



**United States Department of State**

*Washington, D.C. 20520*

Dr. Heather Wilson  
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University of Texas at El Paso  
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Dear President Wilson,

Congratulations on University of Texas at El Paso's designation as a 2022 Fulbright HSI Leader. As one of 43 Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) honored for demonstrating noteworthy engagement with the Fulbright Program by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), University of Texas at El Paso exemplifies a deep commitment to international exchange and to building lasting connections between the people of the United States and the people of other countries.

The State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs established the Fulbright HSI Leader designation in 2021 to recognize the strong partnerships between the Fulbright Program and selected HSIs, and to encourage all HSIs to increase engagement with Fulbright. This initiative is part of our longstanding commitment to build diversity and inclusion within the Fulbright Program and within all of our international exchange programs.

Because Fulbright HSI Leader status is based on participation across the range of Fulbright awards and on-campus engagement, I thank your entire team for their hard work. I encourage you to expand the impact of Fulbright on your campus by utilizing all of our short- and long-term opportunities for your faculty, students, and administrators. To assist you in sharing this good news throughout your campus and community, we are sending resources to your institution's communications office and to Fulbright Program stakeholders on campus.

As a diplomat, I love the Fulbright Program because it supports changemakers and fosters global cooperation. Fulbrighters make the world a better place in classrooms and countries worldwide.

University of Texas at El Paso's designation as a 2022 Fulbright HSI Institutional Leader recognizes your dedication to promoting global engagement and mutual understanding among peoples and nations. Thank you and again, congratulations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Antony Blinken". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Antony J. Blinken  
Secretary of State