The Iceland-Greece Joint Award on Economic Crisis Management

Award Autogenerated Code
9876-MC

Region
Global/Multi-country
Europe and Eurasia

Country
Multi-country
Greece
Iceland

Number of Grants
1

Stipend

In Iceland: $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 are responsible for arranging their own housing, but the host institution is expected to assist the grantee in finding housing and settling in. Some hosts institutions may in some instances be able to offer on-campus housing.

In Greece: $2,100 per month for grantee plus one time settling-in fee $1,200 and allowance for: extra luggage $200 (grantee only), for Greek lessons $450 (grantee only) and books $350 (grantee only). Slightly adjusted stipends for scholars with dependents if they are accompanied for at least 80% of their grant time. The base stipend amount will increase per dependent for up to two dependents, with a maximum amount of $2,500.

Estimated Travel and Relocation Allowance

Iceland: Travel allowance is $1,500 for the grantee only, payable with the first grant payment. Baggage allowance is $400, payable at the end of the grant period. All allowances are denominated in U.S. dollars but paid in ISK, according to the current exchange rate.

Greece: A one-time airfare allowance for travel between the USA, Iceland, Greece and return flight to the USA: up to $1,500 for the scholar plus up to $1,000 for one dependent. Travel details must first be approved by Fulbright Greece before flights are finalized. Airfare must be round-trip originating and ending in the USA with a connecting flight between Iceland and Greece or Greece and Iceland (depending on first receiving country). Airfare must be booked in time to span the entire grant period in both countries. Penalty fee coverage for flight rescheduling is not possible.

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.

Greece: Up to $3,000 for primary and/or secondary private school.

Candidate Profile

Academics, all levels including early career

Activity
Research

Application Deadline
Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Grant Activity
The crash of 2008 had wide ranging effects on Greece, Iceland and the U.S., which each faced their own challenges based on different political, economic and societal realities. Each country had its own unique responses to the crisis, but there are lessons to be learned from comparing policy responses – legal, economic and/or societal.

The grantee will do comparative research based on his or her area of expertise and also look forward to the lessons to be learned, not only by these three countries, but with reference to the wider international community in terms of future policymaking. Grantees may build on existing research that has already been done in the aftermath of the 2008 crash, but should undertake original research that adds to the current academic debate in a meaningful way. Publication and a wide dissemination of results is expected as a result of the grant.

**Grant Length**
The grant is for a total of six months. It is offered jointly by Iceland and Greece, with 3 months to be spent in each country. The grant can start either in Greece or Iceland.

**Grant Dates**
Grants should begin no earlier than 1 September 2021. Grants must be completed by end of June 2022. The grantee may go directly from one country to the other or return to the U.S. for a brief period in between visits to the two countries, as long as the grant is completed within the grant period.

**Locations**
Affiliation with any university, research organization or other appropriate partners in Iceland and Greece.

**Flex Option**
No

**Discipline Type**
Only applications in the following disciplines will be considered

**Disciplines**
- Economics
- History, non-U.S.
- Political Science
- Public Administration
- Sociology

**Areas of Interest**
For example: macro-economics, public policy, international relations, culture or other related discipline.

Interdisciplinary projects are eligible.

**Special Features**
Grantees will be invited to Fulbright activities in each host country during the grant period.

Local hosts help the scholar to settle in, provide introductions and in general provide assistance to ensure a productive and enjoyable Fulbright experience.

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

**Invitation Requirement**
A letter of invitation is preferred

**Additional Comments**
Contact at the Fulbright Commission in Reykjavik, Iceland: fulbright@fulbright.is

**Helpful Links**

**Universities and affiliated research organizations in Iceland:**
- University of Iceland
- University of Akureyri
- Reykjavik University
- Bifröst University

**Information about Greece:**

Study in Greece

Facts about Greece

The Greek Educational System

Arts and Culture

Travel Issues

Individuals with Disabilities

Multi-Country/Area Award
Yes
Grant Length Filter
Six to 10 months

Invitation Requirement Additional Information

Information on possible hosts in Iceland can be found in the links below. If applicants require assistance in finding appropriate affiliation in Iceland, they are welcome to contact the Fulbright Commission in Iceland.

Applicants are encouraged to arrange affiliation(s) in Greece and submit letters of invitation indicating name/position of host and details on collaborating organization/institution. Information about Greek universities and awards can be found at the Fulbright Foundation in Greece website.

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Countries Overview

Iceland is a small Nordic country, an island republic in the North Atlantic, between the U.S. and the European mainland. Iceland is technologically advanced, English is widely spoken and Americans find Icelandic society and culture relatively easy to navigate. Iceland provides very interesting research opportunities in many fields and as a small, highly technologically advanced country, Iceland is ideal for many types of research. English is widely spoken and much used in academia. Scholars can generally expect good access to people, institutions and information for research purposes. Usually, U.S. Scholars so inclined can easily find Icelandic colleagues eager to collaborate on research.

Iceland has spectacular nature and offers scholars an opportunity for unique outdoor experiences, in addition to a vibrant cultural scene and a cuisine that has been gaining international recognition. There is a good public school system, and scholars with children have generally had positive experiences. Since the Fulbright Program in Iceland is relatively small, the Commission is able to maintain close ties with Scholars during their stay and provide a sense of community among Fulbright Scholars. There are monthly grantee activities sponsored by the Commission, in addition to access to Fulbright alumni events and other social activities.

In Greece the U.S. Fulbright Scholar Program is an important component of the Fulbright Foundation's mission to bring outstanding scholars from a wide variety of disciplines to Greek institutions of higher learning and state or private organizations in order to promote cultural and educational ties between the two countries through scholarly interaction and collaboration. Applicants are encouraged to arrange affiliation(s) in Greece and submit letters of invitation indicating name/position of host and details on collaborating organization/institution. Facts about Greece, the Greek educational system and information on Greek universities can be found at the Fulbright Foundation in Greece website. English is sufficient for teaching/lecturing; however, knowledge of Greek is useful.

Iceland and Greece are ideal for those interested in comparative academic research on dealing with financial upheaval as it relates to a wide variety of fields. Both countries were heavily hit by the economic crash of 2008, but have had quite different responses and developments since then. Greece is an EU member, while Iceland is part of the European Economic Area. Iceland has a small local currency, while Greece is part of the Euro zone. There are political, cultural and societal differences, but also some similarities between the two countries. Both have strong economic and political ties with the U.S.

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Special Award Benefits

In Iceland 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 in Iceland 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

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