Spotlight on Austria: Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

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

- 800 U.S. scholars and administrators
- 2,200 U.S. Students
- 4,000 foreign students
- 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:

- Teaching/Research (38%)
- Research (28%)
- Teaching (17%)
- Administrator seminar (9%)
- Postdoctoral research (8%)
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
A Fulbright that Works for You

Awards throughout your career:
• Postdoctoral
• Early and mid-career
• Distinguished chair
• Emeriti, adjunct, independent scholar

Flex Option
• Available in 63 countries and all world areas
• Allows multiple visits over two years

Regional research awards
Selecting the Right Award

- Match expertise, experience and proposal to the award description
- Regional experience and language ability
- Discipline preferences, when specified
- Is the project relevant to the host country? How will communities benefit from your project?
- Career level – postdoctoral, early career, mid-career, Distinguished Chair, administrator, established professional
Opportunities in Austria: FAQ

• Is my discipline represented?
• Are there opportunities for early career Scholars?
• What if I don’t have contacts at the host institution?
• How do I get a letter of invitation?
• Who pays for my trip?
• Are there benefits for family members?
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Fulbright Natural History Museum Vienna
Visiting Researcher

• Four months research
• Flex option offered
• Open to all level of scholars
• Letter of invitation preferred
• Environmental Sciences: Earth, Life, and Human Sciences
Fulbright-UAS Burgenland Visiting Professor of Energy and Environmental Management

- Four months teaching/research
- Open to all level of Scholars
- Letter of invitation is optional
- Architecture, Engineering, Environmental Sciences, and Urban Planning
Fulbright-NAWI Graz
Visiting Professor in the Natural Sciences

• All level of Scholars
• Teaching & Research
• Letter of Invitation: optional
• Biology, Chemistry, Engineering, Environmental Sciences, Geography, and Geology, Mathematics, Physics, etc.
Fulbright-St. Pölten University of Applied Sciences
Visiting Professor of Computer Science and Security

• Teaching & Research
• Letter of Invitation: optional
• IT Security/Information, Security, and Data Science
Fulbright-Q21/MuseumsQuartier Artist-In-Residence

- Two Months
- Professional Project and/or Research
- Letter of Invitation: optional
- Arts, Dance, Drama/Theater, Fashion, Film/Cinema Studies, and Music
Dr. Julie Ann Elston - Fulbright U.S. Scholar in Austria

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- Fulbright opportunities
- Oh, Vienna!
Understanding the Awards

https://awards.cies.org
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)
- Select bibliography (for research)
- Portfolio submissions (for artists, architects, and journalists)
Project Statement

• Describe your proposed project in 3 – 5 pages.
• Focus on what you plan to do, the specific courses you plan to teach, the goals of your research, your methods.
• Explain the anticipated impact of your award on your hosts, home institution and you.

Supplemental Questions

• Why Fulbright? (1,000 characters)
• Why this country? (2,000 characters)
• How adaptable are you? How well will you deal with challenging situations? (1,000 characters)
• How will you adapt your materials for to host culture (2,000 characters)
Affiliations and Invitations

In the award description: a host institutions may or may not be identified

- University of Oran-2 in Oran
- University of Algiers-2 in Algiers

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
Affiliations and Invitations

Application Requirements

**INVITATION REQUIREMENT**
A letter of invitation is required

- 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
Portfolio

• Applicants in the creative/performing arts should submit a digital portfolio to aid in the evaluation of their application
• The portfolio should demonstrate your technical skills and the maturity of your artistic direction.
• The portfolio should be a well-edited, representative collection of your work/research related to the project.

Portfolios guidelines:
• Images, pictures, and graphics – 10 images (with descriptive notes)
• Audio/video files – up to 30 min. total for all segments
• Writing samples – up to 15 pages
## Application Cycle

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