



FULBRIGHT

Scholar Program

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# Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities in 2023-24

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# Today's Webinar

- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- Types of Awards
- Application Cycle and Tips
- Institutional Opportunities and Other Fulbright Programs
- 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 Congress, Fulbright is the United States government's flagship international educational and cultural exchange program.
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# Diversity & 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.



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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

Approximately 400,000 “Fulbrighters” have participated in the program since its inception in 1946.



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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

## **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 as required
- Compliance with [policies](#) on previous Fulbright Scholar awards and waiting periods between grants



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# Fulbright Scholar Awards – Which is for you?

## 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



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# 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**



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# Understanding the Awards

**13504-IT**  
Fulbright Distinguished Scholar Award

**BEGIN APPLICATION PROCESS**

**Distinguished Scholar Award in Law at the University of Trento**

**ITALY**  
Europe and Eurasia

**AWARD DETAILS** | AWARD REQUIREMENTS | AWARD BENEFITS | COUNTRY/AREA OVERVIEW

**AWARD ACTIVITY**  
The Fulbright Scholar is expected to teach:  

- 1 undergraduate course, for approximately 42 hours (6 hours a week), to classes of 10-30 students
- 2/3 seminars to doctoral students for a total of 6/8 hours to classes of 5-10 students.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**  
Thursday, September 15, 2022

**Visit**  
**awards.cies.org**



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# Application Components

## Requirements:

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

## Supplemental Materials:

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- Course outlines or syllabi (for teaching)
- Select bibliography (for research)
- Portfolio submissions (for artists, architects, and journalists)







# Tips to submit 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 your application and enter your referees' information as soon as possible.** You can always save and return to it.
- **Take advantage of IIE resources**, including webinars, office hours and pointed application guidance on our website.

**Remember: You only can receive an award if you apply!**





# Application Cycle

2023-24 Competition Now Open

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



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# Connect with a Fulbright Alumni Ambassador



Fulbright U.S. Scholar Alumni Ambassadors are official representatives of the program and can share with your faculty and administrators about the impact their Fulbright had on them personally and professionally, as well as on their institution.

More information on inviting an Ambassador can be found on: [cies.org/alumni-ambassadors](https://cies.org/alumni-ambassadors)

72 Emeriti Ambassadors  
26 New Ambassadors  
80+ Events Annually



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# Bring Foreign Fulbrighters to your Campus

## Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence (S-I-R) Program

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Host scholars from other countries to teach for a semester or an academic year

NEW DEADLINE:  
June 1

Website: [cies.org/sir](https://cies.org/sir)  
Email: [SIR@iie.org](mailto:SIR@iie.org)

## Fulbright Outreach Lecturing Fund (OLF)

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Host current Fulbright Visiting Scholars for short-term lectureships of 2 – 6 days on discipline or cultural topics to internationalize the campus

Website: [cies.org/olf](https://cies.org/olf)  
Email: [OLF@iie.org](mailto:OLF@iie.org)

## Fulbright Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) Program

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Host native speaking language teaching assistants to enhance students' understanding different languages and cultures

Website: [foreign.fulbrightonline.org](https://foreign.fulbrightonline.org)  
Email: [Dcook@iie.org](mailto:Dcook@iie.org)







# Additional Fulbright U.S. Programs

## Scholars

- Arctic Initiative  
[Arctic@iie.org](mailto:Arctic@iie.org)
- Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Program  
[GPA@ed.gov](mailto:GPA@ed.gov)
- Specialist Program  
[FulbrightSpecialist@worldlearning.org](mailto:FulbrightSpecialist@worldlearning.org)

## Students

- Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Program  
[DDRA@ed.gov](mailto:DDRA@ed.gov)
- English Teaching Assistant (ETA) Program  
[FBstudent@iie.org](mailto:FBstudent@iie.org)
- Student Program  
[FBstudent@iie.org](mailto:FBstudent@iie.org)

## Teachers

- Distinguished Award in Teaching Research Program  
[FulbrightDA@irex.org](mailto:FulbrightDA@irex.org)
- Group Projects Abroad  
[GPA@ed.gov](mailto:GPA@ed.gov)
- Teachers for Global Classrooms  
[FulbrightTGC@irex.org](mailto:FulbrightTGC@irex.org)



# Stay Connected with Fulbright

Connect with Fulbright at [cies.org](https://cies.org)

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

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## Faculty/Staff Fulbright Awards



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# CMU specifics – taking leave

- Each request evaluated on case-by-case basis, looks at various factors (regular or fixed-term faculty, paid or unpaid opportunity, length of the program, department need...)
- Begin by having a conversation with department chair
- Ultimately need support from department chair, Dean, Provost
- May contact FPS with questions





# CMU past recipients

## 39 Fulbright Scholar Awards since 1961

Scott de Brestian, Art and Design, Spain, 2021  
Jennifer Liu Demas and Lane Demas, History, Taiwan, 2021  
Michael Pisani, Business, Paraguay, 2018-2019  
Hope May, Philosophy, South Korea, 2017-2018  
Kiya Famoye, Mathematics, Nigeria, 2016-2017  
Solomon Getahun, Humanities, Ethiopia, 2012-2013  
David Stairs, Arts, India, 2011-2012  
Kathleen Donohue, History, Germany, 2009-2010  
Kiya Famoye, Mathematics, Nigeria, 2009-2010  
Lauren McConnell, Drama/Theater Arts, Bulgaria, 2009-2010  
Robert Stecker, Philosophy, Hong Kong, 2009-2010  
Susan Stan, Literature, Germany, 2002-2003  
Carolyn Loeb, Art History, Germany, 2001-2002  
James Jones, Literature, Germany, 2000-2001  
David Stairs, Arts, Uganda, 2000-2001  
Byron Renz, Communications, Latvia, 1998-2000  
Terence Nevett, Business, Kenya, 1996-1997  
Lee Wilson, Art History, New Zealand, 1996-1997  
Stephen Colarelli, Psychology, Zambia, 1994-1995

## Fulbright Specialist Awards

Nailya DeLellis, Public/Global Health, Kazakhstan,  
2016 & 2019

David Weindorf, Agriculture, India, 2018

Harry Mika, Peace and Conflict Resolution  
Studies, Colombia, 2008



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<https://fulbrightspecialist.worldlearning.org/>

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