

FULBRIGHT Scholar Program

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

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Today's Presentation

- 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.
- Fulbright is sponsored by the U.S.
 Department of State with funding provided by the U.S. Government and administered by the Institute of International Education.







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







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

- O U.S. citizenship
- Degree and experience, as required by award:
 - Ph.D. or other terminal degree
 - MA and higher education teaching or professional experience
 - Professional and/or artistic experience with substantial accomplishments
 - Teaching experience as required
- Compliance with <u>policies</u> on previous Fulbright
 Scholar awards: 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







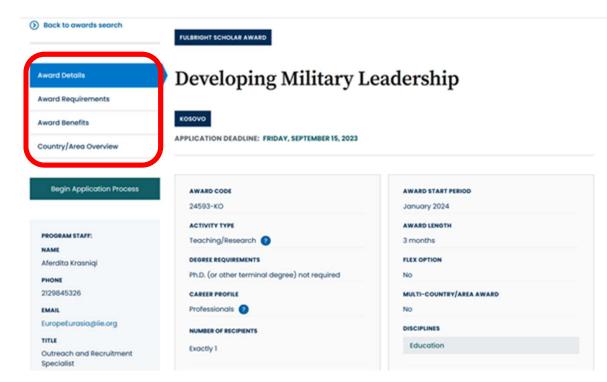


Understanding the Awards

Visit <u>fulbrightscholars.org</u> to search awards

Review important details in:

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









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





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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_by January 23
 - Set up a one-on-one <u>tlacy@tamu.edu</u>



