



In this challenging economic climate, a grant opportunity can help your faculty and your institution: The Fulbright Scholar Program.

Each year more than 800 U.S. faculty and administrators increase their institutions' visibility by conducting research or teaching in more than 125 countries around the world through the Fulbright Scholar Program. As you consider encouraging your faculty to explore a Fulbright grant, here are five things to keep in mind:

Five Things College Administrators Should Know About Fulbright Scholar Grants

1. Fulbright can bring new revenue streams to your campus.

Fulbright Scholars encourage their students to study abroad, as well as attract new students (at the undergraduate and graduate levels) from overseas. Fulbright Scholars also frequently establish ongoing student exchanges between home and host institutions.

4. Fulbright Scholar grants can be combined with other grants to internationalize existing research programs.

For example, Fulbright Scholar grants can add an international exchange portion to existing, long-term research projects which might not include funds for international travel.

2. Fulbright Scholar grants regularly result in ongoing research activities

that produce books, articles, conference presentations and electronic publications. Even Fulbright Scholars whose grants are for lecturing rather than research typically publish as a result of their grant.

5. Fulbright scholars typically internationalize their curricula after their return.

Three quarters of Fulbright Scholars return to their campuses to revamp their courses with a more global perspective. This gives students an additional edge to prepare for success in an increasingly globalized world.

3. Fulbright Scholars begin collaborations that often result in new grants

from public and private sources. Fulbright Scholar grantees come from all disciplines, and are awarded to faculty of all academic ranks, including adjunct and emeritus. There are also Fulbright Scholar grants available for administrators.

You and your faculty are invited to learn more about Fulbright at www.CIES.org. A full report and executive summary of the institutional impact Fulbright scholars make is also available. For additional information, email scholars@cies.iie.org or call (202) 686-7877.

Photo: John Allegrante, 2007-08 scholar to Iceland. Courtesy of Teachers College of Columbia University.



Best Practices for Internationalizing a Campus

Want to internationalize your campus? Administrators can take these steps:

CREATE ON-CAMPUS VISIBILITY

- Invite Fulbright alumni to speak about their experiences.
- Create a Web site that includes links to the Fulbright Program awards and to the directory of Fulbright Scholars from your institution. (www.cies.org)
- Call CIES, the administrators of the Fulbright Scholar Program, at (202) 686-7877 and invite a program officer to your campus for an inside look into the Fulbright application process.
- Invite Visiting Scholars to your campus to spark interest.
- Forward Fulbright announcements to all faculty and order free publication materials for campus-wide events such as International Education Week.

ENCOURAGE FACULTY TO APPLY

- Allow sabbaticals and paid leave for Fulbright assignments.
- Supplement income to provide salary equivalency while faculty members are on grants.
- Continue to provide health insurance and other important benefits to faculty receiving Fulbright grants.
- Make faculty exchange part of your school's strategic plan!
- Designate a grant officer responsible for grant notifications and deadlines.
- Acknowledge overseas experience with merit salary review and tenure decisions.
- Host a Fulbright Faculty Workshop.



Dr. Hortense Eloise Simmons, professor emerita, California State University, Sacramento, lectured on African American literature and culture in Ukraine.

PROVIDE FACULTY RECOGNITION

- Send Fulbrighters a congratulatory letter signed by the president, vice president or dean.
- Celebrate faculty return by hosting a reception in recognition of their achievements.
- Announce Fulbright awards in faculty/staff newsletters and other campus publications.
- Reward grantees with promotion, tenure and merit awards.
- Issue press releases to announce Fulbright grant recipients.
- Encourage returning faculty to develop teaching materials and new courses or revise courses based on their Fulbright grant experiences.
- Encourage further correspondence and collaboration between your institution and host institutions abroad.



Fulbright Visiting Scholar Dr. Suha Berberoglu (foreground), associate professor at Cukurova University in Turkey, researched productivity in the Seyhan Watershed at the University of California, Berkeley and the University of Maryland.

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