Fulbright-Schuman Innovation Award

Award Autogenerated Code
9856-MC

Region
Global/Multi-country
Europe and Eurasia

Country
Multi-country
Austria
Belgium
Bulgaria
Croatia
Czech Republic
Denmark
Estonia
European Union
Finland
France
Germany
Greece
Hungary
Ireland
Italy
Latvia
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Malta
Netherlands
Poland
Portugal
Romania
Slovak Republic
Slovenia
Spain
Sweden

Number of Grants
Approximately 2

Stipend
$3,323 USD per month (the maximum grant amount, including all other award allowances, cannot exceed $32,272 USD).
Note: Scholars will be paid in euros and amount may fluctuate a bit due to the exchange rate.

Estimated Travel and Relocation Allowance
One-time travel allowance of $2,215 (for the grantee only).
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Candidate Profile
Professionals
Academics, all levels including early career
Postdoctoral
Activity
Research
Application Deadline
Tuesday, September 15, 2020
Grant Activity

The Innovation Award is designed to support work that can create better transatlantic understanding of issues at the heart of the U.S.-EU relationship, particularly at the intersection of policy and technology. The 2021-22 Innovation Award will give preference to proposals focused on EU or U.S.-EU approaches to innovative technologies and business models and their integration with new and existing policies and regulations. Successful proposals should address research topics focusing on the intersection of technological innovation and policy, such as but not limited to data privacy and protection. The policy-oriented research funded by the grant should be of common importance for the U.S.-EU relationship and/or EU affairs and tenable in any one or two EU Member States.

Candidates are welcome to submit applications affiliated with any appropriate institutions, including European universities, governments, non-profit organizations and think tanks. Proposals will be considered both from candidates who plan to be based primarily in one member state as well as candidates who will divide their time between host institutions in two or more EU member states. Candidates planning to be based in one member state should ensure that their proposed research still demonstrates a pan-European perspective. On the other hand, candidates planning to divide up their time in multiple member states should address the feasibility of these plans and should consider visa requirements for the countries involved.

Candidates are responsible for arranging their own placement, including letters of invitation from any hosts.

Grant Length
Three to nine months, with preference for projects of four to six months duration.

Grant Dates
Grants must occur between September 2021 and June 2022.

Locations
European Union Countries.

The United Kingdom will not be participating in the Fulbright Schuman Program.

Flex Option
No

Discipline Type
Applications are sought in all disciplines

Areas of Interest

Applicants to the Fulbright-Schuman Innovation Award may come from any field of study, but should make the case for the innovative nature of their research. Proposals should sit at the intersection of technology and policy; as such, possible specializations include: Artificial Intelligence, Biology and Bionic Technology, Business, Communications, Computer Science, Cyber Security, Data Privacy and Protection, Engineering, Health and Medical Technology, Information Sciences, Political Science, Public Administration.

Special Features

Fulbright Schuman scholars are welcomed by the Fulbright Commission or local post in the country or countries where they are based, and receive additional country-specific pre-departure support. While in country, grantees are incorporated into local programming, including in-country orientation, cultural activities, and alumni associations. In addition, grantees are supported administratively by the Fulbright Commission in Brussels throughout their grant. They receive round-trip travel to and participation in the annual Fulbright Seminar on the European Union and NATO hosted by the Fulbright Commission in Brussels, Belgium, where they are invited to attend a mid-year meeting with the U.S. Mission to the EU and European Commission officials.

Degree Requirements
Ph.D. (or other terminal degree) not required
Additional Qualification Information

In addition to traditional research scholars and postdoctoral candidates, administrators looking to exchange best practices with their European counterparts are also welcome to apply. Professionals such as policy-makers, policy analysts and researchers at think tanks, non-profit organizations (NGOs), associations, learned societies, foundations, decision-makers at state or federal government offices, and individuals in industry or the media with relevant professional experience are also encouraged to apply.

Additional Language Requirement

Host country language ability commensurate with the requirements of the project.

Invitation Requirement

A letter of invitation is required.

Additional Comments

This award is administered by the Fulbright Commission in Brussels, Belgium. For questions, please contact info@fulbright.be [1]. Applicants should note that the responsibility of obtaining a visa (both for the grantee and for any dependents) lies with the applicant, not Fulbright Commission staff. Grantees should therefore carefully look into visa issues in advance and allow plenty of time for the application process.

Helpful Links

- Fulbright Schuman Program [2]
- Fulbright Schuman Innovation Grants [3]
- Fulbright Belgium on YouTube [4]
- EURAXESS - Researchers in Motion [5]
- U.S. Mission to the EU [6]

Multi-Country/Area Award

Yes

Grant Length Filter

Three to five months
Six to 10 months

Invitation Requirement Additional Information

Candidates need an invitation letter from every country in which they wish to do research.

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Countries Overview

The Fulbright-Schuman European Union Program offers grants for policy-oriented research proposals that address topics of common importance for the U.S.-EU relationship and/or EU affairs and are tenable in any one or multiple European Union Member State(s).* These grants are self-placing and allow grantees to choose their own institution(s) of affiliation. Proposals are invited in a wide range of fields relevant to U.S.-EU relations, EU policy, or EU institutions. In addition to traditional academic scholars, professionals such as policy-makers, policy analysts and researchers at think tanks, non-profit organizations (NGOs), associations, learned societies, foundations, decision-makers at state or federal government offices, and individuals in industry or the media with relevant professional experience are also encouraged to apply. Specifically, the Fulbright-Schuman Innovation Award is designed to support work that can create better transatlantic understanding of issues at the heart of the U.S.-EU relationship, particularly at the intersection of policy and technology.

Fulbright-Schuman awards include: the Fulbright-Schuman Chair and the Fulbright Schuman Postdoctoral Award at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy. (See awards in Italy.), the generalized Fulbright-Schuman European Union Affairs Program, and the Fulbright-Schuman Innovation Award.

Multiple country program staff

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Special Award Benefits
The grantee will receive round-trip travel to and participation in the annual Fulbright Seminar on the European Union and NATO hosted by the Fulbright Commission in Brussels, Belgium in February 2022.

Language Proficiency Requirements
None, English is sufficient. However, feasibility of conducting the project must be demonstrated in the project statement

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[1] mailto:info@fulbright.be
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