



# Fulbright Scholar Program Opportunities

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# The Fulbright Legacy

- Established 1946 to expand and strengthen the relationships between the people of the United States and citizens of the rest of the world
- Sponsored by U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs
- Administered by the Institute of
  International Education's Council for
  International Exchange of Scholars (CIES)









# The Fulbright Program





"We must try to expand the boundaries of human wisdom, empathy and perception, and there is no way of doing that except through education."

— Senator J. William Fulbright







# Fulbright in Numbers



370,000+

Fulbrights awarded since 1946



**58** 

Nobel Laureates



800

U.S. Scholar grants annually



33

Heads of State or Government



**160** 

Participants countries



31

MacArthur Fellows



**82** 

Pulitzer Prize recipients



16

Presidential Medal of Freedom recipients















**Fulbright Scholars are:** 







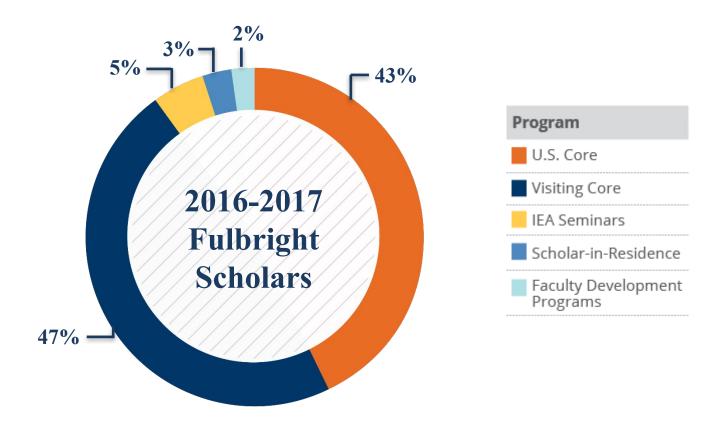








## Fulbright Scholar Program Overview



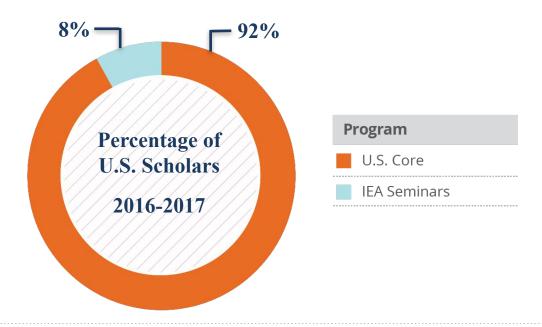






# Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

- Core Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program
- International Education Administrator Seminars
- Collaborative Research



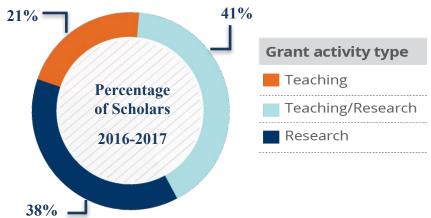






# Core Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

- Supports teaching and/or research activity for three to 12 months
- Programs active in +125 countries for faculty, administrators and professionals
- Open to all disciplines
- Apply to specific award with proposed project
- Application deadline: August 1
- Most hosts are higher education institutions
  - Eligible hosts vary by award, may include universities, research centers, institutes, laboratories, government offices, museums, etc.









## A Fulbright that Works for You

- Time Considerations:
  - Flex option
    - Allows multiple visits over two years
    - Available in 63 countries and 2 world areas
- Awards throughout your career:
  - Postdoctoral awards
  - Early Career
  - Distinguished Chair
- Mome university affiliation is not required, applications from artists and professionals, independent and emeriti scholars are welcomed!









# Eligibility for U.S. Scholar Programs

- U.S. citizenship
- Degree as required by award
  - Ph.D. or other terminal degree may be required
  - Many awards in the Core Program are open to applicants with a Masters and professional or academic experience
- Professionals and artists outside academia recognized professional standing and substantial accomplishments
- Teaching experience as required by award
- New policies on previous Fulbright Scholar grants and waiting periods between grants







# Core Fulbright Program Process









# Selecting the Right Award

- Match your expertise, experience and proposal to the award description
- Regional experience and language ability
- Discipline preferences listed in the award
- Relevance of the project to the country; why will host country benefit from your project?
- Career level early career, postdoctoral, mid-level, Distinguished Chair







# Fulbright Flex Awards

- Flex Awards are designed for scholars who require multiple visits to the host country over short segments
- Applicants must indicate plans for Flex in their project statement, including a project timeline
- Flex grantees are especially encouraged to make contact with the local community, developing long-term connections and collaborations
- Available in specific countries and regional awards
- Consult the Catalog of Awards







# Core Multi-Country Opportunities

- Regional Research Programs:
  - Sub-Saharan Africa
  - Middle East and North Africa
  - South and Central Asia
  - ASEAN Region (Southeast Asia)
- Cross-Strait Studies (China and Taiwan)
- Fulbright-Carlos Rico Award for North American Studies (Canada and Mexico)
- Fulbright-Schuman European Union Affairs, Austrian-Hungarian Research Award, Greece-Spain Joint Teaching/Research Award









# Fulbright Global Scholar Award

- Significant innovation for Fulbright
- Project must include at least 2 separate world regions
- Work typically in 2-3 different countries
- 2-3 segments over as much as 2 years
- Topics must benefit from a global perspective
- Specify
  - Why each country
  - What will be accomplished
  - When each country segment is planned







# **Application Components**

- Application Form
- Project Statement
- Curriculum Vitae or Resume
- Course Outlines or Syllabi (for teaching awards)
- Select Bibliography (for research awards)
- Letters of Reference
- Additional Components, Depending on Award
  - Language Proficiency Report
  - Letter of Invitation
  - Supplemental materials for applicants in the Arts, Architecture, Writing and Journalism







# **Application Resources**

- Fulbright Scholar Program website and Catalog of Awards
- Application and Application Instructions
- Application Guidelines, Project Statement Guidance and Samples
- Webinars
- The Fulbright Scholar Blog
- MyFulbright









## Affiliations and Invitations

#### **Grant Locations:**

- If a host is identified, it will be found under Location
- When a host is not identified, there are several resources to help find an affiliation:
  - International office on your campus
  - U.S. and Visiting <u>Fulbright Scholar Directory</u>
  - 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







### Review Criteria

- Applicant credentials, professional standing and accomplishments
- Suitability of applicant's training, knowledge, skills and experience, including justification if applicant has substantial prior experience in the country of application or a prior U.S. Fulbright Scholar grant
- Quality of proposed project
- Evidence of personal qualities, including related to cultural adaptability and sensitivity
- Project's potential impact, value of projected outcomes







# **Project Statement**

- Your opportunity to lay out your proposed project specifics in as much detail as possible
- Why Fulbright and why this country/institution/organizations?
- Focus on what you plan to **do**; the specific courses you plan to teach/the methods and goals of your research
- Outcomes from the grant impact on hosts, home institution and you
- Mow adaptable are you? How well will you deal with challenging situations?







# Submitting a Competitive Application

- Fulbright goal: promote mutual understanding
- Why you are interested in a Fulbright and why in your proposed host country
- Professional expertise and skills you can offer; benefits to the host institution and host country; exchange of knowledge and experience
- Cultural diplomacy; demonstrated flexibility, adaptability
- Outcomes, impact, and multiplier effect
  - for your professional development, home campus, students, field at large; for your host institution
  - future collaborations; linkages: personal, professional, institutional; plans for sustaining relationships
  - internationalizing campus and curriculum







## **Review Process and Timeline**

AUG. Program staff conduct technical reviews for completeness

**SEPT.** Discipline-specific committees review applications

SEPT. – U.S. peer review committees discuss applications for a single geographical region

NOV. – JAN. Applicants notified of status - Recommended applications are sent to host countries and to the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board

**FEB.** – **MAY** Grantees notified of final approvals

MAY – JUNE Grant packets sent to grantees







## Fulbright Impact: Personal and Professional

- Increased academic production
- New technical knowledge and skills
- Development of intercultural communication skills
- Enhanced teaching skills and new methodologies
- Published research (2015 survey of 2013-2015 grantees)
  - > +60% of grantees published in peer reviewed journals
  - 39% of grantees published books or book chapters
- Access to an expansive network of Fulbright alumni around the world







## Fulbright Impact: Home and Host Institution



- Most institution gains new knowledge, new courses and new energy from scholar
- Scholar's collaborative relationship with host institution and colleagues in-country results in continued dialogue and exchange
- Experience impacts scholar's field, career, home institution and home community







## **Administrator Seminars**

- International Education Administrator Seminars (IEA)
  - India, Taiwan- Aug. 1
  - Japan, Korea, Nov. 1
  - > France, Germany- Feb. 1
- Russia Community College Administrators Seminar
  - **Oct.** 16
  - Applicants must be in community college administration typically presidents, vice presidents, provosts, deans and other individuals with institutional authority for program development and international outreach









# Collaborative Research Programs

### Fulbright Arctic Initiative

- Scholars, professionals and applied researchers from the United States, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Russia and Sweden
- Stimulates international scientific collaboration on Arctic issues while increasing mutual understanding between people of the United States and the people of other countries.



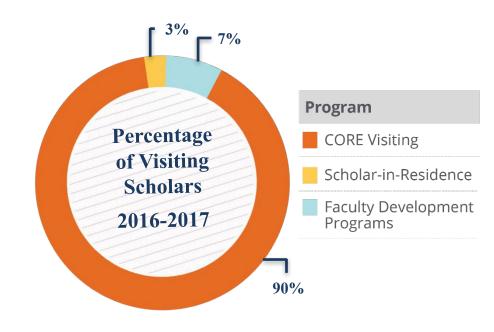






# Visiting (Non-U.S.) Scholar Programs

- Core Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program
- Fulbright Scholar-In-Residence (S-I-R) Program
- Outreach Lecturing Fund (OLF)
- Faculty Development Programs
- Collaborative Research Programs



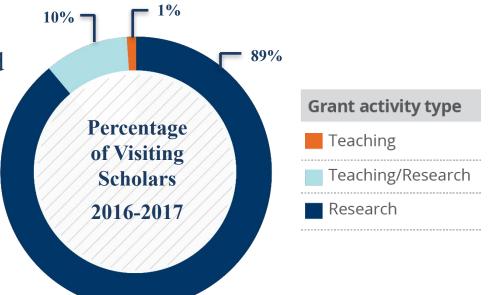






# Core Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program

- Purpose and Application
  - Visiting Scholars from other countries engage in research and teaching activities on U.S. campuses
  - Visiting Scholars apply through the Fulbright Commission or U.S. Embassy in their home countries
  - Letters of Invitation





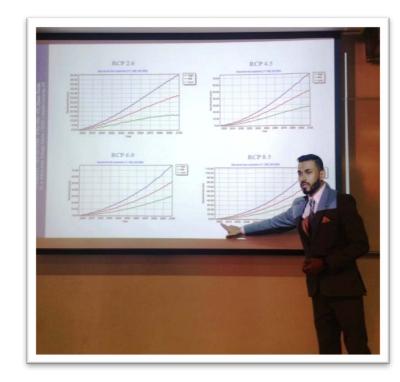




# Core Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program

### IIE/CIES

- Issues DS-2019s for the all Visiting Scholars and their dependents.
- Provide Scholars with J-visa compliant health benefits plan
- Fulbright Enrichment
  Opportunities
- Host Institutions
  - Access to Libraries and work space
  - Exposure to student body and institution community
  - Include scholars in on-campus cultural activities









# Scholar-In-Residence Program

- Prings scholars and professionals from abroad to campuses that do not often host visiting scholars
- Involves colleges and universities that serve student populations underrepresented in international exchange programs
- S-I-R grantees
  - Primarily teach undergraduates
  - Provide cross-cultural/ international perspective
- Application is made by the interested U.S. institution
  - 1 semester or full academic year options
- **Deadline** is **October 16**; Email: sir@iie.org









# Outreach Lecturing Fund (OLF)

- Travel grant for Fulbright Visiting Scholars already in the U.S. for short-term guest teaching
- Institutionally driven application by U.S. Host Institutions
- Scholars can meet, lecture and exchange ideas with faculty and students, community organizations, and K-12 schools that have a special interest in international relations and exchange ideas.
- View the <u>online scholar directory</u> for a list of 900+ scholars who are currently in country.
- Email: olf@iie.org







# Faculty Development Programs

#### **Egypt JFDP Cohort Disciplines:**

- Public Health
- Renewable Energy & Engineering
- TEFL/Linguistics
- Tunisia JFDP Cohort Discipline:
  - Information Technology/Computer Science
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  - Journalism & Media
  - Rural & Economic Development
  - TEFL/Linguistics
- Iraq Visiting Scholar Program Cohort Disciplines:
  - Law & Human Rights
  - Engineering
  - Science & Technology
  - TEFL/Linguistics
  - Business Administration & Global Entrepreneurship







# Other Fulbright Programs

#### Fulbright Specialist Program

Short term program that promotes linkages between U.S. scholars and professionals and their counterparts at host institutions overseas.

#### **Fulbright U.S. Student Program**

Recent graduates, postgraduate candidates through dissertation level, developing professionals and artists to study and research abroad

#### Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program

Principally for primary- and secondary-level educators

#### Fulbright-Hays Awards

Faculty research, group projects and seminars in designated social sciences and humanities fields









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- Visit <u>our website</u> to learn more about the Core Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program





