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Virtual Advising: Fulbright Scholar Awards in South and Central Asia

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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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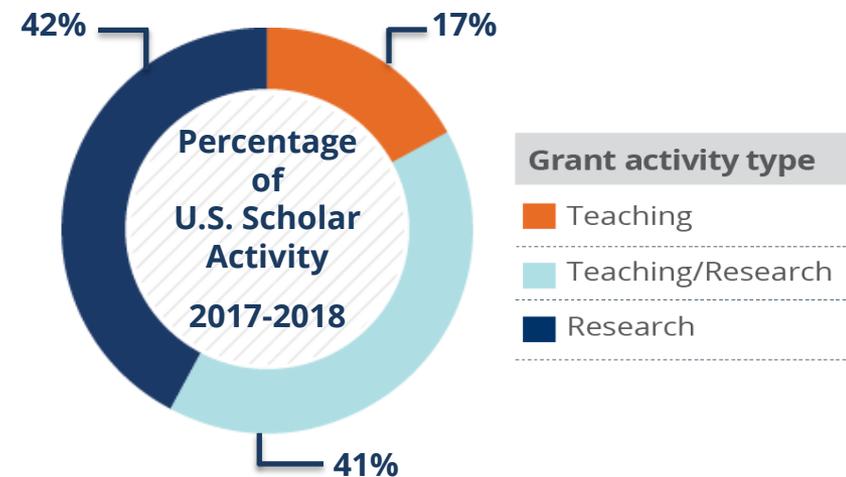


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Core Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

- 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



A Fulbright that Works for You

- Flex option
 - Available in four countries in SCA
 - Allows multiple visits over two years
- Awards throughout your career:
 - Postdoctoral awards
 - Early Career
 - Distinguished Chair
- Multi-country awards
- Global Scholar Award
- Home university affiliation is not required. Applications from artists and professionals, independent and emeriti scholars are welcomed!



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South and Central Asia: Overview

- 14 award offerings and about 83 grants available
- Fulbright Regional Travel Program
- Regional [webpage](#) & [blog](#)



“Personally, my nine months in Uzbekistan were one of the most rewarding experiences of my life [...] Professionally, the experience was even more transformative for me.”



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Multi-Country Opportunity

South and Central Asia Regional Research Program

- [9476-MC](#) Conduct research on an issue in two or three countries
- Open to all disciplines
- Three to nine months
- Letter of invitation required



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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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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](#)



Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How can I contact you?

A: E-mail addresses are listed in the award descriptions.

Q: When is the application deadline?

A: August 1, 2018

Q: How many applications do you get? What is the success rate?

A: Sorry, we can't share that information (FFSB policy).

Q: Can I apply to two or more awards in the same competition?

A: No, you need to choose ONE award to apply to.



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