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Opportunities in STEM

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Mission

• In partnership with 160 countries worldwide, Fulbright offers passionate and accomplished faculty, administrator, 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.

• Fulbright is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State with funding provided by the U.S. Government and administered by the Institute of International Education.
Diversity and Inclusion

Fulbright strives to ensure that it reflects the diversity of U.S. society and societies abroad. We encourage the involvement of people from traditionally underrepresented audiences in all our grants, programs and other initiatives.

Opportunities are open to people regardless of their race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, geographic location, socioeconomic status, disability, sexual orientation or gender identity.
Fulbright by the Numbers

The Fulbright Program funds over 8,000 awards annually:

- 2,200 U.S. Students
- 4,000 foreign students
- 800 U.S. scholars and administrators
- 900 visiting scholars
- 400+ language teaching assistants

Approximately 390,000 “Fulbrighters” have participated in the program since its inception in 1946.
Distribution of Awards

Fulbright awards allow academics and professionals to participate in a wide variety of activities:

- Postdoctoral research (8%)
- Administrator seminar (9%)
- Teaching (17%)
- Research (28%)
- Teaching/Research (38%)
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
- Compliance with policies on previous Fulbright Scholar awards and waiting periods between grants
Regional Highlights: Western Hemisphere

**Mexico: Fulbright-Garcia Robles Science and Technology**
- Scholars may conduct research and/or teach in area of specialization.
- Grant length is 3 – 9 months.
- Intermediate Spanish language proficiency is required.

**Panama: Science, Technology and Education**
- Scholars may conduct research and/or teach related to their topic of interest.
- Grant length is 4 – 9 months.
- Intermediate Spanish language proficiency is recommended.
Regional Highlights: Europe

**Austria: Fulbright-IMC University of Applied Sciences Krems Visiting Professor**

- Scholars may conduct research/teaching in the disciplines of Economics or Environmental Sciences.
- Affiliation is with IMC University of Applied Sciences, Krems, Lower Austria.
- Grant length is 4 months.

**Georgia: Opportunities in STEM**

- Scholars may conduct research and/or teach in the disciplines of Biology, Chemistry, Computer Sciences, Engineering, Environmental Sciences, Information Sciences/Systems or Mathematics.
- Grant length is 4 – 9 months.
- Intermediate Spanish language proficiency is recommended.
Regional Highlights: South & Central Asia

**Bhutan: Multiple Disciplines**
- Scholars may teach in the disciplines of Computer Science, Economics, Environmental Sciences, Information Sciences/Systems or Mathematics.
- Grant length is 10 months.
- A letter of invitation should not be sought.

**Tajikistan: Multiple Disciplines**
- Scholars may conduct research and/or teaching in the disciplines of Biology, Computer Sciences, Economics, Engineering, Environmental Sciences, Geology, Information Sciences/Systems or Physics.
- Grant length is 4 – 9 months.
- The flex option is available.
Regional Highlights: East Asia & The Pacific

**Australia: Fulbright Scholar Award (University of Canberra)**
- Scholars may conduct research in the disciplines of Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Economics, Engineering or Environmental Sciences.
- Grant length is 3 - 4 months.
- Affiliation is with the University of Canberra.

**Taiwan: Arts, Education, Humanities, Professional Fields and Social Sciences**
- Scholars may conduct research and/or teaching in the disciplines of Economics, Environmental Sciences or Geology.
- Grant length is 5 – 10 months.
- Fulbright Scholars in the East Asia and Pacific (EAP) region have the opportunity to apply for funds to support short-term (3-14 days) travel to other countries in the EAP region for activities such as lectures, workshops, graduate or faculty seminars, master classes or recitals, curricular advising or panel presentations.
Regional Highlights: Middle East & North Africa

Egypt: Sciences
- Scholars may conduct research and/or teaching in the disciplines of Computer Science, Engineering, Environmental Science, Geology, Information Sciences/Systems or Physics.
- Grant length is 6 – 10 months.
- Affiliation is possible at any of the 26 universities or technical universities in the new higher education structure.

Qatar: Postdoctoral Fellowship in Water, Energy, and the Environment at HBKU
- Scholars may conduct water security research.
- Affiliation is with the Qatar Environment and Energy Research Institute (QEERI).
- Grant length is 4 – 12 months 12 months being preferred.
Regional Highlights: Sub-Saharan Africa

**South Africa: Science and Technology**
- Scholars may conduct research and/or teaching in the disciplines of Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering, and Environmental Sciences, Geology, Material Sciences or Physics.
- Grant length is 3 - 9 months.
- Affiliation is with any appropriate university or research institution.

**Zambia: Multiple Disciplines – Copperbelt University**
- Scholars may conduct teaching/research in the disciplines of Computer Science, Economics or Engineering.
- Affiliation is with the Copperbelt University.
- Grant length is 10 months.
## Application Cycle

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