



Harvard College

Fulbright Grant

2022-2023 Application Instructions for Institutional Review

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Fulbright U.S. Student Program is the largest U.S. exchange program offering opportunities for students and young professionals to undertake international graduate study, advanced research, university teaching, and primary and secondary school teaching worldwide. Fulbrighters meet, work, live with, and learn from the people of the host country, sharing daily experiences. The program facilitates cultural exchange through direct interaction on an individual basis in the classroom, field, home, and in routine tasks, allowing the grantee to gain an appreciation of others' viewpoints, beliefs, and practices. The grantee will interact with their hosts on a one-to-one basis in an atmosphere of openness, academic integrity, and intellectual freedom, thereby promoting mutual understanding.

Program length, dates, and other characteristics vary by country. Please consult the country summary for details. These can be found on the [Fulbright website](#).

Eligibility:

Applicants must be U.S. citizens and graduating Harvard College seniors.

College alumni not currently affiliated with a graduate institution must apply through the "At-Large" process which allows candidates to skip the institutional review process. At-Large applications are submitted directly through the Fulbright website by the October deadline. When prompted for a university affiliation, At-Large candidates should indicate that they have none.

College alumni who are currently studying at a graduate institution must apply through that institution's review process, and must adhere to any early deadlines established by that institution.

Benefits:

Approximately 1,900 awards are granted annually in all fields of study and in more than 140 countries worldwide. Awards cover round-trip transportation, room & board (based on the cost of living in the host country), incidental costs, and accident & sickness health benefits. In some countries, awards may also include book and research allowances, full or partial tuition, and language study programs.

Selection Criteria:

- Quality and feasibility of the proposal as described in the Statement of Grant Purpose.
- Academic or professional record.
- Personal qualifications.
- Language preparation.
- Extent to which the candidate and the project will help to advance the Fulbright aim of promoting mutual understanding among nations through engagement in the host community.
- Ability of the supervising agencies abroad to arrange/confirm supervision and facilitate research clearance, if necessary.
- Requirements of the program in individual countries. (In some countries, advanced-degree candidates are preferred, and in some countries, certain fields of study are not recommended.)

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All Harvard College seniors intending to apply for the Fulbright must submit a formal draft of their Statement of Grant Purpose ahead of the full application deadline for institutional review. This draft should be submitted via [CARAT](#). Abbreviated instructions for the Statement of Grant Purpose are as follows (full instructions can be found on the [Fulbright website](#)):

Academic/Research Grant

This 2-page document outlines the Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How of what you are proposing for your Fulbright year. A strong, feasible, and compelling project is the most important component of a successful Fulbright application. The first step is to familiarize yourself with the program summary for your host country.

The program design will vary somewhat depending upon the country and the field of study. The proposal should indicate a clear commitment to and description of how you will engage with the host country community, as well as demonstrate that the research/study experience is unique and essential to that community. Format: Single spaced, 12-point Times New Roman, 1-inch margins.

Candidates interested in applying for the National Geographic Storytelling supplemental grant should also submit a one-page Storytelling Proposal that outlines how they would use storytelling techniques to expand upon their Fulbright study/research project proposal and deepen the impact of their project.

English Teaching Assistantship Grant

This 1-page document outlines why you are interested in teaching English to non-native speakers as well as why you have chosen to apply to a particular country. You should describe clearly how your previous teaching experiences inform what you will bring to the classroom in the host country.

The proposal should indicate a clear commitment to and description of how you will engage with the host country community. If an ancillary project is so indicated in the host country ETA description, please describe briefly. Format: Single spaced, 12-point Times New Roman, 1-inch margins.

Arts Grant

This 2-page document outlines the Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How of what you are proposing for your Fulbright year. Developing a strong, feasible and compelling project is the most important aspect of a successful Fulbright application. The first step is to familiarize yourself with the program summary for the host country.

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Once your draft Statement of Grant Purpose has been approved by the Office of Undergraduate Research and Fellowships, you may submit your full application on the Fulbright website. URAF will be able to “un-submit” your application for editing purposes after your institutional review has been conducted.

- Fill out and submit your full Fulbright application.

Using the [Fulbright application site](#), complete and submit the official application by the deadline listed above. This deadline also applies to your language evaluation, all three letters of recommendation, transcript(s), and affiliation letters. These must all be submitted online by the deadline.

- A few things to note:
 1. At this stage, unofficial transcripts can be downloaded from my.harvard.edu and then uploaded to the Fulbright website. However, before the final deadline to submit your application to the national committee in October, you are encouraged to submit your official transcript which must be ordered through the Registrar's Office. (Please note: this can take up to a week.)
 - a. If you studied abroad and received Harvard credit, you must have evidence of your study on your Harvard transcript. If your transcript does not yet reflect your study abroad credit, a letter certifying your participation in a study abroad program can be acquired the Office for International Education (oiie@fas.harvard.edu). Please give several days' notice when requesting a letter from OIE.
 2. Concerning the language evaluation, from the Fulbright website:
 - a. “For programs where language skills are required, you must submit both a Language Self Evaluation [Form 7] and a Foreign Language Evaluation Form [Form 8], which is completed by a professional language teacher. Submission of both forms is mandatory, even if you have advanced skills or native speaker ability. Failure to submit the forms may affect your eligibility.
 - b. For programs where language skills are recommended but are not required, if you possess some language skills you should submit both a Language Self Evaluation and a Foreign Language Evaluation Form, which is completed by a professional language teacher. It will be advantageous to have your language ability documented, even though it is not required.
 - c. For programs in countries where English is one of the national languages, you do not need to submit any foreign language forms unless a foreign language is required for your project.”
 3. Students are advised to “not include any bibliographies, publications, citations, etc., except those that will fit in the two-page limit.”

If you have questions about any of this information or other aspects of your application, please contact us at fellowships@fas.harvard.edu or (617) 495-5095.