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# Fulbright U.S. Scholar Opportunities in the Western Hemisphere

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# The Fulbright Program



- Established 1946 to expand and strengthen the relationships between the people of the United States and citizens of the rest of the world
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# Fulbright in Numbers



**380,000+**

Fulbrights awarded since 1946



**800**

U.S. Scholar grants annually



**160**

Participants countries



**37**

Heads of State or Government



**59**

Nobel Laureates



**82**

Pulitzer Prize recipients

MacArthur  
Foundation

**71**

MacArthur Fellows



**16**

Presidential Medal of Freedom recipients



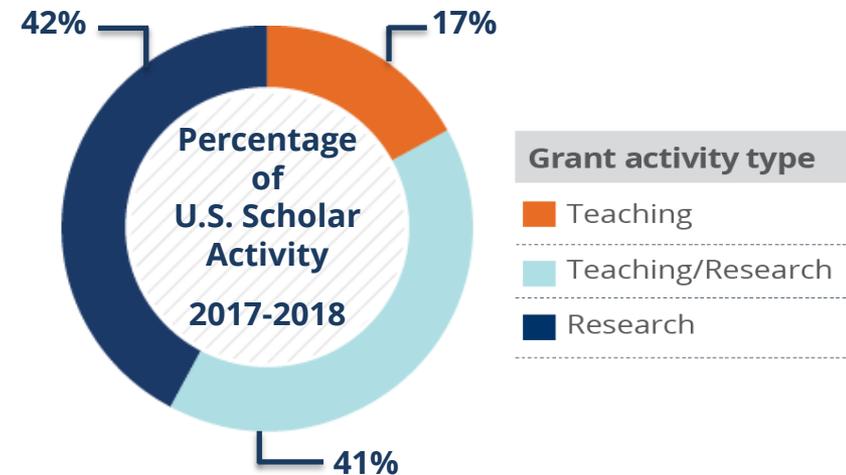
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# Core Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

- Supports teaching and/or research 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**
- Variety of host institutions



# 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 are open to applicants with a Masters and professional or academic experience
- Open to professionals and artists outside academia with recognized standing and substantial accomplishments
- Teaching experience as required by award
- New policies on previous Fulbright Scholar grants and waiting periods between grants



# Western Hemisphere: Overview

- 27 Countries represented from Canada to Chile
- 53 award offerings in the region
- 195 grants available



*“The Fulbright experience has permitted me to begin a new chapter in my U.S.-based research...”*

Sarah Gallo, Fulbright US Scholar to Mexico 2016-2017



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# Canada



- There are 11 awards available in Canada, and one regional award for Canada and Mexico.
  
- **9411-CA** All Disciplines Award
- **9494-CA** Postdoctoral Research Award
- Research Chair Awards
  - **9423-CA** Distinguished Research Chairs at Carleton University
  - **9407-CA** Research Chairs in Arts, Humanities, and Culture
  - **9410-CA** Research Chairs in Business and Economics
  - **9413-CA** Research Chairs in Education Science and Technology
  - **9416-CA** Research Chairs in Environmental Sciences
  - **9422-CA** Research Chairs in Health/Food Security
  - **9418-CA** Research Chairs in Indigenous Studies
  - **9420-CA** Research Chairs in North American Studies
  - **9419-CA** Research Chairs in Policy, Law, and Governance
  - **9477-MC** Fulbright Carlos Rico Award for North American Studies



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# Mexico



- There are 7 awards available in Mexico, and one regional award for Canada and Mexico.
- **9450-MX** Postdoctoral Scholar Award
- **9449-MX** Fulbright Scholar Border Program
- **9448-MX** Science and Technology Award
- **9446-MX** Social Sciences and Humanities
- **9451-MX** Teaching English as a Foreign Language
- **9447-MX** U.S. Studies Chair
- **9477-MC** Fulbright Carlos Rico Award for North American Studies



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# Brazil



- There are 5 awards available in Brazil.
- **9398-BR** All Disciplines Award
- **9400-BR** Post Doctoral Award in Natural Sciences
- **9397-BR** Distinguished Chair in International Relations at the University of Sao Paulo
- **9399-BR** FACEPE Distinguished Chair in STEM+C
- **9401-BR** Distinguished Chair in Public Policy at EIPP/FUNDAJ



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# Colombia and the Southern Cone: Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay

## ➤ Argentina

- **9391-AR** Science and Technology
- **9392-AR** Social Sciences and Humanities



## ➤ Chile

- **9430-CL** Astronomy and Antarctic Study Awards- Post Doctoral/Early Career
- **9431-CL** Science and Technology
- **9432-CL** Social Sciences, Humanities, and Education



## ➤ Paraguay

- **9455-PA** All Disciplines



## ➤ Uruguay

- **9460-UY** All Disciplines
- **9461-UY** Agriculture



## ➤ Colombia

- **9434-CO** All Disciplines
- **9433-CO** Universidad Nacional de Colombia Distinguished Chair in Biodiversity and Sustainable Development



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# All Disciplines Awards in the Western Hemisphere

## All Disciplines Awards

- Available in 23 countries in the Western Hemisphere
- Support a variety of activities
- Open to all disciplines but may have preferences
- Open to a variety of host institutions

Bahamas
Barbados/Eastern Caribbean
Belize
Bolivia
Brazil
Canada
Colombia
Costa Rica
Dominican Republic
Ecuador
El Salvador
Guatemala
Guyana
Haiti
Honduras
Jamaica
Nicaragua
Panama
Paraguay
Peru
Suriname
Trinidad and Tobago
Uruguay

## All Disciplines Awards

Available in all regions of the Western Hemisphere

- North America
- Central America
- The Caribbean
- South America



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# Special Award Features and Requirements

## ➤ Language Requirements

- Spanish, Portuguese, French or Haitian Creole, Dutch may be required.
- Levels will vary by country and award.

## ➤ Regional Travel Award

- During their grant period, Fulbright U.S. Scholars in the Western Hemisphere region may apply for a short-term regional travel grant in eligible WHA countries.
- The Regional Travel Program covers travel to and from the destination; lodging may be offered by the hosting institution.
- Scholars apply for this grant once in country on their Fulbright grant.



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# A Fulbright that Works for You

- Flex option
  - Available in 25 Western Hemisphere
  - Allows multiple visits over two years
- Awards throughout your career:
  - Postdoctoral awards
  - Early Career
  - Distinguished Chair
- Carlos Rico Award: Canada/Mexico
- Global Scholar Award
- Home university affiliation is not required. Applications from artists and professionals, independent and emeriti scholars are welcomed!



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# Application Resources

- [Fulbright Scholar Program website](#) and [Catalog of Awards](#)
- **Apply**
  - [Application](#) and [Application Instructions](#)
  - [Application Guidelines, Project Statement Guidance](#) and [Samples](#)
- **Learn**
  - [Webinars](#)
  - The Fulbright Scholar [Blog](#)
- **Connect**
  - [MyFulbright](#)



# Application Components

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



# 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
- How adaptable are you? How well will you deal with challenging situations?



# Affiliations and Invitations

## Host Institution:

- If a host is identified, it will be found under Location in the Catalog
- When a host is not identified, there are several resources to help find an affiliation:
  - International office on your campus
  - U.S. and Visiting [Fulbright Scholar Directory](#)
  - 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



# Submitting a Competitive Application

- Address the Fulbright goal of promoting 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. -  
EARLY NOV.**

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



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