4th ANNUAL FULBRIGHT DAY

Student Session
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Graduate Fellowship Advisor

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The Fulbright Program

**Program Goal**

*Our mission is to foster mutual understanding between nations, advance knowledge across communities, and improve lives around the world*

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**History and Administration**

- Created in 1946 by U.S. Congress
- Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)
- U.S. Student Program administered in the U.S. by IIE
- Administered overseas by bi-national Commissions and U.S. Embassies
Diversity and Inclusion

Fulbright strives to ensure that it reflects the diversity of U.S. society and societies abroad. We encourage the involvement of people from traditionally underrepresented audiences in all our grants, programs and other initiatives.

Opportunities are open to people regardless of their race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, geographic location, socioeconomic status, disability, sexual orientation or gender identity.
Fulbright U.S. Student Eligibility

Open to:

- Graduating seniors
- Recent graduates
- Graduate students
- Early career professionals, including creative and performing artists/musicians

Basic Eligibility

- U.S. citizen by the application deadline
- Bachelor’s degree or equivalent by start of grant
- No doctorate at the time of application
- Country-specific requirements
## Program Award Types

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<td>Study/Research Grant</td>
<td>950+</td>
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<td>Independent research, study, or arts projects abroad</td>
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<td>English Teaching Assistantship (ETA)</td>
<td>1,250+</td>
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<td>Help teach English and U.S. culture in the classroom</td>
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*2,200+ Awards

140+ Countries Worldwide*
Award Benefits

**Pre-Grant & In-Country**

- Round-trip airfare
- Monthly stipend*
- Accident and sickness benefits
- Other possible benefits*
  - Support for dependents
  - Research allowance
  - Tuition
  - Language lessons
  - Enhancement activities
  - Disability-related accommodations

* Varies depending on grant and host country.

**Post-Grant**

- The Fulbright network of alumni
- State Department’s alumni website
- Eligible for 12 months of noncompetitive eligibility (NCE) hiring status within the federal government
- Lifetime Fulbright email address
- Fulbright Association
Application Components

1. **Basic Personal Data & Program Information**
   - Abstract, Host Country Engagement, Future Plans

2. **Essays**
   - Statement of Grant Purpose
     - Research/Study (2 pg max)
     - *English Teaching Assistantship (1 pg max)*
   - Personal Statement (1 pg max)

3. **Reports / References**
   - Foreign Language Evaluation
   - Three (3) References
   - Campus Committee Evaluation

4. **Transcripts**

5. **Other**
   - Research/Study: Affiliation Letter(s)
   - Arts: [Supplementary Materials](#)
Factors in Selection

- Quality and feasibility of the proposal
- Academic or professional record
- Personal qualifications
- Language preparation
- Preference factors as established by Foreign Fulbright Scholarship Board
- Extent to which the candidate and the project will help to advance the Fulbright Program goals
- Requirements of the program in individual countries
- Desirability of achieving diversity
Applying Through UCSD vs. At-Large

**At-large**

- No internal deadlines
- No campus committee interviews
- Submit by the agency deadline

**Applying through UCSD**

- Internal deadlines
- Campus Committee Interviews and Evaluations
- Chance to hear feedback from faculty
- Able to make revisions based on feedback
- Campus Committee's evaluation will be attached to your application
## Application Timeline

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<td>Design Project and Prepare Application</td>
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<td><strong>AUGUST–SEPTEMBER</strong></td>
<td>Campus Deadline</td>
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<td><strong>OCTOBER 12th 2021</strong></td>
<td>National Application Deadline, due by 5:00 p.m. ET</td>
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<td><strong>NOVEMBER–DECEMBER</strong></td>
<td>U.S. Review: National Screening Committees</td>
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<td><strong>JANUARY–MAY</strong></td>
<td>Host Country Review: Fulbright Commissions and/or U.S. Embassy</td>
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<td><strong>MARCH–JUNE</strong></td>
<td>Final Selection and Notification: Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board</td>
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UCSD Deadlines

- **July 6, 2021**: Complete Intake Form on the Graduate Division Fulbright Page
- **SEPTEMBER 7, 2021**: First Internal Deadline, submit complete application
- **SEPTEMBER 13–October 1, 2021**: Interviews with the Campus Committee
- **OCTOBER 12, 2021**: Submit before agency deadline
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