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Public Policy Fellowship

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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 Public Policy Fellowship

• Opportunity to serve as “technical specialists” in a foreign government ministry or institution, 80% of time
• Self-directed independent research project, 20% of time
• Four to nine months
• Approximately 10 globally (expected at least two per country)
Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship

• U.S. Embassy or Fulbright Commission coordinate placements within host government ministries
• Applicants should not contact potential host ministries to organize or advocate for a placement
• Desired qualifications include:
  - Graduate degree in a public-policy related field
  - 3 to 5 years public policy relevant experience
  - Language skills depends on the country
Participating Government Hosts

**Burma**
- Burmese language skills not required
- Potential Hosts: Health, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation, Parliament

**Peru**
- Advanced Spanish required

**Cote d’Ivoire**
- Advance French Required

**Ukraine**
- Level of Ukrainian language skills depends on ministry.
- Potential Hosts: Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports; Ministry of Health; Ministry of Social Policy; Ministry of Education; Ministry of European and Euro-Atlantic Integration; Ministry for Veterans Affairs, Temporarily Occupied Territories and Internally Displaced Persons of Ukraine
Application Components

- Application Form
- Project Statement
- Curriculum Vitae or Resume
- Letters of Reference
- Select Bibliography
- Language Proficiency Report
Project Statement

• What skills, knowledge, and experience of yours will benefit the host country or institution, and how?

• Tell your story: What led you to apply for this fellowship?

• Outcomes from the grant – What is the impact on your host government, your employer, and you?

• How adaptable are you? How well will you deal with challenging situations?

• Lay out and explain your proposed research project specifics in as much detail as possible
## Review Process and Timeline

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<td>Peer Review Committee reviews applications and makes recommendations for further consideration by U.S. Embassies or binational Fulbright Commissions in the host country</td>
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<td>U.S. Embassies or binational Fulbright Commissions overseas review recommended applications, interview candidates (virtually), and consult with host government ministries on candidates. Successful candidates are nominated for selection</td>
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<td>Recommended candidates reviewed by the J.W. Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board for approval</td>
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<td>FEBRUARY – MARCH</td>
<td>Scholar selections announced, following U.S. Embassy host ministry placement negotiations</td>
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<td>Grantees prepare for grants. Pre-departure orientation in Washington, DC.</td>
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