

Fulbright-British Library Eccles Centre Scholar Award (North American Studies)

Award Autogenerated Code

10688-UK

Region

Europe and Eurasia

Country

United Kingdom

Award Type

Fulbright Scholar Award

Number of Recipients

1

Stipend

£2,890 per month (about \$3,958 as of January 2021). All grants are intended as a contribution toward travel and general expenses incurred during the grant period. Grantees are responsible for arranging their own housing and may contact their host institution's accommodation or international office for assistance.

No additional funding provided for dependents.

Candidate Profile

Academics, all levels including early career

Activity Type

Professional Project

Research

Application Deadline

Closed

Award Activity

The award will be offered to a U.S. Scholar who will undertake research at the British Library's Eccles Centre for American Studies making intensive use of the Library's collections relating to North America (U.S., Canada, the Caribbean) for a period of six months. If available, the scholar may have the opportunity to take part in program events and/or seminars.

The Eccles Centre for American Studies ^[1] works to increase awareness and use of the British Library's extensive collections of books, manuscripts, journals, newspapers, maps, sound recordings, and other materials related to the United States, Canada, and the Caribbean.

The Eccles Centre is a springboard for developing ideas and advancing research. Our goal is to connect users with the British Library's North American collections. We work with promising talent to expand their thinking and uncover new inspirations. In doing so we bring together minds spanning the creative and academic disciplines.

The Centre's programme includes a range of events designed to illuminate all aspects of North American literature, history, politics and culture. We nurture our growing community of talented writers, thinkers, and creatives through [a range of awards](#) ^[2] which enable great work to happen. Our range of [study resources](#) ^[3] are designed to help inspire those exploring the British Library's Canadian, American, and Caribbean collections.

Find out how previous Fulbright Scholars have made use of their time at the British Library [here](#) ^[4].

Award Length

Six months

Award Dates

Grants may begin any time after September 1, 2022, but before April 30, 2023.

Locations

The Eccles Centre for American Studies at the British Library ^[1]: London, England, UK.

Flex Option

No

Discipline Type

Only applications in the following disciplines will be considered

Disciplines

American Studies
Anthropology
Archaeology
Architecture
Area Studies, non- U.S.
Art History
Arts
Creative Writing
Dance
Drama/Theater
Economics
Education
Fashion
Film/Cinema Studies
Gender Studies
Geography
History, American
History, non- U.S.
International Relations
Library Science
Linguistics
Literature, American
Literature, non- U.S.
Museum Studies
Music
Philosophy
Political Science
Religious Studies
Sociology

Areas of Interest

Any field of North American Studies relating to the peoples and cultures, histories and futures of the USA, Canada, and/or the Caribbean. The Centre would particularly welcome applications involving the following priority research areas:

- North American and Caribbean Indigenous Studies
- Literary, theatrical and artistic connections in Canada, the Caribbean, and the United States
- Book history and arts in North America
- Pacific politics and geopolitics
- Migration in/from/through Canada, the Caribbean, and the United States
- LGBTQ in Canada, the Caribbean, and the United States

However, these are not exclusive: any topics related to North American studies, broadly conceived, will be considered

Special Features

Scholars in the UK participate in a wide range of academic, cultural, and social events and benefit from a variety of additional opportunities provided by the Commission; see Special Award Benefits section for more details.

Degree Requirements

Ph.D. (or other terminal degree) required

Additional Qualification Information

Must have a Ph.D. or equivalent terminal degree (including a master's, depending on the field) as appropriate, by the start of the proposed grant period.

The Fulbright Commission seeks to identify potential and established leaders of academic, artistic or professional excellence who will make significant contributions toward the discussion and development of key issues in their field of study.

Invitation Requirement

A letter of invitation is optional.

Additional Comments

Candidates should have strong reasons for wishing to pursue the proposed project in the UK and a clear idea of what they wish to accomplish during their time as a Fulbright Scholar, not only academically, but also in terms of reaching out to the wider community and understanding their host country and culture.

Short-listed applicants will be invited to interview with the US-UK Fulbright Commission through a Zoom video call in January 2022.

Helpful Links

[The British Library](#) ^[5]

[The Eccles Centre](#) ^[6]

[US-UK Fulbright Commission](#) ^[8]

[Fulbright British Library Scholar Award](#) ^[9]

Multi-Country/Area Award

No

Award Length Filter

Six to 10 months

Invitation Requirement Additional Information

While it is not a requirement to have an affiliation letter for this award it is strongly recommended that applicants get in touch with their proposed host department and applications that include an affiliation letter will be much more competitive. Email from host will suffice as letter of invitation.

To request a letter of invitation, contact Dr Cara Rodway, Deputy Head of the Eccles Centre for American Studies at the British Library – telephone: +44 (0)20 7412 7757; email: cara.rodway@bl.uk ^[10].

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Special Award Benefits

Scholars are provided with a small travel allowance and accommodation to attend certain Fulbright Commission enrichment events. Scholars in the UK will have the opportunity to participate in a range of events, and benefit from a variety of additional opportunities provided by the Commission. A three-day Fulbright Orientation programme takes place in London in mid-September; a three-day Fulbright Forum highlights a specific place or region of the UK each January (this also serves as an orientation for scholars arriving in January); and a Fulbright Farewell Conference is planned around the end of June (this will be held in Scotland in 2021).

All Fulbright Scholar grantees must obtain a UK Tier 5 (Temporary Worker – Government Authorised Exchange) visa to participate in the Fulbright program in the UK. The Commission sponsors the Scholar's Tier 5 visa.

Scholars receive free institutional memberships with [The National Trust/Royal Oak Foundation](#) ^[12] and [The Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures & Commerce \(RSA\)](#) ^[13]. Scholars are also offered a free Elsevier scholar support package, which includes access to the entire suite of SciVerse products and a wide range of online journals (including The Lancet).

Scholars are asked to deliver a public lecture or other event at a location other than their host institution. They may also be offered the opportunity to deliver a Lecture at [Gresham College](#) ^[14] and [Benjamin Franklin House](#) ^[15] in London during their grant period in the UK.

Fulbright Scholars will have membership of the UK Fulbright Alumni Network and access to Fulbrighter, a networking platform which enables grantees to connect, network, engage and collaborate with Fulbright alumni and grantees around the world

Depending on the timing of the visit, scholars may also be able to attend the annual Fulbright EU-NATO Seminar held in Belgium and Luxembourg (in February) and the annual Fulbright Seminar in Berlin (in March).

During their grant period, Fulbright Scholars in Europe have the opportunity to apply for a travel grant to support short-term (up to one week) travel to other countries in the EUR region for activities such as lectures, workshops, graduate or faculty seminars, master classes or recitals, curricular advising or panel presentations. Though scholars may pursue invitations for short-term activities in other European countries once notified that they have been selected for a Fulbright grant, Scholars

may only apply for the European inter-country travel grant funds when in the UK and during their Fulbright grant period.

Language Proficiency Requirements

None, English is sufficient.

Career Profile

Artists

Early Career Academics

Mid-Career Academics

Professionals

Senior Academics

Scholars selected for this award can choose to:

- Conduct a professional and/or artistic project
- Conduct a research project of the applicant's choosing

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[1] <https://www.bl.uk/eccles-centre>

[2] <https://www.bl.uk/eccles-centre/fellowships-and-awards>

[3] <https://www.bl.uk/eccles-centre/resources>

[4] <https://www.bl.uk/eccles-centre/fellowships-and-awards/fulbright-scholarship>

[5] <http://www.bl.uk/>

[6] <http://www.bl.uk/eccles/>

[7] <http://www.fulbright.org.uk/going-to-the-uk/scholar-awards>

[8] <http://www.fulbright.org.uk/>

[9] <http://www.fulbright.org.uk/going-to-the-uk/scholar-awards/awards-available/british-library>

[10] <mailto:cara.rodway@bl.uk>

[11] <https://awards.cies.org/award-years/2022-2023-awards>

[12] <https://www.royal-oak.org/>

[13] <https://www.thersa.org/>

[14] <https://www.gresham.ac.uk/>

[15] <https://benjaminfranklinhouse.org/>