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Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: Opportunities in Europe and Eurasia in 2025-26 for Faculty, Artists, Researchers and Professionals

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Today's Presentation

- Program Overview
- Why Fulbright?
- Eligibility
- Types of Awards
- Application Cycle
- Europe and Eurasia highlights
- Questions





MISSION

- In partnership with **160 countries worldwide**, Fulbright offers passionate and accomplished faculty, administrators, artists, journalists, lawyers, and other professionals from all backgrounds an **unparalleled opportunity to study, teach, or conduct research**.
- Our mission is to **foster mutual understanding** between nations, **advance knowledge** across communities, and improve lives around the world.

A BRIEF HISTORY

- Established in 1946 by Congress, Fulbright is the United States government's **flagship international educational and cultural exchange program**.
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Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Accessibility

The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) of the United States Department of State strives to embed diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA) in all aspects of its work. Public diplomacy is most effective when people of diverse backgrounds and perspectives participate in people-to-people exchanges and programs to promote mutual understanding. The Bureau incorporates DEIA best practices throughout its exchanges and programs, grants, community partnerships, and in its workforce and workplace. ECA is committed to addressing barriers based on race, ethnicity, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, religion, geographic location, education, income, socio-economic status, and other diversity dimensions, that may hinder inclusion in the organization. The Bureau's commitment to DEIA strengthens U.S. foreign policy and is vital to building trust and partnerships here at home and around the world.





Fulbright by the Numbers

The Fulbright Program funds over **8,000 awards** annually:

900

U.S. scholars and
administrators

900

Visiting
scholars

2,200

U.S.
students

4,000

foreign
students

400

language
teaching
assistants



The Power
of International
Education

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Fulbright U.S. Scholar Awards give opportunities to U.S. citizens to teach, research, carry out professional projects, and participate in seminars around the world.

Why Fulbright?

Fulbright is transformational.

- Foster sustainable partnerships
- Expand your publishing network and gain new teaching perspectives
- Serve as a cultural ambassador
- Gain the professional recognition as being identified as a Fulbright Scholar
- Join a vibrant and supportive alumni network!





Why Fulbright?



Fulbright is family-friendly.

- Approximately **60%** of our awards provide **dependent support**
- Many Fulbright dependents go on to have international careers





Why Fulbright?

Fulbright is supportive.

- **70% of applicants** engage with IIE staff
- **Continued support** while in country from IIE and host country staff
- Access to Fulbright **scholar liaisons** and **alumni** as resources





Eligibility for U.S. Scholar Program

- ➔ **U.S. citizenship**
- ➔ **Degree and experience**, as required by award:
 - Ph.D. or other terminal degree
 - MA and higher education teaching or professional experience
 - Professional and/or artistic experience with substantial accomplishments
 - Teaching experience as required
- ➔ **Fulbright U.S. Scholar alums are eligible**; two year waiting period between end of your last Fulbright U.S. Scholar award and next application





What can a Fulbright U.S. Scholar do? Start by finding your award!

Over 400 individual awards in more than 100 countries to **teach, research**, teach AND conduct research (listed as **teaching/research**), carry out a **professional project** or attend a **seminar**:

fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search

Select ***one award*** that suits your profile as a scholar, your project and your goals – and apply!





Fulbright U.S. Scholar Awards

Award Types that support research, teaching, and/or professional projects:

- Postdoctoral Awards
- Scholar Awards
- Distinguished Scholar Awards

Awards vary from **2-12 months**



Over 60 countries allow for the **Flex option**, which lets you divide a longer grant into two to three visits over up to two years, depending on the award.





Fulbright U.S. Scholar Awards – FPPF and IEA

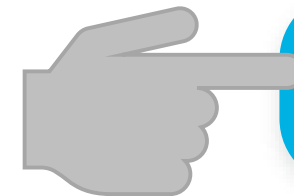
- **Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship (FPPF)**: Early and mid-career public policy professionals serve in foreign government ministries or institutions
- **Fulbright International Education Administrator (IEA) Awards**: Higher education administrators participate in seminars to learn about a country's higher education system and context.





Selecting the Right Award

- **Match** country interest, expertise, career profile, and proposal to the award description
- Most awards are for one country, but there also some **regional and global awards** – check your options!
- **Language ability** (if applicable)
- **Discipline preferences**, when specified
- **Project relevance** to the host country and/or institution
- **Benefits** to you and your community



Teaching

Research

Teaching/
Research

Professional
Project

Remember: *you can only apply for **ONE AWARD** per application cycle*



Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program:

Europe and Eurasia Highlights from the 2025-26 Competition



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Europe and Eurasia Regional Highlights

- **223 unique awards offered across 40 countries, from Ireland to Azerbaijan**
- Partnership awards in **Austria, France, Finland, Sweden, Spain, UK**, etc.
- 30 awards offer “**Flex Option**” for 2-3 visits over two academic years
- 6 Postdoctoral awards offered in **Czech Republic, France, Turkey** and **Spain**
- 7 Multi-country awards and research in **European Union** countries
- **30 Distinguished Scholar** Awards in 12 countries





Western Europe

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- Ireland: [Future Scoping and Challenge-Based Funding](#)
- France: **NEW** [Fulbright-Université de Montpellier](#)
- Spain: **NEW** [International Innovation, Entrepreneurship, Business Administration & Leadership at the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid](#)
- Portugal: [Fulbright / FCT: Foundation for Science and Technology Award \(All Disciplines\)](#)
- United Kingdom: [Fulbright-Lancaster University Scholar Award in Science and Technology](#)





Scandinavia/Nordic Countries

- Denmark: [Community College Faculty Award](#)
- Finland: [Fulbright-Saastamonien Foundation Distinguished Chair in Health Sciences](#)
- Iceland: [Fulbright Iceland-National Science Foundation Nordic Award in Arctic Security](#)
- Norway: [Advanced International Studies at the Nobel Institute](#)
- Sweden: [Fulbright – Uppsala University Distinguished Scholar Award in American Studies](#)





The Baltics

- Estonia: [All Disciplines](#)
- Latvia: [All Disciplines](#)
- Lithuania: [All Disciplines](#)





Central Europe

- Austria: [Fulbright-Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt Visiting Professor](#)
- Czech Republic: [Fulbright-Masaryk Award \(NGO Management\)](#)
- Hungary: [Hungarian Academy of Sciences Research Award \(All Disciplines\)](#)
- Poland: **NEW** [Fulbright Writer-in-Residence at Adam Mickiewicz University](#)
- Slovak Republic: [All Disciplines](#)





Southeast Europe

- Albania: [Climate Change – Education and Advocacy](#)
- Bulgaria: [All Disciplines](#)
- Kosovo: [Sharing Lessons from Kosovo's Post-War Mental Health Experiences](#)
- Malta: [All Disciplines](#)
- Montenegro: [All Disciplines](#)
- North Macedonia: [Rule of Law, Judiciary Reform and Civil Society](#)





Eurasia

- Armenia: [All Disciplines](#)
- Azerbaijan: [All Disciplines](#)
- Georgia: [Opportunities in STEM](#)
- Turkey: [Fulbright Senior Scholar Award](#)





Fulbright EU - Schuman Awards

- [Distinguished Scholar](#)
- [Innovation](#)
- [European Union Affairs](#)
- [Postdoctoral Award](#)





Postdoctoral Awards

- [Czech Republic](#)
- [France](#)
- [Slovak Republic](#)
- [Spain](#)
- [Turkey](#)
- [EU-Schuman](#)





International Education Administrator (IEA) Awards

France: 2 weeks, October, Senior Level Administrators with at least 5 years of experience
LOI not required

Germany: 2 weeks, October/November, Full time Administrators, career services, alumni development and fundraising with at least 3 years of experience, LOI not required

HBCU France-Senegal NEW: 2 weeks, April, HBCU Administrators and Executives; LOI not required





Understanding the Awards

Visit fulbrightscholars.org to search awards

Review important details in:

- award details
- award requirements
- award benefits
- country/area overview

[Back to awards search](#)

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- 2 Award Requirements
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Begin Application Process

Add to Comparison

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FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR AWARD

Community College Faculty Award

Denmark

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

AWARD CODE

25405-DK

ACTIVITY TYPE

- Professional Project ?
- Research ?
- Teaching ?
- Teaching/Research ?

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Ph.D. (or other terminal degree) not required

CAREER PROFILE

Community College Faculty ?

NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS

Approximately 1

AWARD START PERIOD

August 2025 - September 2025 or January 2026 - February 2026

AWARD LENGTH

4 months - 5 months

FLEX OPTION

No

MULTI-COUNTRY/AREA AWARD

No

DISCIPLINES

Projects are sought in all disciplines





Application Components

Requirements:

- ✓ Application Form
- ✓ Project Statement
- ✓ Curriculum Vitae or Resume
- ✓ 2 Letters of Recommendation
- ✓ Language Proficiency Report *(if required)*
- ✓ Letter of Invitation *(if required)*

Supplemental Materials:

- ✓ Course outlines or syllabi *(for teaching)*
- ✓ Reference list *(for research)*
- ✓ Portfolio submissions *(for artists, architects, and journalists)*





Tips for a strong application:



Before you start, **read your award's description carefully** to ensure you meet all requirements and your proposed project is possible.



Start application and enter referees' information **as soon as possible**.



Take advantage of IIE resources, including webinars, office hours and application guidance on our website.





Application Cycle

The 2025-26 Fulbright U.S. Scholar Competition: Open in February 2024

FEBRUARY	Competition Opens
SEPTEMBER 16	Application Deadline
SEPTEMBER	Program staff conducts technical reviews for completeness
OCTOBER – NOVEMBER	U.S. peer review
NOVEMBER – JANUARY	Applicants notified of status. Recommended applications are sent to host countries and to the Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.
JANUARY – JUNE	Final decisions are made
JUNE – ONWARD	Participants prepare for departure



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