



## Fulbright U.S. Student Program 2023-24

### Overview

The [Fulbright U.S. Student Program](#) offers approximately 2,200 annual awards for recipients to study, conduct research, or teach English in over 140 countries for up to one year. The program aims to increase mutual understanding between the people of the U.S. and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge and skills. Selection is based on the applicant's academic or professional record, language preparation, the feasibility of the proposed study project, and personal qualifications. Program statistics are available [here](#). Candidates may begin online applications [here](#).

### Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- U.S. citizens at the time of application
- Hold a bachelor's degree and have not earned a PhD before the grant start date (Fall 2023)
- Have sufficient proficiency in the host country language to communicate and carry out proposed study/research/teaching duties. Please note, required language proficiency varies by country.

### Grant Types

There are two basic kinds of programs as follows:

- [Study/Research Grants \(S/R\)](#) provide round trip travel, maintenance for the tenure of the award, a limited research allowance, tuition waivers (if applicable), supplemental health insurance, and possible language or orientation course for up to one year abroad. Competitive applicants will have a strong research proposal that necessitates research in the country being applied to, and have secured affiliation with an institution in country, which will feasibly allow the research to take place.
- [English Teaching Assistantships \(ETA's\)](#) provide round trip travel, maintenance, supplemental health insurance and orientation courses if applicable. ETA's provide assistance to local English teachers abroad, by helping teach English for approximately 20 hours/week while serving as cultural ambassadors for the U.S. The age and academic level of the students varies by country, ranging from kindergarten to university level.

### Timeline

- March 31, 2022 – Application opens
- April and May 2022 – UCD **Fulbright Friday** Webinar Series (See below for details)
- September 8, 2022 – UCD deadline for S/R candidates to submit the completed online application (including letters of recommendation and affiliation, language evaluations, transcripts)
- September 12, 2022 – UCD deadline for ETA candidates to submit the completed online application (including recommendations, language evaluations, and transcripts)
- September 14-16, 2022 – S/R candidates campus interviews
- September 19-21, 2022 – ETA candidates campus interviews
- October 11, 2021 – National deadline for Fulbright U.S. Student Program to receive applications

## UCD Fulbright Friday Webinar Series:

To support candidates, the following webinars are being offered during Spring Quarter. All webinars will include Q&A:

- **Fulbright Overview** – This 45-minute webinar will provide a general overview including program aims, funding provided, application process and timeline, and how to be competitive | April 8<sup>th</sup> @ 12pm PST | [RSVP here](#)
- **Program Types** – This 30-minute webinar will provide an in-depth look at the 3 main program types: Study, Research, and English Teaching Assistants | April 15<sup>th</sup> @ 12pm PST | [RSVP here](#)
- **World Regions** – This 30-minute webinar - followed by Q&A - will provide an in-depth look at the six world regions: East Asia/Pacific, Europe/Eurasia, Middle East/North Africa, South/Central Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa, and the Western Hemisphere | April 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 12pm PST | [RSVP here](#)
- **Cultural Engagement** – Cultural engagement is a central part of the Fulbright program. This 30-minute webinar will explore ways to become culturally engaged and develop mutual understanding, along with how to present this information in your application | April 29<sup>th</sup> @ 12pm PST | [RSVP here](#)
- **Application Statements** – This 30-minute webinar focuses on the Statement of Grant Purpose and Personal Statements that are required components of the application | May 6<sup>th</sup> @ 12pm PST | [RSVP here](#)
- **Language Evaluations** – This 20-minute webinar focuses on the language evaluations required by some countries. We will cover when you need a language evaluation and how to obtain one | May 13<sup>th</sup> @ 12pm PST | [RSVP here](#)
- **Letters of Recommendation** – This 20-minute webinar will explore the three required recommendations in-depth including who should provide recommendations, what they should say and how to obtain them | May 20<sup>th</sup> @ 12pm PST | [RSVP here](#)
- **Letters of Affiliation** – This 20-minute webinar focuses on the letter of affiliation that is required for research and study candidates. This will cover what the letter should contain, who should write the letter, and how to obtain a letter of affiliation | May 27<sup>th</sup> @ 12pm PST | [RSVP here](#)
- **Submission and Interviews** – This 15-minute webinar will cover the process of submitting your application by the campus deadline, what the campus interview will entail, and the process of revising your application post-interview for submission by the national deadline | June 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 12pm PST | [RSVP here](#)

## Advising

Candidates should send their full availability, CV/resume, and list of Fulbright countries/programs they are considering to Prestigious Scholarship Advisor Scott Palmer [scpalmer@ucdavis.edu](mailto:scpalmer@ucdavis.edu) to schedule advising.