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Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

Hidden Gems in Europe and Eurasia

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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: 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 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.



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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



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Selecting the Right Award

- Match your expertise, experience and proposal to the award description
- Regional experience and language ability
- Discipline preferences listed in the award
- Relevance of the project to the country; why will host country benefit from your project?
- Career level - early career, postdoctoral, mid-level, Distinguished Chair



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Europe and Eurasia: Overview

- Largest regional program
- Over 260 awards offerings
- Showcase 10% of the opportunities today!
- From Iceland to Azerbaijan



*“There is no way to know before you start a project where it will end up,
but I never imagined my research would take the shape it has!”*



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Hidden Gems in Western Europe

- **Portugal:** [Fulbright Award in Performing Arts/Polytechnic of Lisbon \(IPL\)](#)

Combination of TR in development of **Music Performance, Composition and Jazz and Music Technologies** course syllabi.

Open to more senior level of scholars. LOI is preferred and **open to professionals** as well.

- **Spain:** [Aerospace or Mechanical Engineering at Universidad Europea de Madrid](#)

Teaching/Research. **Aerospace Engineering** courses at the undergraduate level or **Engineering** at the graduate level. Open to academics and appropriately qualified professionals outside of academia. PhD required. Open to all level of scholars, except early career.

- **United Kingdom:** [Fulbright Cyber Security Award](#)

Research opportunity for 3 to 6 months at any higher education institution in the UK in cyber security. Open to early career scholars. Ph.D. is not required.



Hidden Gems in Western Europe

- **France:** [Hauts-de-France Regional Award \(Junior research\)](#)

Up to 12 months Research grant, **possibility to extend for an additional year**. Applications are sought in all appropriate disciplines. Open to academics only. **Postdoct award, open to early career scholars**. Ph.D required. Scholars must have at least 18 months professional experience.

- **Germany:** [All Disciplines \(Flex\)](#)

Teaching or Teaching Research or both. **Flex Option 2-4 months**. Applications welcome in all appropriate disciplines but preference in **Communications, Journalism and Political Science**. Ph.D. or terminal degree required. Open to academics only.

- **Ireland:** [Inclusive Design and Creative Technology Innovation: Olfactory Research](#)

Combination of TR at SMARTlab – inclusive design research center of Ireland in biology, psychology, or other similar discipline. **The olfactory art** is an art form that uses scents as medium.



Hidden Gems in Scandinavia

- **Finland:** [Fulbright Bicentennial Chair](#)

The Fulbright Bicentennial Chair was established in 1976 to institutionalize the teaching of American history, culture and language at the University of Helsinki. It was the first chair in the **Fulbright Distinguished Chairs Program**. The Bicentennial Chair holder has played a crucial role in developing the interdisciplinary approach to American studies found at the University of Helsinki and at other Finnish universities with American studies programs. Today it is one of the most prestigious appointments in the Fulbright Scholar Program.

- **Sweden:** [Fulbright Lund University Chair in Public International Law](#)

Founded in 1666, Lund University is now **the largest site of higher education and research in the Nordic countries**, with its 42,500 students and 6,000 faculty and staff.

The Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law (RWI) is an independent academic institution, established in 1984, which promotes human rights through research, training and education.



Hidden Gems in Central Europe

- **Austria:** [Fulbright-WU \(Vienna University of Economics and Business\) Visiting Professor](#)

T or T/R. Preferred disciplines: Business Administration, Communications, Economics, Information Sciences, Law and Public Administration. **LOI is optional.** Ph.D. or terminal degree is required.

- **Hungary:** [Fulbright-Budapest Semesters in Mathematics-Rényi Institute Scholar Grants in Mathematics](#)

Four month Research grant open to all levels of scholars, **including early career.** Only open to academics. Only applications in the mathematics discipline will be considered. Two grants available.

- **Poland:** [Media Literacy and Cybersecurity](#)

Two grants in Teaching, Teaching/Research, Research for 3 to 5 months in digital society, digital humanities, the new media, STS, or cybersecurity. All levels of scholars, including early career. **Ph.D. or terminal degree not required.**



Hidden Gems in Central Europe

- **Belgium:** [NATO Security Studies](#)

Research or combination of Teaching and Research for five months on **transatlantic security studies** at a European University or think tank. Open to all level of scholars including early career. LOI is strongly preferred.

- **Italy:** [Fulbright-Fondazione CON IL SUD Award for Teaching/Research in All Disciplines](#)

Teaching/Research. Preference for projects in the **sciences and in technology**. Ph.D. or Terminal degree is required. 5-6 months. Grant dates to be arranged with host institution. Italian language fluency sufficient to complete the research project is required.

- **Czech Republic:** [Fulbright-Masaryk Award \(NGO Management\)](#)

Teaching or a combination of TR in Art Communications, Education, Environmental Sciences, Information Sciences Journalism, Law, Political Science, Psychology, Public Administration, Public/Global Health, Social Work, Sociology, Urban Planning. **PhD is not required.**



Hidden Gems in Southeast Europe

- **Albania:** [Gender Studies](#)

Four to Five month Teaching/Teaching Research grant. Open to all levels of scholars, including early Career. Ph.D. or other terminal degree required. Applications in Social work and **Gender Studies** are preferred.

- **Bulgaria:** [All Disciplines](#)

Teaching, Research or Personal Project three to five month grant. Flex option available. Up to five grants available. Open to all levels of scholars, including early career. **Ph.D. or other terminal degree not required.** Applications are sought in all appropriate disciplines.

- **Kosovo:** [Higher Education](#)

Teaching, Research, or Professional Project (**Professional consultant**) four to six month grant for **senior Scholars**. Ph.D. (or other terminal degree) required. Applications in Education and Public Administration will be considered. Open to academics and appropriately qualified professionals outside of academia. Open to qualified U.S. higher education administrators.



Hidden Gems in Southeast Europe

- **Romania:** [Media Literacy and Cyber Security](#)

Teaching, Teaching Research or Research three to five month grant. No flex option. Two grants available. Ph.D. Candidates are sought in all appropriate disciplines including but not limited to **digital society, digital humanities, the new media, Science, Technology and Society (STS), or cybersecurity.**

- **Slovenia:** [All Disciplines](#)

Teaching or Teaching Research four to nine months grant (full academic-year grants are rare). Applications are sought Applications in **American Studies, Business Administration, Computer Science, Journalism, Political Science and TEFL** are preferred. Open to all levels of scholars, including early career. Ph.D. required.

- **Slovak Republic:** [Economics](#)

Teaching or a combination of TR in business administration, economics and public administration with some of the leading universities in the country. It is open to academics only and welcoming early career applicants.



Hidden Gems in Eurasia

- **Moldova:** [All Disciplines](#)

Teaching grant. Five months for a one-semester grant; 9.5 months for a two-semester grant. **Flex option available.** Up to four grants available. Applications are sought in all appropriate disciplines. Open to all levels of scholars, including early career.

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

- **Russia:** [Science and Innovation](#)

Teaching/Research grant. One or two semesters (9 months maximum) depending on appropriate visa and registration support.

Three grants available. **Open to all levels of scholars, except early career.** Ph.D. (or other terminal degree) required.

- **Ukraine:** [Economics or Business Administration](#)

Teaching or Teaching Research. Five to ten month grant. Number of grants varies each year. Only applications in **Business**

Administration and Economics will be considered. Open to all levels of scholars, except early career.



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



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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?



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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



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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



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Review Process and Timeline



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