contribution to the project, not show that you are going "just" to join a preexisting project. You can certainly ask these collaborators to read your statement.</p>
<p>Thank you. To follow up on my question about host country approval, I am wondering if the country/embassy commission that reviews the application is composed of scholars and US embassy staff, or if it includes the country's government personnel I am in political science, and my question relates to research in Kazakhstan. Kathleen Collins U of Minnesota</p>	<p>It is composed of government personnel in that country's commission office. They will not necessarily have a background in the topic of your project.</p>
<p>If my proposed award program says they'll match me with a university, what do I put in the proposed Host Institution box since it's required?</p>	<p>Leave it blank and add a line confirming that the award indicates they will find a match for you.</p>

<p>Second question that seems quite obvious but just to double check: If the program I am applying for (in Finland) states this, I can just ignore the language evaluator stuff, correct?</p> <p>“Language Proficiency Requirements None, English is sufficient”</p>	<p>Hello! Correct. A language evaluator is not needed if there are no language requirements.</p>
<p>I already asked two outside colleagues that are experts in my field but I can cancel one and ask someone at my own institution. My understanding was that you needed at least one outside letter but that it could also be two.</p>	<p>Yes, you can "Exclude" the letter and add a new person. See how to do this in the long-form PDF of the Applicant Instructions: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/2024-07/U.S.%20Scholar%20Application%20Instructions.pdf">https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/2024-07/U.S.%20Scholar%20Application%20Instructions.pdf</a></p>
<p>Do we need the host institution to provide letter of invitation? Or sometime of cooperative communication?</p>	<p>This depends on the award. Please be sure to check the award requirement tab to see if a letter of invitation is required, preferred, optional, or should not be sought.</p>
<p>I am developing a project that will contribute to a global “citizen science” program housed in the US, but the research will take place in another country. I would like to secure a letter of support from the citizen science program. Is there a way to upload or include this sort of letter? (Not a letter of invitation from host country or letter of recommendation from a peer)</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! Unfortunately, it is not possible to add this component as the Fulbright U.S. Scholar application components are strict. You're welcome to consider them as a recommender, but I would not recommend having them craft a letter of invitation as this should come from an institution abroad. The focus of your application should be on what you're doing in-country.</p>
<p>Do you have opportunities to study seaweed processing? Or perhaps equine therapy?</p>	<p>Yes, we do have a new award in Iceland for equine therapy and I strongly encourage you to consider it.</p>
<p>If I am not attached to an NGO or institution currently, can I still apply for a teaching scholarship?</p>	<p>Yes, you may, but you will need to demonstrate appropriate experience in teaching to be eligible.</p>
<p>what % of applications are selected usually for scholarship? Thanks.</p>	<p>Unfortunately, we're not allowed to share application numbers or % awarded. You should simply select an award that's a good fit for you as a scholar and your project!</p>
<p>Yes, I was hoping to work with scientists at Parks Canada who do not necessarily have University affiliations. So if its not in the list, just enter it in the box?</p>	<p>You are able to type in the institution if it's not on the drop-down list.</p>
<p>If the country (Colombia) allows for summer Fulbrights, would the Fall 2025 application period allow for June-August 2025 or 2026?</p>	<p>Please check the award description on our website. It will let you know the range you may start your grant in, and the duration of it.</p>
<p>Should I cancel one outside letter writer and get a local one instead?</p>	<p>Hello! You need a letter from someone at your home institution to be eligible, so I do recommend doing this, yes.</p>
<p>Question: Please discuss “do”s and “don’t”s with respect to letters from preferred or potential host institutions. “Formal letters of invitation” are sometimes recommended or required according to Fulbright materials, sometimes neither required nor even encouraged. But does Fulbright accept and/or encourage other sorts of letters—something short of a “formal invitation” (e.g., expressing support in principle, encouragement to apply, basic acknowledgement, etc.)? Must such letters be from the contact listed by Fulbright or might letters from other faculty be</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! I recommend reviewing the letter of invitation section of our application steps to see the parameters for this application component: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a> . The application components are strict. Outside of the 3 letters of invitation, it is not possible to upload other documents/letters. Fundamentally, it depends on the award. Awards state who are possible hosts and, if there are requirements around who can write the letter of invitation, this will be stated in the award. Otherwise, we simply recommend your collaborator, but, if possible, I</p>



<p>appropriate and accepted? Also, I believe a “drop dead” deadline for letters of invitation is somewhat later than the application deadline of Sept. 16 (Sept. 26 I believe I have read). Does this later deadline pertain for other letters from the host institution?</p>	<p>recommend soliciting a letter of invitation from the department head. There aren't templates for letters of invitation, but I recommend considering have them put their letter on institutional letterhead. Letters of invitation can be uploaded to your portal until September 26, 2016 at 5 PM ET. This is 10 days after the deadline. Ideally, you should solicit just one letter of invitation per host institution.</p>
<p>Is it ok to request a recommendation letter for a Fulbright Scholars application from a colleague I met during a Fulbright Specialist project, for the same country.</p>	<p>Hello! Letters should be from those who know you and your work well and can address the points below, as listed under the “For Recommenders” section: One letter should be from a colleague or supervisor at your current place of employment. If your institution or employer recently changed, one of the letters should be from someone at your previous institution or employer. One letter should be from a colleague within your discipline. This can be someone outside of your current place of employment and can include colleagues with whom you have collaborated on research in the last several years in the U.S. or abroad.</p>
<p>@Aferdita —What would be considered extensive experience in the host country? For example, I taught a US global course there last year. I am applying to go to the same country to conduct a research project next year.</p>	<p>Extensive experience we consider 5 years within the last 6 years so if you taught there last year and maybe another year, that is not an issue.</p>
<p>OK. Does it usually correspond to the semester period - in case my host asks for more clarification?</p>	<p>I am sorry what is your question here?</p>
<p>One of my recommenders used the wrong last name for me several times in her recommendation letter for me. Is this likely to affect my chances at an award?</p>	<p>I suggest that you ask them to correct it as you still have time to do this.</p>
<p>For a required letter of invitation from the host institution for research, would this be coming from the collaborating host faculty or an institutional official?</p>	<p>The letter of invitation can come from either administration or collaborating host faculty, with indication of greater support from the department or university in general.</p>
<p>What aspects of the application are different for a Professional Project?</p>	<p>Hello! For this information, is best to see our application steps on our website because it gives detail information: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a></p>
<p>If you apply for a country that does not require invitation letter, who do I contact to confirm</p>	<p>Hello, when you ask, "to confirm", what do you mean? Please ask your question again and clarify.</p>
<p>If I've already established communication with the host institution can I mention that in my project statement, that I'll be working with this institution and this person, etc? Thanks</p>	<p>You should check your award! If a letter of invitation is "required", "preferred", or "optional", you should then ask that person to provide you with a letter of invitation to include in your application. If it says "A letter should not be sought" then you should read the award carefully to ensure it's ok for you to establish that connection ahead of time (this is rare, but it does apply to a few awards)</p>
<p>Could the summer months of June, July, and August be proposed for the Fulbright Scholar program?</p>	<p>Hello! They can for certain awards with the Flex option or sometimes in the main grant period. You will need to check each award individually to see the possible timeframe.</p>

<p>The Fulbright scholar award I am applying for does not allow for a flex option. Am I allowed to apply for Fulbright Scholar and Fulbright expert in the same year?</p>	<p>Hello! If you mean Fulbright Specialist, then yes. However, you cannot do both grants at the same time if received.</p>
<p>Should we try to do a self language evaluation if language evaluation is not necessary?</p>	<p>Hello! You are welcome to do so if you like, however is not required if the award states English is sufficient.</p>
<p>How likely are you to be chosen with a Professional project as opposed to being a PhD affiliated with a University?</p>	<p>Hello! Countries that say they are open to "Professional Projects" are open to them and should consider these proposals equally.</p>
<p>I am currently working in US as a postdoctoral scholar. Can i submit the application with the same professor as a host?</p>	<p>Hello! We are talking about opportunities to go abroad from the U.S. today, not those to come here. You should consider the Visiting Scholar Program, run by your country of citizenship: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/non-us-scholars">https://fulbrightscholars.org/non-us-scholars</a></p>
<p>I am applying for a teaching award and I have a letter of invitation from the University. However, I don't know whether to submit syllabi that are mine that I propose to teach, or whether to submit syllabi from the university. It seems, in talking to them, that they want me to plug into their curriculum and not bring unique courses with me. If that is the case, how do I create a competitive application? I am not able to be very creative because they will tell me what to do.</p>	<p>You should submit a sample of your syllabi that you teach here so that the reviewers can see your teaching skills/experience.</p>
<p>I am confused about Fulbright Canada vs Fulbright US Canada programs. The Fulbright Canada program <a href="https://www.fulbright.ca/programs/american-scholars">https://www.fulbright.ca/programs/american-scholars</a> said they have some awards for Americans. Am I correct that these are different calls for proposals?</p>	<p>Yes, this website is from the Fulbright Commission in Canada and their primary audience is Canadians. Please consult the Fulbright US Scholar website instead: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards</a></p>
<p>my host institution is in a different city than some of my research archive locations. is that acceptable?</p>	<p>Hello! This is possible but not preferable. Please focus your language as much as possible on how you will work with the host, and do not gesture to more than "a long weekend" outside of your host institution in your application.</p>
<p>Are invitation letters from instute administrator required or can email correspondance from host researcher suffice for application?</p>	<p>Hello! Here is what we need from that letter: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#LetterofInvitationmayberequired">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#LetterofInvitationmayberequired</a></p>
<p>Is it possible to submit 3 or more lettters of recommendation and is it a good idea? for example, one from my institution and 2 from outside</p>	<p>No, we will only accept two letters of recommendation.</p>
<p>Even though I have already submitted my application, they can still edit their recommendation letter?</p>	<p>Hello! Your recommenders can still submit their application, even with your application submitted. However, once submitted, they cannot edit their letters.</p>
<p>If the teaching I am proposing as part of a resarch/teaching award is not classroom/course teaching, but instead workshops and seminars, what type of material should I include in my "syllabi/course outlines"?</p>	<p>You should include the descriptions and schedules of your workshops/seminars.</p>
<p>Can you send me the recording please with the slides?</p>	<p>Hello! All registrants will be sent these materials after we are done.</p>
<p>Where are the Specialist awards listed in the cies.org website?</p>	<p>Hello! This is a separate program: <a href="https://fulbrightspecialist.worldlearning.org/">https://fulbrightspecialist.worldlearning.org/</a></p>

<p>Thank you, I did notice that there is no teaching/researching award in Indonesia, and the closest match I have is research which I have begun my application with. I do notice that the application asks whether it is teaching/research still. Does that work? Or do I need to be strictly in research if I choose research because of the award types?</p>	<p>Correct, if it is a research award you will be strictly conducting research and not teaching if you receive the grant.</p>
<p>Hi I submitted this question in advance but in case you didn't receive it. For the global award, can the host country change for year 2 based upon changes in the field or do we need to know for sure which country will be the host for both years from the beginning?</p>	<p>You are unable to change your host country in the middle of the grant.</p>
<p>For currently independent scholars without actual current places of employment, for professional self-employed artists, and for retired scholars, are there other options for letters of recommendation, e.g., former colleagues or current colleagues in unpaid work activities?</p>	<p>These are both acceptable, we encourage you to ask someone who knows your work and speak to your qualities as a professional.</p>
<p>Sorry to continue this thread but they seem to be advertising for Amercian Scholars and responded to my inquiry with this claim, "Dear Adina Merenlender, I hope you are doing well.</p> <p>Fulbright Canada is excited to announce that we are offering American Scholars new awards to be taken up in the 2025-26 academic year."</p>	<p>Hello! We will need you to restate your full question since it is hard for us to see the past questions given today's volume.</p>
<p>if I'm interested in (administrative) consultation and teaching, is this the correct award?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes, please search for awards in "teaching": <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?field_award_multi_country=All&amp;field_award_activity[8220]=8220&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All">https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?field_award_multi_country=All&amp;field_award_activity[8220]=8220&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</a></p>
<p>What are the high level differences between the "Scholar Award" (is this the "U.S. Scholar Award?") and the "Global Scholar Award?"</p> <p>Who is the best contact person to talk to about the Global Scholar Award?</p>	<p>The Global Scholar Award is a multi-regional award, where applicants apply to go to 2-3 different countries in 2-3 different world regions. Please consult our website here: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/global">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/global</a>. If you have other questions about the Global Award, please email <a href="mailto:GlobalAward@iie.org">GlobalAward@iie.org</a></p>
<p>Is it possible to apply for a Fulbright Specialist Award and also a US Scholar award?</p>	<p>Yes. You can apply for both at once, but you cannot carry out the activities of both at the same time.</p>
<p>Mathematics as a Discipline. However, I work in Statistics.</p>	<p>Hello! We are aware of this discordance for those in the field. Please rest assured that if you select Mathematics &gt; Statistics, you will be reviewed by fellow statisticians. We just have to organize you this way due to data requirements.</p>
<p>For the start and duration of the award - it is up to the host, but does it typically align with the semester start and end there? The award I'm applying to offers only two options - 3.5 months or 4 months, which don't seem significantly different to me</p>	<p>The start and duration of the award will be indicated in the award description on our website. This is for you to indicate on your application.</p>

<p>So if there is no award on teaching/researching I don't mark teaching/researching on the application, correct?</p>	<p>When you start your application and select the award, the online application will automatically select the activities that are within the award you selected. I hope this helps.</p>
<p>Thanks Julia, Then would it makes sense to add a letter of invitation from an archive in the other location - not near my host institution?</p>	<p>This would only be if you spend 50% of your time there and you are informing both hosts of a split time commitment. But that is a solution to your "problem!"</p>
<p>I don't see the minimum percentage of "teaching" I must specify to apply for a Teaching/Research award (Germany all disciplines). My host asked me to give a talk and mentor students.</p>	<p>Hello! Successful ratios tend to be 50:50, 60:40, 70:30 in favor of teaching. These only typically mean teaching one course per semester and partaking in other activities like advising students.</p>
<p>Question: The application system as discussed asks us to declare the discipline and the specialty corresponding to that desired by the proposed host, doing so using lists the system provides. What if the "specialization" list does not include the "specialty" that the preferred host institution has declared as its target/desired emphases for the award?</p>	<p>Hello! We need to check on this. Can you please email the person on the lefthand side of the award that most interests you? We can help you address this discrepancy.</p>
<p>Can you speak a little more about the Fulbright-Schuman Innovation award. It sounds like there is only one award per year?</p>	<p>Hello! There is one per year. You can email me, Julia, at EuropeEurasia@iie.org with any specific questions on this award.</p>
<p>do segments have to be completed within one year, or can they be spread over multiple years?</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! This depends on the award itself. Usually, all flex segments need to be completed within a two-year timespan. Look closely at the award parameters to see what is possible with Flex requirements.</p>
<p>If I had a Fulbright Specialist in May 2024- can I qualify for Fulbright Scholar in 2025 or 2026.</p>	<p>Hello! Yes, you do. The 2-year wait does not apply with Specialist awards.</p>
<p>if the letter of invitation is optional, how do I go about applying then? Just submit the application and state the name of the institution I'm hoping to go to?</p>	<p>Yes, if you choose not to seek a letter of invitation. It is still a good idea to establish a contact within the institution/department you hope to go to.</p>
<p>Of course, these are competitive applications. Can you speak to the acceptance rates and how to improve your chances of standing out? Thank you.</p>	<p>Hello! Unfortunately, due to FFBSB policy we cannot speak about the competitiveness / acceptance rates of the application.</p>
<p>'@rose - I see two options, January or February 2026. I'm not sure which to choose, or should I simply ask my host which they prefer?</p>	<p>This is up to you, and which works best for you. You can ask your host if they have a preference, but this will not impact the review of your application UNLESS you indicate a date outside of this period.</p>
<p>A letter of invitation from the host institution: do they submit the letter directly, or provide the letter for me to submit?</p>	<p>They will email you the letter and you will then upload it to your application.</p>
<p>If I understand well, we can see the application by creating an account ( I could not get that part) logginh into (did not get this part). If I am understanding Catherine is there and walking us through each step of the application. May I ask to repeat the first part about the link where we complete the application? What is that link?</p>	<p>Start here: <a href="https://apply.iie.org/fusc2025">https://apply.iie.org/fusc2025</a></p>
<p>APA references are not valid without doi links. Are links banned from reference lists?</p>	<p>If you need to include a link address, you should remove the hyperlink and know that reviewers are instructed *not* to go to external sites when reviewing an application.</p>

Got it! Thank you!	
Does the prohibition on links include not including the DOIs for articles (our own and for our other references)?	Thank you for your inquiry! You can insert the URL, but it must not be hyperlinked. Reviewers cannot view anything outside of the application. I recommend avoiding inputting links when possible.
Portfolio material: How does one upload a documentary film? What is the maximum file size? Thx.	Hello! This information is on our website, under portfolio: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a>
My project would be in discipline-based geology education—research carried out among geologists with education research training. I would be based in an academic geology department, not an education department. So I am thinking it would be better to choose Geology and describe the specialization as Discipline-Based Geo Ed rather than choose Education with the University Science Teaching specialization?	The way I think you should consider this is "Who will best review my project?" Consider whether Geologists or Educators will understand you better, because the discipline corresponds to your Peer Review committee.
I want to know that if I apply to a Canada Fulbright program "Fulbright Canada Research Chair Awards is open for awards to be taken up in the 2025-26 academic year. American scholars looking for a research opportunity in Canada can now apply. Applications will be accepted until September 16, 2024." does that mean I would not be eligible to also apply for the US Fulbright Global Scholars program?	Hello! Ah, you cannot apply to Global Scholar and a single-country award to Canada. You need to choose just one for this year/cycle. We recommend single-country work where possible because Global is our most competitive award.
Are (new) retirees allowed to apply for a Fulbright Teaching Award for a short term (3-5 months) in the field of international relations, political science/comparative politics, environmental justice, or women's studies?	Yes, if the award exists. Retirees are eligible for Fulbright Scholar awards as long as they meet all other eligibility requirements.
How many people apply to the distinguished scholar program in Israel and how many get in?	Hello! Due to FFSB policy, we cannot provide numbers on application competitiveness.
Are human surveys subject to ethical review?	They can depending on the survey and the political/social climate of the country. I would suggest reading the ethical review portion thoroughly.
Does the abstract have a word limit of 200/250 words?	700 words limit for abstract
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If and once awarded the Fulbright US Scholar, will there be any support from Fulbright to obtain visa for the awardee and their dependents?	Hello! This will be something that the commission and embassy will help you with.
Have you seen one award that involves two universities? For example a community college and University creating a combined award? I may be working with two Universities/colleges on a project/teaching (next cycle).	Thank you for your inquiry! We occasionally have a partner award at two institutions. For most of our awards, it is possible to have more than one host (please read the award parameters to determine if this possible); however, as feasibility and impact are two important parts of the review criteria, your application may not seem feasible or impactful if you are between two institutions. However, if you feel that your project is both feasible and impactful with two institutions, then you may do so. Note that if a letter of invitation is required, preferred, or optional depending on the award and you solicit letters of invitation, you would need to do so from both hosts and they would have to recognize the other as hosts.



<p>Is there anyone who can review my application? An alum or maybe someone on campus?</p>	<p>You are welcome to have your application reviewed by an alum or someone on your campus. We do not have a program for this, but you can also check if your institution has a Scholar liaison who may have some insight for you. <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/liaisons">https://fulbrightscholars.org/liaisons</a></p>
<p>I was told by a Fulbright liasion that to my letter of invitation, I can attach additional letters of invitation to give guest lectures to organizations outside the host institution. Is this correct?</p>	<p>Hello! No, please do not do this. You should mention the guest lectures in your Project Statement or in your "Country Choice" Short Essay, and those details look really good. They just don't belong in the Letter of Invitation proper since this does not constitute a "letter of support."</p>
<p>If I have a 10% teaching/90% research allocation, should my project title refer to both teaching and research activities? How do I avoid a long, unwieldy title? Thank you.</p>	<p>Yes, but I suggest that you do at least 30% of research as well because then it is not a competitive application if you do just some research.</p>
<p>I need one letter from someone at my institution. If there is a teaching component the instructions say the letter should be from someone familiar with my teaching record. However, my proposed project is mainly research with a secondary teaching component. My off-campus referee can speak to my research. On campus, there is a faculty member who is familiar with my international activity and also a Fulbright alum herself. I think she could provide a strong letter, but is not familiar with my teaching record. What is the best approach in this situation?</p>	<p>We recommend that this recommender be from someone who can speak to your teaching record. This is not a requirement, but it would make a stronger recommendation.</p>
<p>If I am technically eligible for both Distinguished Scholar award and a regular Scholar award (I am mid-career), what would be the reasons to apply for one vs. the other? Is the former more competitive? Do more senior people with their own labs tend to get the Distiinguished Awards?</p>	<p>We always recommend going for Distinguished if you have the number of years required (usually 7+) because people self-select out and therefore you can get yourself into a smaller possible applicant pool.</p>
<p>As far as I can tell from the site, the Global Scholar award does not require a language evaluation. Is that correct?</p>	<p>Yes, that's correct. There's no language requirement for Global.</p>
<p>Language requirements: None, English is sufficient. However, feasibility of conducting the project must be demonstrated in the project statement. How should this be addressed?</p>	<p>Hello! This is something that can be addressed on your project statement by showing how your project will need or not need another language besides English.</p>
<p>What if you do not know their phone numbert?</p>	<p>Hello! Please restate this question in full. We will not be able to see your past questions due to today's volume.</p>
<p>Thank you for the response. The award states that invitation letter is required. Should I just get the invitation letter and that will suffice and there will be no need to mention the host institution/or person I will be working with in the project statement?</p>	<p>If your award states it's required, then yes, you should obtain an invitation from your hosts to provide in your application. You're welcome to reference in your project statement that these are your plans!</p>
<p>Does that also provide the recommender details on what they should include? Or are those prompts our responsibility to communicate?</p>	<p>Yes, we have guidance for recommenders here: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/2024-04/FUSC-Recommender-Instructions.pdf">https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/2024-04/FUSC-Recommender-Instructions.pdf</a></p>

<p>How do we select an evaluator for language?</p>	<p>If you are at a higher education institution or know a teacher of that language, or a native speaker, they would be appropriate.</p>
<p>I participated in the Fulbright student program 2019-2020, but the application form rejects my application credentials (it says my email is not in the system). Should I just make a new account?</p>	<p>Hello! You will need to since you applied before 2020, when we had different application software.</p>
<p>No need for language evaluator is one states to be a native speaker, correct? Thank you</p>	<p>Check the award! Most awards ask native speakers to simply complete a self-evaluation - that you do yourself as part of your application form</p>
<p>For a language evaluation, is there a particular requirement/exam—or is just based on what the recommender knows about your language ability?</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! There is not a particular requirement or exam -- simply, external language evaluators have to answer the questions in the instructions:  <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/2024-04/FUSC-Language-Evaluator-Instructions.pdf">https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/2024-04/FUSC-Language-Evaluator-Instructions.pdf</a> We recommend applicants follow the ACTFL standards:  <a href="https://www.actfl.org/">https://www.actfl.org/</a></p>
<p>So, Could I apply to the CANADA fulbright program <a href="https://www.fulbright.ca/programs/american-scholars">https://www.fulbright.ca/programs/american-scholars</a> to do the research I want to do in Canada and then apply to the US Fulbright single country to do the research I want to do in Australia?</p>	<p>If you mean to apply for the same cycle, as long as both programs are not administered by IIE, you can apply to them concurrently.</p>
<p>What should I expect for the language evaluation? Is there a standard exam, or is each evaluation up to the individual evaluator? Is a local language instructor at my institution an appropriate evaluator for Fulbright?</p>	<p>Please find guidance here for language evaluation:  <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a></p>
<p>For some governmental grants, one has to be quite careful about language (for example, if one studies “sex”, titles get changed after the fact to a less provocative “gender”, even if that is inaccurate because Congress approves the funding). Do we also need to be careful about specific vocabulary in titles and abstracts for this application?</p>	<p>This is something you may want to be aware of and sensitive to for the in-country review process. If this is something you are concerned about, I recommend that you attend an office hour for the region/country you are applying to. <a href="https://apply.iie.org/portal/office_hours">https://apply.iie.org/portal/office_hours</a></p>
<p>What if you do not know the recommender’s phone number?</p>	<p>Hello! We do require that number, so please reach out to them and ask for their phone number.</p>
<p>Has the website or application platform changed since last year? I encounter several issues uploading files and having the recommenders uploading their letters on my behalf.</p>	<p>The system didn’t change, but if you're having difficulty, you or your recommenders are welcome to contact us. We have emails listed on all awards of staff to help!</p>
<p>Can someone please discuss the being on the Fulbright list? One of my colleagues informed me that after the application, applicants may be notified whether they have made a list. Is this accurate?</p>	<p>Hello! I feel like this is about the Fulbright Specialist Program. We do not administer that program, so please contact World Learning if it is about the Specialist Program.</p>
<p>Question: Please address presentation of the six-page (maximum) CV/resume—particularly how best to effectively reduce in length. A “curriculum vitae” normally includes fairly exhaustive listing of career undertakings and accomplishments. Yet something diverging too far from a CV (e.g., the typical “resume”) might, it seems, tend to be ill-received by (look</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! As the reviewers understand that most CV/Resumes are shortened to the page limit, it is up to the applicant to decide the format of the CV/Resume. You can see the parameters in the CV/Resume section of the application steps page:  <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a></p>

<p>unfamiliar to) an academic/scholarly reviewer within Fulbright or (especially) within potential host institutions. Can you recommend best ways to shorten a CV effectively—retaining most of the familiar key sections while shortening considerably. For instance, is (frequent) use of the word “selected” in CV section headings OK (e.g., “Selected Publications,” “Selected Awards”) okay?</p>	
<p>who counts as a language evaluator?</p>	<p>People who teach or translate languages professionally can evaluate. More information here: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#LanguageProficiencymaybequired">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#LanguageProficiencymaybequired</a></p>
<p>Are there consultants or sevicees who can be hired to help a person with his/her application?</p>	<p>We can provide guidance but no consultation to help you write your application.</p>
<p>Will we receive notification from Fulbright that they have received our letters of recommendation?</p>	<p>Hello! No. You can log into your account and check it that way, though.</p>
<p>Hello! Are applications for the Advanced International Studies at the Nobel Institute award reviewed by memers of the Nobel Committee or Nobel Institute staff? Given that this award has a specific call for proposals, would you recommend I email someone at the Nobel Institute about my project ideas to ask if they believe it would be competative?</p>	<p>Hello! You can email anyone listed on the award. When the host is named in the title, though, they participate in the selection process at the end.</p>
<p>The description of the award I am applying to says no need for language evaluation or for a letter of recommendation. But When I started filling the application online, I saw that language evaluation and a letter of recommendation are mandatory.</p>	<p>Letters of recommendation are required for all awards. Please check the awards requirements tab to make sure the language evaluation is not mandatory, but if you continue to run into this issue, please reach out to the contact on the left side of the award description for assistance.</p>
<p>Could you clarify that response, Aferdita? My host suggested something closer to 90% research and minimal teaching (10%). Is that an acceptable allocation?</p>	<p>In that case you want to specify that the host indicated that. Indicate it on their letter of invitation.</p>
<p>For people writing letters of recommendation on my behalf, is there a page where I can point them for guidance on what to include in their letter?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/2024-04/FUSC-Recommender-Instructions.pdf">https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/2024-04/FUSC-Recommender-Instructions.pdf</a></p>
<p>what if you want to stay longer than 6 months</p>	<p>Hello! You will need to make sure this conforms with what is written on the award. If you want to go longer, please consider another award.</p>
<p>If it is the case I will switch my to teaching rather than research, will I lose some of my data? Should I start a new application instead and not submit the other one?</p>	<p>Hello! You should not lose your data this way, but I would copy/paste anything you are worried about into Word (for example) to back it up.</p>
<p>How soon the system will send the recommendation request email to my references after I submit their information? I’d like to follow up with them to ensure the request doesn’t end up in their spam folder.</p>	<p>Hello! The system sends the notice immediately.</p>
<p>I am daunted by the suggested (required?) length of the proposal, e.g., 4-5 pages because my project of teaching English as a Foreign Language is pretty straightforward. So is it fine if the proposal is shorter?</p>	<p>The project statement should be at a minimum 3 pages.</p>

how do I find / identify the correct award?	You can search our awards and use the left side filters to find your best match. You can also just look up the country that interest you.
For a teaching/research award should the title of the project address both teaching and research?	This is as you wish. But the Project Statement should certainly address both.
Thanks and Sorry but what does IEE stand for?	It stands for "Institute of International Education."
Should the project statement include my experience as well as my plans in the host country? In other words, is this supposed to be like a cover letter combined with a project proposal?	Yes, it works as combination of a personal statement and a grant prospectus, so this would be appropriate.
Can you provide the link to the application timeline that explains when applications will be evaluated and when applicants are notified? Also, is there an interview process as part of this application process?	The interview depends on the award, please check the award requirements tab. The timeline can be accessed at <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#timeline">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#timeline</a>
I am a Scholar Liaison---is it possible to get a transcript of the questions and responses so that I can use it as a quick reference guides for my colleagues who are applying? Thank you :)	The transcript and Q&A will be included in the recording of the webinar.
I applied last year for a fulbright. Is this year's application the same or are there new sections?	Hello! The sections are the same, and you can reuse material. We have instructions for how to do this in the long-form PDF <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/2024-07/U.S.%20Scholar%20Application%20Instructions.pdf">https://fulbrightscholars.org/sites/default/files/2024-07/U.S.%20Scholar%20Application%20Instructions.pdf</a>
Can you search for institution type, such as people who are at community colleges as being ulum?	You can use the key word search to search 'community college'.
So does that mean my project title can reference only the research work and not the teaching? Would this be the same for the abstract - only about the research project because the teaching assignment might be variable given that it is 1 year away and the institution may not be able to specify just yet?	This is entirely up to you; I have seen it done both ways. However, you should presume that what you propose for teaching is binding, so please choose time frames conservatively.
How do we choose a category (eg. art, medicine) if what we are proposing is in nature a cross-disciplinary approach?	You can pick the option that you think works best. For peer review, the applications are sorted manually so we will assign the application to the best committee for the project.
Is there a reason this diversity is not represented here? I'm asking because this is an outreach webinar, and visibility may be important in reaching and bringing in many many people.	We apologize if this is not accommodating you. Please email us and we will share a recording with you. <a href="mailto:Scholars@iie.org">Scholars@iie.org</a>
Is the teaching plan that needs to be specified on the application in the project statement? And I'm still uncertain as to how specifically you should address teaching for a teaching/research award. Is it sufficient to just say you'll be teaching and discuss possible courses, or do you need to be more specific?	More specificity is always better, because it proves that you spoke to the host in detail.
For the Morocco award, I must provide a one-page summary of the project statement in French or Arabic. I've been told that I may upload that summary to the invitation letter field. Would you please confirm?	Thank you for your inquiry! The awards states, "For teaching and or teaching/research applicants: Arabic or French proficiency may be required as needed for corresponding grant activities. Project proposals must include a detailed plan of grant activity. A one-page summary of proposed activities in Arabic or French is also

	required, which can be uploaded/appended to the invitation letter section." Yes, indeed please upload this form with the letter of invitation section.
How long should be the invitation letter?	We recommend no more than 2 pages.
The Middle East is in an ongoing state of turmoil. What are the preferred countries Fulbright is willing to send scholars to?	There are no preferred countries, if there is an award listed for this country, then the country is open for Fulbright Scholars. If you are concerned about a particular country, I recommend that you reach out to <a href="mailto:middleeastnorthafrica@iie.org">middleeastnorthafrica@iie.org</a> and monitor the State Department's list of travel advisories.
This may have been asked - I would like to apply for Fulbright for the period Fall 2026 - when do I apply (is it Fall of 2025?)	Hello! We will recruit for Fall 2026 starting in February 2025, and the deadline will be in September 2025.
If the award description lists Research but does not list Teaching, can I still teach, if the host institution is interested in having me teach? If so, should I mention it in the application or not? Can I be paid for teaching separately by the host institution?	Hello! You will need to conform to the award parameters to be competitive. However, you can certainly do workshops or talks as part of a Research-only grant, and this even shows how you will go beyond "the library of the lab" to really collaborate with your host. So, it's good to include those less programmatic didactic activities.
Thanks, Keegan. That page also says the summary can be an addendum to the project statement document. Hence my question.	Thank you for your inquiry! As it is not possible to add an addendum to the project statement itself (the page limit is strict), the only place to upload this document (addendum) is in the letter of invitation section. I hope that clarifies this!
My understanding is that university faculty members typically do this activity during their sabbatical or summer. Are there other types of arrangement between the scholars and their home institution, such as faculty members' personal leave? Should this arrangement be made prior to the application?	Hello! This is actually something that we encourage you to speak about with your liaison!
If you apply early in the cycle do you get an earlier award response - or are all of the award announcements the same time?	Alas, no. The January-June decision window applies to everyone, as we do not select on a rolling basis.
Can images/figures be included in the project proposal for research?	Yes, you may do so. However, be conscious of how much real estate you dedicate to these artifacts in the 3-5 pages.
Can the liaison provide a letter of recommendation?	They can, but we strongly recommend that they are someone who knows you and can speak to your professional work.
Is there a way to see an example of a funded proposal?	Yes, we have excerpts of previous project statements on our website.
I'm an artist- What if you are not associated with a college? What liaison would be possible to reach out to?	Hello! There won't be a liaison for you, but you should feel free to reach out to whichever one of us is listed on the left-hand side of the award to which you are applying; we are here to help.
I'm sorry, I missed the answer to the question about the best time external letter of rec. I plan to ask a Fulbright awardee who is in my field. Is that ok?	We recommend that you ask someone who knows you and your professional work. They can be a Fulbright alum.
For advice and support, applicants can also reach out to the Fulbright Association Chapter in their area.	Great advice Elio!



<p>If I want to do research in Australia and Canada are there other programs besides global  <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/global">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards/global</a>  that I should look at since global is so competitive?</p>	<p>Yes, absolutely. Here are those awards:  <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?country[]=4485&amp;field_award_multi_country=All&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All">https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?country[]=4485&amp;field_award_multi_country=All&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</a></p>
<p>im a naturalized US citizen, would an application to my country of birth be considered favourably?</p>	<p>This depends on the country, but it would not hurt your application. We have had many alums who are naturalized citizens who returned to their birth country.</p>
<p>im a naturalized US citizen, would an application to my country of birth be considered favourably?</p>	<p>If you have maintained dual citizenship, please be sure to check the award requirements to make sure that you are still eligible, as some countries will not consider those who are citizens of that country.</p>
<p>we had a previous liason at our campus, but she has left the campus and works elsewhere and was unable to review.   How does one look into building this resource for faculty (can I do this at a later time as a resource) - note that there are student resources but none for faculty/scholars.</p>	<p>Please email me Outreach@iie.org and I will be happy to discuss this further.</p>
<p>Should the invitation letter come from a potential collaborator/faculty member, or does it need to be from a department chair or someone with decision-making authority?</p>	<p>It needs to be from someone who is able to invite people to their unit, but the letter can be co-signed by the immediate collaborator.</p>
<p>I am spending three months in my anticipated Fulbright location as a pilot research adventure (my own funding).  Would that help my application this next year?</p>	<p>Not necessarily, as it is important to the Fulbright committees that you demonstrate why you will need a Fulbright to complete this project. A strong application will emphasize this point.</p>
<p>If you are awarded a fulbright, can you defer your project for any length of time?   Are you allowed to apply multiple times?   Do you get feedback on unsuccessful applications?</p>	<p>Hello! We cannot defer your selection, but if you get it once, you are very likely to get it again. You can apply in multiple years, but you can only apply to one award per year/cycle. We cannot give direct feedback, but we can share "trends of the year" and help you strategize on which award you choose.</p>
<p>Can you talk a little bit about the syllabus that we are required to submit for teaching? What if I'm offering a new course and have never taught before? Also, the syllabus will be created in collaobration with colleagues in the host institution before the semester begins.</p>	<p>That's great - if you are developing a new course, please specify this on your application. This shows you are a great cultural ambassador and will make your application competitive as you want to accommodate to their needs.</p>
<p>Can you speak a little bit about the additional essays. Such as country, etc.</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! We recommend explicitly addressing the questions listed in the Short Essays section of the application components page (<a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a>)</p>
<p>If we have tech problems with the application as we're completing and submitting it, where should we go for (almost) immediate (live) answers?</p>	<p>The best course of action for technical issues is to email <a href="mailto:fulbrightapplications@iie.org">fulbrightapplications@iie.org</a></p>
<p>If you apply for a country that does not require invitation letter, who do I contact to confirm that the institution desire my expertise</p>	<p>Hello! You can just contact that institution directly! The Letter is just formalizing a conversation that you should have anyway.</p>
<p>Can we add additional recommenders for a Fulbright?</p>	<p>Hello! You can only add 2 recommenders.</p>

<p>Can you explain further the invitation letter process - is this something you work on together with the host country? Will they only give the invitation letter to one faculty?</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! The onus is on the applicant to solicit a letter of invitation. We recommend looking at the award parameters to determine who can be a host institution, and then reaching out to relevant contacts (in the award or elsewhere). It is possible that host institutions have issued more than one letter of invitation. These letters are by no means a guarantee that you will be selected -- simply, they indicate the hosts interest in having you at their institution.</p>
<p>How does fulbright define a "professional project?" I was planning to apply for the public policy program, which is discontinued this year, so trying to figure out what scholar awards make the most sense for me. I would be looking for a policy-related project (not research or teaching). Does policy fall under professional projects?</p>	<p>Hello! 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 submit a joint application for a combined/teaching research award? This would be for a co-authored book.</p>	<p>Hello! Alas, no, you must each apply individually and not "plagiarize" between applications. So, consider where you apply strategically, to see if you can both go that year.</p>
<p>Question: We are recommended in the application to list alternative institutions to which we might be assigned if the preferred host is unwilling or unable. Can/should an applicant reach out to more than one institution? Seek more than one letter of invitation/expression of support?</p>	<p>You may reach out to multiple institutions you are interested, but we recommend only including one letter of invitation.</p>
<p>What would be most helpful is what makes for strong Fulbright application (e.g., why need a Fulbright to complete this project)</p>	<p>Applications are reviewed holistically: so please follow the guidance on our website for every component and you will be able to put together a competitive application.</p>
<p>Is the deadline really 9/16? Can I ask for an extension if I don't get my letter of invitation in time?</p>	<p>The deadline is firm on September 16.</p>
<p>Can a cancer survivor , in good health condition, apply for Fulbright scholarship?</p>	<p>Yes.</p>
<p>A teaching award speaks of a 6-month lenght. But it seems the host institution semester goes from september to january. Is this a problem? Thank you.</p>	<p>This should not be an issue, but if you are concerned you can reach out to the adviser listed on the left side of the award page.</p>
<p>I suspect I will need to delay my application until next year. When does the process open next year?</p>	<p>February of 2025.</p>
<p>Can you discuss terminal degrees? If I don't have a terminal degree in my field, am I prevented from applying?</p>	<p>Check your award! There are some awards that require a PhD/terminal degree, but many don't! If that credential isnt required, then check the award requirements tab to ensure you meet the other requirements for that specific award.</p>
<p>can the host institution be a different disipline from mine?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes, but please address the discrepancy explicitly in your application.</p>

<p>is there a similar grace period for letters of recommendation, i.e., Sept 26th deadline? or do they submit them separately? sorry i missed this part!</p>	<p>Hello! Letters of recommendation are due by September 16, 5PM EST.</p>
<p>What factors should I consider when choosing the program start date and duration (outside of climate concerns)? Are these dates final or flexible?</p>	<p>These dates tend to be final, and you should consider your own personal and professional life and what will be the easiest for you to complete and make your project feasible.</p>
<p>Why is choosing a discipline tricky? Aren't we responding to specific available awards?</p>	<p>Some people's work is interdisciplinary so identifying a single discipline isn't always obvious</p>
<p>'@Aferdita Krasniqui, thank you for your answer, but then what should be included in the syllabus that I need to submit if I'm creating a new course?</p>	<p>Hello! You should include whatever you expect to see on a syllabus in your discipline, because your peers will have similar expectations.</p>
<p>Reading more carefully, the form states: "The award length is the total time (duration) you propose to spend in the host country or countries for the award. If you are proposing Flex (if the award offers it), this is the total time (duration) of all segments and does not include time between segments." QUESTION &gt; Does the letter of invitation needs to match this length as well? Or the letter can state that the semester is, in reality, 5 months? I hope I am conveying this clearly. Thank you.</p>	<p>The letter of invitation should make clear that the host institution is aware that you plan to complete the award in flex segments.</p>
<p>I am not seeing a 60-40 or any sort of split indicated on the award details. If that's the case, what box should I check on the application?</p>	<p>Thank you for your inquiry! If the award does not state an explicit split, it is up to the applicant and the host institution to decide on this ratio. We recommend thinking about this in terms of how much teaching: research you will do during a 40-hour work week.</p>
<p>Does Fulbright pause federal student loan payments? I heard a rumor about this.</p>	<p>That is true if you apply for the Fulbright U.S. Student Program</p>
<p>Do we indicate a particular award in the application?</p>	<p>Yes, you must select an award in order to proceed with your application.</p>
<p>My specialty is sustainability, climate change, energy and water conservation. I did not see any topic related to this.</p>	<p>Hello! There are MANY awards in your field that would be very interested in you. Here is a search:  <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?field_award_multi_country=All&amp;discipline[]=8071&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All">https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?field_award_multi_country=All&amp;discipline[]=8071&amp;field_award_degree_reqs=All&amp;field_invitation_req=All&amp;field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</a></p>
<p>if my teaching contribution does not include teaching a course (they want me to give a series of lectures and workshops, mentor students, and work with faculty on programming), should I still submit a syllabus to show my teaching background? or make a "syllabus" as an outline for my teaching contributions?</p>	<p>Any applicant who does teaching or teaching/research must upload a syllabi/course outline. Look at the application steps page to see those parameters:  <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</a> . I certainly encourage you to use a past syllabi/outline or create a new one to highlight your teaching philosophy.</p>
<p>Who are typical applicant reviewers? Ex: previous scholars, etc. Is this through an academic lens only, or are non-academic professionals also included?</p>	<p>Peers within your field.</p>
<p>It's just an accountability question. DEI was one of the first slides shown, but perhaps it should not be shown because DEI is not simply a box to check off.</p> <p>Thank you for taking the time (or not) to address it.</p>	<p>Hello! Please rest assured that we view this comprehensively, and not as a checkbox.</p>

<p>can you paste the review process video link here? I can't find it on the fly.</p>	<p>Hello! It is a webpage: <a href="https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#review-process">https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#review-process</a></p>
<p>I assume that before starting the application, it would be better to have the letters of recommendation/invitation and information to upload? Is there a way to see the application before creating the account?</p>	<p>This is not necessarily true, and you can start the application when you are ready. You will not upload the recommendation; a link will be sent to your recommenders. There is not a way to see it without creating an account.</p>
<p>Two technical things I wanted to clarify because I ran into some problem filling out the form. I was promoted this year from assistant to associate so when it says list when you started this current position? Do I list Aug 2019 when I started as assistant or Aug 2024 when I start associate? Second it requires me to fill out the city of birth which was not in US and not present in dropdown menu but it does not accept the typed answer</p>	<p>Please send your inquiry to <a href="mailto:Scholars@iie.org">Scholars@iie.org</a> and we can help.</p>
<p>Sorry that I missed this. The invitation letters are not submitted directly (as it has been before) but the applicants do, right?</p>	<p>Correct!</p>
<p>It looks like there is a typo on website— letter is due Sept. 26, yes?</p>	<p>This is correct!</p>