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Award Autogenerated Code
10318-IC

Region
Europe and Eurasia

Country
Iceland

Award Type
Fulbright Scholar Award

Number of Recipients
Approximately 1

Stipend

$4,000 per month or $4,500 per month for grantees with a dependent or dependents, payable monthly.

A dependent must stay in Iceland for at least 80% of the grant period to be eligible for a dependent supplement.

The grant is denominated in U.S. dollars but paid in Icelandic krona (ISK), according to the current exchange rate.

The grant is intended to cover living costs in Iceland.

No separate housing allowance provided (grantees pay for housing out of the stipend). Grantees are responsible for arranging their own housing, but the host institution is expected to assist the grantee in finding housing and settling in. Host institutions may in some instances be able to provide on-campus housing.

Estimated Travel and Relocation Allowance

Travel allowance is a lump sum $1,500, payable with the first grant payment.
Baggage allowance is $400, payable at the end of the grant period.

No receipt is needed for travel and baggage allowance.
All allowances are denominated in U.S. dollars but paid in ISK, according to the current exchange rate.

Dependent Tuition Allowance

Children can attend primary and lower-secondary public schools at little or no cost. A limited stipend for tuition or other costs associated with bringing children to Iceland may be available, maximum 5,000 USD per grantee.

Candidate Profile

Academics, all levels including early career

Activity Type
Teaching/Research

Application Deadline
Wednesday, September 15, 2021

Award Activity

The visiting scholar will be expected to teach at the undergraduate and/or graduate level, with topics to be chosen by the scholar and the host collaboratively. Likely, additional activities will include advising students who are carrying out research in the scholar’s field of expertise and assistance with curriculum development. The schedule will allow the scholar to undertake his or her own research in parallel.
Award Length
Approximately four months

Award Dates
Grants will generally begin in either late August 2022 or early January 2023.

Locations
The scholar may be affiliated with the University of Iceland Centre for Arctic Policy Studies, the University of Akureyri Polar Law Program, and other Arctic Programs.

Depending on the field and specialization, the scholar might spend part of his or her time in the capital area and part in the north.

Flex Option
No

Discipline Type
Applications are sought in all disciplines

Disciplines
Economics
Environmental Sciences
Law
Political Science
Public Administration
Public Health
Sociology

Areas of Interest
The grant is open to scholars in a wide variety of fields, as they relate to the Arctic. Preference will be given to scholars competent in Arctic affairs and international relations, international law, security, natural resource studies, history and culture, economic and social development, gender studies, health, environmental and climate change or natural resources & development.

Special Features
This grant is funded by the Icelandic Ministry for Foreign Affairs and will give the scholar access to Ministry officials as appropriate. The scholar will be asked to participate in appropriate events sponsored by the Ministry.

The scholar will be provided with an office at host universities and given tours of relevant research institutes. The host departments will give every assistance to the scholar and ensure that he or she is introduced to the Icelandic academic community, both formally and informally. The scholar will be invited to give lectures at appropriate conferences and meetings, and can expect various social invitations.
The host institutions will assist the scholar in finding appropriate housing to rent, which is convenient to the universities and the city centers.

**Degree Requirements**
Ph.D. (or other terminal degree) required

**Additional Qualification Information**

Preference will be given to academics, but qualified professionals outside of academia will be considered.

**Invitation Requirement**
A letter of invitation is optional.

**Additional Comments**

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**Helpful Links**

- University of Iceland [5]
- University of Akureyri [6]
- Stefansson Arctic Institute [7]
- West Nordic Studies [8]
- Institute of International Affairs [9]
- Environment and Natural Resources Program [10]
- Iceland's Arctic Policy [11]

**Multi-Country/Area Award**
No

**Award Length Filter**
Three to five months

**Invitation Requirement Additional Information**

It will strengthen the application if the applicant has reached out to potential hosts and can demonstrate interest in the project.

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**Special Award Benefits**

The scholar will be invited to monthly grantee enrichment events provided by the Fulbright Commission during the academic year. Also, the scholar will be taken out to lunch at the beginning and end of the grant period for briefing, debriefing.

Special funding for disabled grantees
Funding is available for US Fulbright scholars to Iceland with a disability, be it a structural or functional impairment or activity/participation limitation, that entails additional costs that are not covered specifically through the Fulbright Program. Funding may be available for a wide range of disabilities, including, for example, hearing, vision or movement impairment. The funding could, for example, be used to assist with specialized housing needs, in-country transport or specialized assistance. The extra funding amount will depend on need and will be decided by the Commission after consultation with the scholar and can be expected to be between 2.000 and 9.000 USD. Funding is provided through the Bruce A. Fowler Mobility Fund.

**Language Proficiency Requirements**
None, English is sufficient.
Career Profile
Artists
Early Career Academics
Mid-Career Academics
Professionals
Senior Academics

Scholars selected for this award will be required to:

- Conduct a research project of the applicant’s choosing
- Teach graduate and/or undergraduate courses of the applicant’s choosing

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