

# TEN Things YOU May Not Know About Fulbright

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Each year, the Fulbright Scholar Program looks for a wide range of applicants to represent American scholarship and professionalism abroad. Ten reasons to consider applying for a Fulbright grant:

**1. Applicants become Fulbrighters at all career stages.**

Successful grantees represent all levels of academic careers, from adjuncts to named chairs. U.S. administrators and professionals outside academe also receive grants.

**2. Every year more than 500 U.S. institutions are represented in the Fulbright Program.**

The Fulbright Scholar Program draws applicants from every type of educational institution in the U.S., including community colleges, liberal arts colleges, minority-serving institutions, state and private universities, major research institutions, and scientific laboratories.

**3. Professionals and artists can also become Fulbrighters.**

Fulbright grants include opportunities for journalists, college administrators, attorneys, filmmakers, fine artists and many other professionals.

**4. Awards range from two weeks to 12 months**

In the Core Program grants range from two to 12 months. In the Specialist Program grants range from two to six weeks. Seminars for U.S. administrators range from two to three weeks.

**5. Foreign language fluency may not be a factor.**

Although some Fulbright Scholar awards require fluency in a foreign language, many do not.

**6. Spend your time teaching, researching or both.**

Approximately one quarter of Fulbright Scholar grants are for research alone. Most awards are for teaching or for both teaching and research. Many awards encourage applicants to propose a grant activity.

**7. Your grant will help internationalize your campus.**

As a Fulbright Scholar, you become a catalyst to forge new links between your campus and an institution abroad. Seventy percent of U.S. alumni have initiated educational exchanges between their home and host institutions.

**8. Fulbright scholars are hosted by a wide range of institutions abroad.**

Fulbrighters teach and conduct research around the world and in nearly every kind of institution. Many scholars are placed at universities and colleges. Others work in archives, laboratories, specialized institutes, government ministries, or with non-governmental organizations, newspapers and journals.

**9. A sabbatical may not be necessary to become a Fulbrighter.**

Although stipends and benefits vary by country, many grantees do not need a sabbatical. Tips and frequently asked questions are available at [www.iie.org/cies](http://www.iie.org/cies).

**10. Many Fulbrighters take their families.**

Awards often provide maintenance and travel funds for accompanying dependents. Some grants include a tuition allowance for school-age children, allowing them to experience new cultures, languages and customs.

**The deadline for most awards for 2012-2013 is August 1, 2011.**

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