

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Opportunities in Europe and Eurasia 2027-2028

Webinar Q&A Box Questions and Answers

These questions have been anonymized. Any question too specific to any one applicant has been removed.

Question	Answer
As an American postdoc currently working in the UK, would I be eligible for a Fulbright award in Europe?	Thank you for your question! Applicants who have resided abroad for five or more years in the six-year period preceding the application deadline are ineligible. A period of nine months or more during a calendar year constitutes a full year. If you have not passed the five years with six years abroad, you are eligible. However, you will need to have a very competitive application. And please check the award details for requirements as well.
Are there any age restrictions for participants?	Thank you for your question! There are no age restrictions.
I'm a Fulbright Specialist Alumni. If you can look me up, when am I eligible?	Thank you for your question! The two year wait period does not apply to people in the Specialist program. As long as both grants are not being undertaken at the same time, you can apply without waiting.
Would it be possible to provide us with the recording of the webinar by email?	Thank you for your question! This recording will be in our webinar archive by tomorrow end of day: https://fulbrightscholars.org/events/webinars#layout-multitab-tab-2
How many people apply. There are 210 awards total. Are there 10,000 applications? 20,000?	Thank you for the clarification! Due to FFSB policy, we do not provide those numbers.
Is it too late to apply for a specialist program this summer (assuming a host has been identified)?	Thank you for your question! The Specialist Program is different program. We recommend you contact World Learning with that question, since we do not administer the program.
Who is the current contact for Romanian and Czech Republic?	Thank you for your question! You can email europ Eurasia@iie.org and they will get back to you.
For research awards, is it possible to split the tenure between two locations?	Thank you for your question! This is possible, depending on the award (every award is different). You should discuss it with your hosts when sharing your project with them.
So, if I jump from the Specialist program to one you manage, still too late for the summer? I have a host.	Thank you for your question! Right now, our competition is only open for 2027-2028 year. We do not have awards for summer of 2026.
Retirees ok for scholars?	Thank you for your question! The Fulbright Scholar Program welcomes scholars and professionals at all stages of their careers. Retired and emeriti faculty

	receive awards each year! Be sure to check the description's award requirements section for additional qualifications necessary to apply.
Are there awards in Serbia?	Thank you for your question! Yes, you can find them here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?country[]=4537&field_award_multi_country=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
Do you have any Awards for Germany?	Thank you for your question! Yes, you can find them here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?country[]=4517&field_award_multi_country=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
The website lists an opportunity in Greece, but you didn't mention it. Was it excluded on purpose?	Thank you for your question! As mentioned at the beginning of the webinar, only some awards will be highlighted but the complete list is on our website. Not all awards will be mentioned in this webinar.
What are the best awards? Specifically for photography	Thank you for your question! Every award is different and depends on what you and the host are looking for. You can find the awards that are accepting arts projects in Europe here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?field_award_multi_country=All&discipline[]=8054&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
I see that for Austria, there are many awards that specify a particular institution. Is there a disadvantage to apply for a placement at one not listed?	Thank you for your question! If the award has a specific institution, then that is the only option for that award. A lot to most of Austria awards are partnership based, at those institutions.
It seems there are many all-discipline awards. Is there any information available on which are the most competitive?	Thank you for your question! We do not provide percentage numbers on competitiveness due to FFSB policy, however, you're welcome to our Global Hidden Gems webinar, where we talk about hidden gems in awards.
Is there data available on success rates across awards or regions?	Thank you for your question! Due to FFSB policy, we do not provide these numbers.
I plan to apply for the 2027-28 cycle for the Distinguished Scholar Award in Croatia. Do I need an invitation letter from the host institution? Thanks. Ashe	Thank you for your question! We encourage you to read the award details and award requirements of the award. Currently, there is no Distinguished Scholar Award in Croatia, but the All Disciplines award has that a letter of invitation is preferred: https://fulbrightscholars.org/award/all-disciplines-978
When you say "only 1 award" do you mean award TYPE or specific award opportunity? In other words, could someone apply for an award in Bosnia and one in Norway?	Thank you for your question! We mean one award opportunity and sometimes one award will have two countries as an option, but most of the awards are for one country.
On the Fulbright website, there are many more Fulbright opportunities in Europe that were not	Thank you for your question! As mentioned at the beginning of the webinar, only some awards will be

<p>mentioned in your presentation. Are these not available for applying?</p>	<p>highlighted but the complete list is on our website. Not all awards will be mentioned in this webinar.</p>
<p>Are the awards you highlighted less popular than the others not mentioned?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! No. They are just one that were picked to be spoken about. However, if you like the full list of awards, please see our website.</p>
<p>Where could I find requirements for essays for application?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! You can find them here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</p>
<p>Is there a place where I can find statistics on acceptance for each country? I see this for student awards but not for scholars.</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! No, we do not provide this information due to FFSB policy.</p>
<p>Will the system reject a second application from the same person?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! If you do two applications, then your application will be deemed ineligible. You can only apply to one award per competition cycle.</p>
<p>After peer-review, how are the applicants selected during the Dec-Jun period?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! You can see more information about this in our review criteria: https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#review-process</p>
<p>Based on what you just said, can you please clarify how narrow or broad the disciplinary review committees are? This would be very helpful in crafting a compelling and interpretable proposal.</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! You can see more information about this in our review criteria page: https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#review-process</p>
<p>Can you provide preliminary review of essays prior to application?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! We do not review essays or project statements. But you're welcome to share them with a colleague or host for feedback.</p>
<p>One more question from the mid-career professional: should I try to ally with one of my alma maters (US universities)? I have a bachelor and masters</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! We accept independent scholars. However, please double check the award details in case the award states otherwise.</p>
<p>How can we find out if the flex option is available for a particular opportunity?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! Here all the awards that have flex: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?field_award_multi_country=All&field_award_grant_length[flex]=flex&field_award_grant_length[flex_summer]=flex_summer&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</p>
<p>You mentioned that we need invitation letter, from whom?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! For more information about letters of invitation, please see here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</p>
<p>Can you clarify the process for identifying a host institution? I'm a little confused about awards requiring letters of invitation and those that do not require them. Are most awardees connected to hosts prior to starting this process or are they facilitated by the Fulbright program?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! For more information about letters of invitation, please see here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</p> <p>Not all applicants are attached to hosts prior to getting their Fulbright. Some connect as they are doing research.</p>

<p>If you apply and accepted for a specialist and scholar award, can you perform both awards?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! You cannot do both grants at the same time. However, you can do back-to-back.</p>
<p>Can a Fulbright scholar award for research is approved be started earlier? Looked like earliest was June. If notification is in December, can you start in February as an example?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! This is dependent on the award itself, and the Commission or embassy, and the start time they have available. We recommend that you try to put the most accurate start date in your application.</p>
<p>Is it a difficult process to find a host institution? And is there enough time with this award cycle to do so?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! Since you're starting early, there is still a lot of time. However, we encourage to reach out before the summertime, especially for Europe.</p>
<p>Given that applicants must choose a single award opportunity to pursue, it sounds like the endorsement/recommendation from the host is critical. Do you list that point of contact for each award so that applicants can approach them?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! We do not have a list of hosts for applicants, however, in some of the awards, the commission/embassy can help you in the process. Please read all the awards details carefully.</p>
<p>Are Campus Liaisons eligible to apply?</p>	<p>Thank you for your questions! Yes. As long as all eligibility factors are being met.</p>
<p>Where can we check if an award has family support?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! In the Awards benefits tab of the award.</p>
<p>I have a yearlong sabbatical. Can one apply for a fulbright in Europe and Africa?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! You can only apply to one award per the competition cycle.</p>
<p>Good afternoon! Is it possible to schedule 'office hours' with Amy? This is my first time exploring the Fulbright Scholars program.</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! You can schedule a call by emailing uropeeurasia@iie.org.</p>
<p>Is the “research” activity type usually for PHDs and not professionals?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! Research includes activities involving scientific research, qualitative research, quantitative research, and practice-based research, including artistic research. So, it does not only need to be for PhDs.</p>
<p>did u hear correctly that only one award is to be applied for?</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! You can only apply to one award per competition cycle. Correct.</p>
<p>What if our field of expertise is interdisciplinary? Can we tick multiple boxes that ask for our area</p>	<p>Thank you for your question! You can make a note in your application, but you will need to apply through one discipline.</p>