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FULBRIGHT



Deadline Approaching Reviewing Your Fulbright Application Package



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TODAY'S WEBINAR: WHAT TO EXPECT

- **An brief overview of the Fulbright application**
- **Highlights the various parts of an application**
- **An opportunity to ask questions! Type any question into the question module on your screen. We will answer as many questions as possible at the end of the presentation.**
- **A review of the materials posted on the CIES Website, www.cies.org**

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR TODAY

- **Depending on the number of questions and their nature, there may be some repetition of information.**
- **Please be patient**
- **Often the best answer I can give will be to suggest you speak to the appropriate program staff**
 - **Catalog of Awards**
 - **Program lists appropriate staff**
 - **CIES Website**
 - **Contact Us**
 - **[U.S. Program Staff](#)**
- **Technical issues should go to our technical support staff**
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Senator J. William Fulbright (1905-1995)



“In the long course of history, having people who understand your thought is much greater security than another submarine.”

How to Apply for the “Traditional” Fulbright Program

- **Go to CIES Web site www.cies.org**
 - **Use online Catalog of Awards and application**
 - **Read program overview, Guidelines, Frequently Asked Questions and Tips for Applying**
 - **Consult Web site for updated award information (DEADLINE AUGUST 2 – 11:59 pm EDT)**

Components of the Online Application

- **Application Form**
- **Project Statement**
- **Curriculum Vitae or Resume**
- **Course Outlines or Syllabi (for teaching awards)**
- **Select Bibliography (for research awards)**
- **References and Teaching Report**
- **Supplemental Materials (depending on award)**
 - **Language Proficiency Report**
 - **Letter of Invitation**
 - **Additional Materials for Applicants in the Arts, Architecture, Writing and Journalism**

ONLINE RESOURCES FOR PROJECT STATEMENTS

- **CIES offers online resources to guide you in crafting it:**
- **Preparing to Apply**
- **Project Statement Tips**
- **Webinar Presentations - (Archived video and PowerPoint presentation)**
- **Project Statement Guidance –Excerpts from various project statements divided into groups, by topic.**
- **Samples not shared to suggest that you copy their approach or even tone. Each project statement is unique.**
- **Part of a greater whole: the complete project statement. They offer guidance in crafting your proposal.**
- **Some excerpts have been modified to remove personally identifiable information. This helps to emphasize their overall communicative qualities, not the particular applicant or proposed host country.**

PROJECT STATEMENT

- **Self-introduction to the reviewers.**
- **Opportunity or to provide answers to the questions reviewers will have about you.**
- **For example:**
 - **Why you are interested in a Fulbright and why in this particular place?**
 - **What professional experiences and skills do you offer a host institution and host country?**
 - **What do you hope to gain from the experience, i.e., the lasting impact on you?**
 - **How adaptable are you? How well will you deal with challenging situations?**

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- **Three “Cs” rule**
 - **Complete**
 - **Clear**
 - **Compelling**
 - **Do your homework: research host country and institution and award particulars**
 - **For Teaching/Research awards, amount of attention in proposal to respective activities should match award description**

CURRICULUM VITAE or RESUME

- **Very important part of the review process in US and abroad**
- **Fills in the biographical information that there is no space for in the Project Statement**
- **Up-to-date**
- **Fulbright Scholar Program – 6 pages**
Distinguished Chairs Program – 8 pages
- **Well organized – typically by topic**
 - **Education, Employment, Publications, Service**

COURSE OUTLINES or SYLLABI – LECTURING AWARDS

- **For teaching and teaching/research grants**
 - **Two or three course syllabi or sample course outlines**
 - **Relevant to your planned grant activity.**
 - **Designed by you**
 - **Expressive of your philosophy of teaching.**
 - **Indicate when they were used or that they have been developed for your application.**
- **Syllabi and reading lists should be no more than a total of 10 pages.**

SELECT BIBLIOGRAPHY - RESEARCH

- **You should attach a bibliography relevant to your proposed project.**
- **It should reflect the current state of research on the proposed topic.**
- **Reflects your knowledge of the field and the current state of research in it.**
- **The bibliography should not exceed 3 pages.**

LETTERS OF REFERENCE/TEACHING REPORT

- **3 Letters for all applications**
- **Teaching – 2 recommendations, 1 teaching report**
 - **Teaching report should be written by someone other than the individuals submitting letters of recommendation**
- **Research – 3 recommendations**
- **Should speak to who you are, your work, your interests, your commitment, your project and its impact**
- **Best if there is a mix of referees between home institution and those outside the home institution**

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

- **Depends on the award – not necessary in many cases**
- **Language Proficiency Report**
 - **Lecturing – Francophone Africa, Latin America, some Middle East**
 - **Research – ability to conduct research**
- **Letter of Invitation/Interest**
 - **Some country programs require or recommend**
 - **Indicate contact made and applicant is welcome at the hosting institution**
 - **Typically does not involve financial obligation for hosts**
- **Additional Materials for Applicants in the Arts, Architecture, Writing and Journalism**

Other Fulbright Programs

- **Fulbright U.S. Student Program**
for recent graduates, postgraduate candidates up through dissertation level and developing professionals and artists to study and research abroad managed by Institute of International Education, IIE
 - www.fulbrightonline.org/us
- **Fulbright Teacher Exchange**
principally for primary- and secondary- level educators managed by Academy for Educational Development
 - <http://www.fulbrightteacherexchange.org/>
- **Fulbright-Hays Award**
for faculty research, group projects and seminars abroad in certain social sciences and humanities fields managed by the International Education and Graduate Programs Service of the U.S. Department of Education
 - www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/iegps