Scholar Session

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Mission

• In partnership with 160 countries worldwide, Fulbright offers passionate and accomplished faculty, administrator, 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 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.
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.
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

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

**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
- Compliance with policies on previous Fulbright Scholar awards and waiting periods between grants
Fulbright awards allow academics and professionals to participate in a wide variety of activities:

- Scholar Awards (85%) (any range of experience)
- Postdoctoral Awards (4%) (under 7 years)
- Distinguished Scholar Awards (7%) (13+ years)
- International Education Administrator Awards (4%)

OVER 1100 AWARDS AVAILABLE!
Fulbright Scholar Award Types

4 Award Types:
• Scholar Awards
• Postdoctoral Awards
• Distinguished Scholar Awards
• International Education Administrator Awards

Flex Option
• Available in 63 countries and all world areas
• Allows multiple visits over two years

Global & Regional awards
International Education Administrators Awards

IEAs are seminars that help U.S. international education professionals and senior higher education officials establish empowering connections with their counterparts and higher education systems of other countries.

**Europe**
- France (October)
- Germany (October)
- Russia Community College Administrators Award (April)

**Asia**
- South Korea (June)
- Taiwan (available for 2023-24)
- Japan (available for 2023-24)
- India (available for 2023-24)

For more information, please email IEA@iie.org
Things to Consider Before Applying

- How does it benefit you professionally?
- How does it benefit you personally?
- How does it benefit your family? (if applicable)
- How will a Fulbright benefit your home institution?
- Does your institution support faculty on fellowships?
Navigating the Awards Catalog

FULBRIGHT U.S. SCHOLAR PROGRAM CATALOG OF AWARDS

FULBRIGHT-García Robles Mexico-U.S. Border Scholar Travel Award
MEXICO 12446-MX
Click for more information

FULBRIGHT-García Robles Postdoctoral Scholar Award
MEXICO 12450-MX
Click for more information

FULBRIGHT-García Robles Science and Technology
MEXICO 12468-MX
Click for more information

FULBRIGHT-García Robles Social Sciences and Humanities
MEXICO 12466-MX
Click for more information

FULBRIGHT-García Robles Teaching English as a Foreign Language
MEXICO 12461-MX
Click for more information

FULBRIGHT-García Robles U.S. Studies Chair
MEXICO 12467-MX
Click for more information

AWARD LENGTH
Three to nine months

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Five months (one academic semester)
Understanding the Awards

Fulbright-García Robles Mexico-U.S. Border Scholar Travel Award

Award Activity
The border designation of this award refers to geography as well as focus. The goal of the Fulbright Border Scholar Travel Award is to enhance linkages and collaborative work between U.S. and Mexican Institutions and scholars in the border regions. Grantees maintain their U.S. residence and travel into Mexico periodically to engage in research, teaching, or both. At least eight workdays per month should be spent in Mexico. While the primary focus of this grant is research, grantees may also teach university courses in their discipline as it pertains to U.S.-Mexico border relations.

Application Deadline
Wednesday, September 15, 2021

awards.cies.org
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
- Maximizing success:
  - Number of opportunities?
  - Flexibility in region?
  - Flexibility in country?
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)
- Select bibliography (for research)
- Portfolio submissions (for artists, architects, and journalists)
## Application Cycle

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Sabbatical Leave
• Asst, Assoc, or full Professor
• Must have accrued appropriate service time

Leave with Pay in Lieu of Sabbatical
• Faculty appointments ineligible for Sabbatical (Professor in Residence, Salaried Adjunct/Clinical, Lecturer with Security of Employment)
• Will need record of past service (similar to sabbatical credits)

Leave from Professorial Duties to do Research
• Paid from grant funding under a research title

Change in Work Location (not considered leave)
• Allowed for up to 60 consecutive service days
• Appointee’s duties cannot be assigned to another, so will only happen during a non-teaching quarter

Extended Leave Policy (with or without pay)
• Required if duties must be reassigned
• May forfeit earning of sabbatical credits if leave with pay

Leave without Pay
• When accepting visiting appointments outside UCSD
• Benefits implications
UCSD Fulbright Returnee Panelists

• John Kosmatka, Professor, Depts. of Structural Engineering/Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
  • Italy, 2018-2019

• Scott Desposato, Professor, Dept. of Political Science
  • Brazil, 2019-2020