



**FULBRIGHT**

Scholar Program

# Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities for Faculty, Artists, Researchers and Professionals

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# Today's Presentation

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- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- Types of Awards
- Application Cycle and Tips
- Questions





## MISSION

- In partnership with **160 countries worldwide**, Fulbright offers passionate and accomplished faculty, administrators, artists, journalists, lawyers, and other professionals from all backgrounds an **unparalleled opportunity to study, teach, or conduct research**.
- Our mission is to **foster mutual understanding** between nations, **advance knowledge** across communities, and improve lives around the world.

## A BRIEF HISTORY

- Established in 1946 by Senator J. William Fulbright and passed in Congress, Fulbright is the United States government's **flagship international educational and cultural exchange program**.
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# Fulbright by the Numbers

The Fulbright Program funds over **8,000 awards** annually:

**900**

U.S. scholars and  
administrators

**900**

Visiting  
scholars

**2,200**

U.S.  
students

**4,000**

foreign  
students

**400**

language  
teaching  
assistants



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# Why Fulbright?

## Fulbright is transformational.

- **Foster relationships** that are real and lasting
- Expand your **publishing network**
- Become more **multicultural** in the classroom
- Serve as an **ambassador** for international exchange
- Gain the **professional recognition** as being identified as a “Fulbright Scholar”
- Join a vibrant **alumni network**





# Why Fulbright?

## Fulbright is family-friendly.

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





# Why Fulbright?

## Fulbright is supportive.

- **70% of applicants** engage with IIE staff
- **Continued support** while in country from IIE and host country staff
- Access to **Fulbright alumni** as a resource







## Eligibility for U.S. Scholar Program

- **U.S. citizenship**
- **Degree and experience**, as required by award:
  - Ph.D. or other terminal degree
  - MA and higher education teaching or professional experience
  - Professional and/or artistic experience with substantial accomplishments
  - Teaching experience as required
- **Compliance with policies** on previous Fulbright Scholar awards: two year waiting period between Fulbright U.S. Scholar award and next application





## **Not a U.S. Citizen?**

Visit your country's Fulbright Commission Office or the Public Affairs Office of the U.S. Embassy

### Examples:

- <http://eca.state.gov/fulbright/about-fulbright/funding-and-administration/fulbright-commissions>
- <http://eca.state.gov/fulbright/fulbright-programs/program-details-country>





## Faculty Development Leave

Please contact the Texas A&M University Faculty Affairs for more information regarding your eligibility for Faculty Development Leave.

Many Fulbright Opportunities can take place over the summer months where you would not be required to take leave from the University.

Dr. Heather Wilkinson with Faculty Affairs will present at our Annual Fulbright Workshop





# Which Award is for you?

## Award Types:

- 1 Scholar Awards
- 2 Postdoctoral Awards
- 3 Distinguished Scholar Awards
- 4 International Education Administrator Awards





# Which Award is for you?

## Flex Option

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

## Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship

## Global & Regional Awards





# Selecting the Right Award

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

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



Teaching

Research

Teaching/  
Research

Professional  
Project





# Understanding the Awards

Visit [fulbrightscholars.org](https://fulbrightscholars.org) to search awards

Review important details in:

- award details
- award requirements
- award benefits
- country/area overview

Back to awards search

FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR AWARD

**Developing Military Leadership**

KOSOVO

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

Begin Application Process

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**TITLE**  
Outreach and Recruitment Specialist

**AWARD CODE**  
24593-KO

**ACTIVITY TYPE**  
Teaching/Research

**DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**  
Ph.D. (or other terminal degree) not required

**CAREER PROFILE**  
Professionals

**NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS**  
Exactly 1

**AWARD START PERIOD**  
January 2024

**AWARD LENGTH**  
3 months

**FLEX OPTION**  
No

**MULTI-COUNTRY/AREA AWARD**  
No

**DISCIPLINES**  
Education





# Application Components

## Requirements:

- ✓ Application Form
- ✓ Project Statement
- ✓ Curriculum Vitae or Resume
- ✓ 2 Letters of Recommendation
- ✓ Language Proficiency Report *(if required)*
- ✓ Letter of Invitation *(if required)*

## Supplemental Materials:

- ✓ Course outlines or syllabi *(for teaching)*
- ✓ Reference list *(for research)*
- ✓ Portfolio submissions *(for artists, architects, and journalists)*







## Affiliations and Invitations:

### Host Institution:

- If a host is identified, it will be found under Location in the Catalog
- When a host is not identified, there are several resources to help find an affiliation:
- International office on your campus
- U.S. and Visiting Fulbright Scholar Directory
- Review award description for suggested hosts or resources

## Letter of Invitation:

- Non-binding expression of interest from proposed host abroad
- Should come from person with whom you will be collaborating
- Should be on host institution letterhead





## Tips for a strong application:



Before you start, **read your award's description carefully** to ensure you meet all requirements and your proposed project is possible.



Start application and enter referees' information **as soon as possible.**



**Take advantage of IIE resources**, including webinars, office hours and application guidance on our website.





# Application Cycle

FEBRUARY	Competition Opens
<b>SEPTEMBER 15</b>	Application Deadline
SEPTEMBER	Program staff conducts technical reviews for completeness
OCTOBER – NOVEMBER	U.S. peer review
NOVEMBER – JANUARY	Applicants notified of status. Recommended applications are sent to host countries and to the Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.
JANUARY – JUNE	Final decisions are made
JUNE – ONWARD	Participants prepare for departure



# Stay Connected with Fulbright

**EMAIL** us at [scholars@iie.org](mailto:scholars@iie.org)

**VISIT** [fulbrightscholars.org](http://fulbrightscholars.org) to learn more about the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

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# 2022-23 Fulbright Scholar

## **Dr. Martin P. Regan, Professor**

- School of Performance, Visualization, and Fine Arts
- Began his Fulbright journey in early 2020
- Traveled to Japan September, 2022-August, 2023





# Upcoming Events

- Annual Fulbright Workshop & Reception
  - Celebrating Fulbrighters Past, Present, and Future
  - February 28 3-5pm reception to follow
- Fulbrighter Dr. Po-Ju Chen,
  - Forum & Lunch, January 26 1:00pm, Research Presentation 1-3pm
  - Rm 125, Ag and Life Sciences Building (600 McKimbrough Blvd.
  - RSVP to [po-ju.chen@agnet.tamu.edu](mailto:po-ju.chen@agnet.tamu.edu) by January 23
  - Set up a one-on-one [tlacy@tamu.edu](mailto:tlacy@tamu.edu)

