U.S. Student Fulbright Program

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What is the U.S. Student Fulbright Program?

Founded in 1946, the U.S. Student Fulbright program is a government-supported international scholarly exchange program. This highly competitive opportunity helps students and recent graduates get experience teaching or conducting research abroad. Some Fulbright awards also support U.S. students pursuing graduate degrees at international universities.

Who is eligible to apply?

U.S. citizens who are recent graduates and young professionals with less than 5 years of experience are welcome to apply. You must be in good health and hold a bachelor’s degree. Doctorate holders and advanced doctoral students should consider the Fulbright Scholar Program instead.

How do you apply?

All applicants must complete an online form and submit supporting documents before cycle deadlines in early fall. Applying through a U.S. institution (instead of “At Large”) will help you prepare the best possible application. Fulbright programs vary greatly, and many require a letter of affiliation with your potential institution. All applications require a polished Statement of Grant Purpose and Personal Statement. For these reasons, you should begin preparing your application in the spring before you apply.
Timeline:

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<td>Spring/Summer</td>
<td>Meet with UTEP Fulbright Adviser, select program, prepare materials</td>
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Now what?

1. Explore program options at: [https://us.fulbrightonline.org/countries/regions](https://us.fulbrightonline.org/countries/regions)

2. Answer these questions:
   - Where do you want to go? Why?
   - Do you want an Open Study/Research, English Teaching Assistant, or special program Award? Why?

3. Discuss Fulbright with your mentor(s) and begin drafting your Statement of Grant Purpose and Personal Statement.

4. Email jawaggoner@utep.edu to schedule a meeting with the UTEP Fulbright Program Adviser, J. Aaron Waggoner, Ph.D.
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