

Global Hidden Gems of the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Competition for 2024-25

Webinar Q&A Box Questions and Answers

These questions have been anonymized. Any question too specific to any one applicant has been removed. Questions answered live will appear only in the video recording.

Question	Answer
Is a PhD required for this program?	Not for all awards, no!
Where can we find the link to your presentation on sub-Saharan Africa?	It will be on our webinar archive on our website!
Is there a recorded video of this session that we can have later? Thanks.	Yes! We'll record for you to refer to later!
Could you spotlight/pin the ASL interpreter?	They should be pinned... please let us know if you cannot see them
How do we get this PPT?	We'll post the slides to the webinar archive after today's presentation here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/events/webinars#layout-multitab-tab-2
I assume the 2-year waiting period after completing an earlier Fulbright applies to the Global Specialist, correct? Thank you!!	Nope, only for other US Scholar Awards!
It's very quiet... is there a way to make it louder?	Is there a way to turn up your volume on your own computer speakers/headphones? Let us know if that is still difficult to hear
would like to know the best way to reach a recruiter	You can find the appropriate email address under the contact tab of each award
Are postdocs able to apply for these?	Yes!! Take a look at our post-doc awards online!
Could your colleagues put their countries in the chat?	All awards on our website have the responsible staff member listed. You can see that in any award description on the left side of the screen: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search
Are university adjunct professors eligible?	Absolutely! Moreover, as you guys are often the teaching experts, you are quite competitive for teaching and research alike.
Where will this recording be available?	On our website on the webinar archive!
Is there any assessment of the relevance of the research? How much weight is placed on this criteria, if any?	Hello! You may be evaluated by experts in your same field during U.S. peer review, but generalists during host country review will need to assess relevance as well. So there I would say to make a strong case for why your research is relevant to this specific moment

	in time for your field, the host country, your career, etc.
I am a former administrator and intend to get back into that role soon, but do not yet have a specific position in mind. (I needed a break after 2+ years of COVID campus crises.) I have been teaching throughout. Am I eligible to apply for the Education Administrator's Program?	You're welcome to contact me at iea@iie.org to confirm your eligibility. I do encourage you to review information at fulbrightscholars.org/iea as well
Good evening from Berlin and thanks for being here. I have 2 questions (which you may already be planning to address). For research/teaching awards, must those two activities deal with the same/related topics or can they be completely different? And, what is the best strategy for taking up contact with a potential host institution?	Hello! We encourage you to make a cohesive package for research/teaching in your application whenever possible. We understand there may not be a 1:1 correspondence. For best practices for finding a host institution, please see the "Letter of Invitation" section here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps
I am a practicing Psychologist and would like to know if I need to have pre-existing relationships with organizations/individuals in the host country before I can apply for a fulbright?	Many countries around the world don't require a letter of invitation and/or are offered in partnership with institutions abroad, so their contact information is listed in the award descriptions. you can see awards listed here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search
Are Emeritus Professors eligible	Yes! They are!
How do they define terminal degree?	You can find what we typically consider as terminal degrees in the degree/experience section of our eligibility criteria: https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#eligibility
Can we apply to only one specific institution in one award cycle?	Hello! Yes, you can only apply to one award per cycle, so please shop around to find the right one before you apply!
I am a Fulbright Specialist. If I complete a Specialist appointment will that have an effect on my eligibility?	You are eligible to apply for Scholar and Specialist at the same time.
So if I concluded my grant January 2023 I can apply this year for 2024-2025?	Two years must pass so you would be eligible to apply in 2025.
Will hidden gems idea apply to Global Scholars Awards (let's say if one of the countries is a bit of a hidden gem!)?	The Global Scholar award in general is very popular. It is considered as a whole award package, so not necessarily beholden to the Hidden Gem concept.
Re the time lapse of 2 years between grants: Does this policy apply to Fulbright Specialists? I just completed one brief Specialist project Dec 2022. Would I have to wait until next year to apply?	Hello! No, that will not make you ineligible. We only consider past Scholar awards specifically.
I was awarded a Fulbright for 2020/2021; due to Covid, I began this research award in Central Europe September 2021, completed January 2022. Am I eligible to apply for the 2024/2025 Fulbright Global award?	You have to wait 2 years from your last Fulbright by the application time. You can apply in 2024.
Can a person who was awarded a Fulbright as a student with a non-US nationality apply to a faculty award as a US citizen?	Yes! Now that you are a citizen, you can apply. We only consider past Scholar awards for eligibility rules, not Student awards.

Including the Global Specialist award? Sorry for the hassle, but these seem to be conflicting responses re the Global	Hello! Specialist is a different program entirely, administered by a separate firm from ours. So I do not want to mis-advise you on their policies for Global.
are retired faculty eligible for scholar award	Note that many awards open to senior academics welcome retired scholars as long as you're still active in your field. Check the award requirements section of any description for details
Are their limitations on the amount of previous time spent in the country to which we are applying? (aside from as a Fulbright scholar)	Hello! Past Scholar awards are the only thing that are absolutely considered. However, when in-country reviewers consider your application, they may prioritize those who have not spent years in their country before.
Do we need an invitation from another institution before applying? Or is that afterward?	If the award requires a invitation, you must obtain that and submit it with your application
Do you support any research seed funds?	Hello! To my knowledge, we do not. However, our Research awards do sponsor research projects.
are retired faculty eligible for Fulbright Scholar Award	yes!
My question, for when the time is right in the discussion, is whether and how to apply to engage with marginalized communities in nations that otherwise may not receive priority. For example, as a scholar of higher educ administration, I'm seeking a way to work in northern Argentina to conduct research at underfunded public universities there that serve indigenous populations, rather than metropolitan Buenos Aires.	Hello! Awards in most countries are delighted when people want to focus on areas aside from the capital. Please consult the specific award for Argentina to make sure you can go to this region specifically, but it sounds like a great proposal!
so if you are an Adjunct and are eligible to apply, I have only seen postings that ask for Asst and Assoc Profs	There are many awards around the world that don't have any requirements for having a rank as a professor. Especially if you plan to teach, you would likely be eligible for many awards! If that is required, it's always listed in the award requirements tab of any description
OK, who should I contact? Thanks so much!	Hi! Just to clarify - you do not need to wait for 2 years to pass from a Specialist grant to apply to a Scholar grant. If you are looking for information on the Specialist grant, that is separate from us.
do applicants report similar experiences from host countries with Binational Fulbright Commissions, and in countries where the Fulbright Scholar is hosted by the embassy?	Yes! Our Commissions and Posts (embassies) are great partners across the board.
Finland is my country of interest and Ukraine. But in Humanities. Is there a contact person for Finland?	All awards on our site have staff listed as the contact. Check the award description!
so my question is should I apply to one of those?	You can apply to only one award per competition cycle as long as you are eligible.
I finished my previous Fulbright Dec 2022, starting Sept 2022. So, for me to apply for 2023-24, my Fulbright should start for Jan 2024 or is it best for me to apply for 2024-2025?	Hi! The current cycle is for 24-25, the 23-24 cycle already closed.
Thanks. I looked at a few listings but they all required a PhD. Is there a way to filter requirements? I have an MS in Community Development. I was a Peace Corps	Yes! You can filter by the tabs on the left of the award search on the website.

Volunteer in Botswana, a UN Volunteer in Malawi, and a Red Cross Food Security Field Delegate in Albania.	
Are the hidden gems that are being shown on the slides specific to the discipline/award against the country name?	Many countries offer several awards, but you want to look at the eligibility, the country's interest and your expertise.
Can you identify some hidden gems for scholars or teachers in the humanities?	You'll see awards featured now that we're at this point in the presentation. Follow along with us!
For international education administrator awards, would admissions officers be considered competitive? The systems among countries are very different but it's an opportunity to examine different policies	You can see specific award descriptions - including requirements for eligible applicants - at fulbrightscholars.org/iea
Is security covers data security too?	What country?
Are there global hidden gems for creative writers?	You'll see awards featured now that we're at this point in the presentation. Follow along with us!
Are the "hidden gems" identified in a search feature if we are searching opportunities?	Not as a search function in the catalog, but note that we'll share this presentation on our webinar archive after the info session today
Will registrants receive a copy or list of these hidden gems opportunities?	You will receive the PowerPoint and recording via our webinar archive on our website!
Is required that you speak the language in the country you are doing research?	You can always find whether a language is required in the award requirements section of the description. Note that most awards around the world don't require a language other than English. Just be sure your project statement demonstrates how you'll bridge that gap if you don't speak the language
Is the Fulbright award available for professor emeritus applicants doing research?	Many awards around the world welcome emeriti/retired faculty. Look for awards open to senior academics!
Greetings from New Zealand this morning. I am finishing my student teaching abroad but will be receiving my teaching certification in July. Are there awards eligible for first year teachers?	Are you a U.S. faculty?
I was teaching until just now - apologies for being late. Was there any information about Georgia or specific awards there?	This is our first slide on awards!
Where can I find this info ----- sponsoring research projects?	www.fulbrightscholars.org
How to search for the awards that do not require a Ph.D degree? Thanks.	Here you go: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_award_multi_country=All&field_award_degree_reqs=phd_no&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
As a physician applicant, should physicians concentrate on public health and/or medical sciences as opportunities?	The discipline of your application should be the discipline of your project, not necessarily your training. Note that your application just needs to demonstrate that you're qualified to carry out what you propose!
Is it possible to schedule a meeting to ask specific questions about the most appropriate Fulbright program and location to apply for a transdisciplinary	You can join our office hours. https://apply.iie.org/portal/office_hours

art and science project relating to climate change and ocena health.	
For the opportunity in Kosovo, would you be connecting with universities there regarding military leadership and running workshop-type events? What background is required for this?	Please email me akrasniqi@iee.org and I can give you more information.
Can you address the awards as a professional? interested in West Africa and the Caribbean	Note that you can search awards on our site by career profile. Select "professionals" to see your options: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search
Is a slide coming with hidden gems in Africa?	yes!
So, if my Fulbright research grant ended January 2022, I can apply again in September 2024, for the 2025/2026 grant awards?	That's correct: If your last U.S. Scholar Award ended in Jan 2022, you would be eligible to apply again in September 2024.
Should we as faculty establish connection with our counterpart in the program or we'll be matched to a program after applying for the position?	It depends, some countries want you to create those connections and others will have set and partnership awards with specific universities. Look at the Location under each award you will find that information.
Are there slides that go with the current presentation???	These slides will be posted after our webinar has concluded.
What is the key difference between Applied Sciences Universities (saw several of them in Austria) and other non-applied sciences universities in Austria?	Hello! Austria's awards are very specific, so please look for your discipline in Austria. They are very interested in the sciences, so you will likely find a match.
The COVID-19 pandemic canceled or interrupted the 2020 cycle. Awardees were given "reapplication privileges" . I was stranded in that country for 13 months. I applied twice and have been rejected both times after clearing the peer review stage. Will the board kindly reconsider their policy for the affected 2020 grantees so they can complete their canceled or interrupted grants?	I am sorry to hear that. Keep in mind every competition is a brand new competition so you need to develop a new project.
If you are applying for the Public Policy fellowship, would a local nonprofit count as a "partner institution"? Are there any criteria that the partner institution must meet? Is it up to the applicant to forge the partnership?	The Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship provides opportunities for U.S. early and mid-career professionals and practitioners to serve in placements in a foreign government ministry or institution around the world. Fulbright Public Policy Fellows build mutual understanding and contribute to strengthening the public sector while cultivating public policy experience in their area of expertise. The Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship also includes an independent professional component that provides fellows the opportunity to interact with the local community and further their career goals.
Thank you. I actually finished my Scholar grant in Latvia this past January, so I would be applying for the Global Specialist grant. Sounds like I may not have to wait. Maybe I should wait until you discuss it! Patience, Robert!	Hi! We will not be discussing the specialist grant as we do not administer it.
Where or how I can find research or teaching opportunities in the Arts in Europe and Eusia?	Hello! Here is an awards search for you: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_world_area%5B4457%5D=4457&field_awa

	d_multi_country=All&discipline%5B%5D=8054&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
I just need to know if you can provide me responses for a Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Abroad Program. As indicated in the instruction of the Fulbright-Hays, the application deadline is April 25, 2023. Do you have any idea when will the program launch? Can the student directly apply if the institution does not assign a Project Director? Is language reference a must for U.S. citizens whose native language is the host country?	Hi! The Fulbright Hays is a different grant administered by a different group, so we do not have any answers to questions regarding those awards.
can you point us to the link for US scholars to Bosnia and Herzegovina? When I search on Google, it connects to Fulbright links for students to the United States, or to teaching fellows, but not general research fellowships for US scholars.	try searching on our website, fulbrightscholars.org
Hello thank you so much for this amazing presentation. Just wanted to know which country in Europe has programs for nursing scholars.	Hello! Here is an awards search for you: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_world_area%5B4457%5D=4457&field_award_multi_country=All&discipline%5B%5D=8096&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
Any advice about awards for the visual arts-photography?	I suggest looking at awards that offer applications in the arts.
If you have dual citizenship with a European country, can you get a Fulbright to a different EU country?	Hello! Please check the "Award Requirements" page on each award to see if dual citizens (or EU citizens) are allowed. Typically, it only applies to citizens of that one country.
I got recommended for Fulbright Specialist... whom should I contact for additional information. Thanks	Hi! This is a grant administered by a different group. You would have to get in touch with the staff at the Specialist program instead. You can find their contact info on their website
Looks like the Grenoble award is for graduate work. Is that correct?	Ah, no. Please make sure you are on fulbrightscholars.org . Awards for study are student awards, on fulbrightonline.org . They also have one in Grenoble!
Any advice about awards for the visual arts-photography?	I suggest looking for awards in the arts and usually they will accept applications in any arts media.
Can we apply to multiple countries or for multiple projects? That would broaden prospects.	You may only apply to one award per application cycle
For the category of mid-year academics, would this include adjunct teaching as well as full-time? For ex: I have been teaching in higher ed (with my doctorate) for seven years total- five as an adjunct at three universities, and the past two years as a full-time assistant professor. Would I be considered early or mid-career?	Hello! Yes, we consider that number of years after your terminal degree. So all of your years of research and teaching count.
Thanks—love your collective enthusiasm. Two questions. 1) can you apply for more than one scholar site and 2) I'm a doctorally prepared nurse and teach	Hello! 1) You can only apply to one award per cycle/year. 2) You will be the expert on your own discipline. I would imagine "Medical Studies" or

both nursing and medicine. Could I apply to something marked "medicine."?	"Medical Sciences" could accommodate you, but please check each award specifically.
Are there research/teaching awards available for Georgia in the humanities?	https://fulbrightscholars.org/award/all-disciplines-736
Can U.S. faculty do 4-month awards to overlap with the summer if they do not have sabbatical credits that would allow them to leave their campuses in Fall or Spring?	Hello! Some awards have provisions for summer months. One good option is to look for awards offering Flex options and seeing at the bottom of the page in the blue box, if summer months are available.
Any programs in Bahrain?	Yes! https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&country%5B%5D=4546&field_award_multi_country=All&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
I joined a bit late, will you be covering the Western Hemisphere in this webinar? Apologies if you have already presented on the West. Thanks!	Yes! It will be coming up shortly
will the slide be available so we can open the link listed in the powerpoint?	the PDF version will be shared after the webinar has concluded
How is a senior academic/senior scholar defined?	Over 13 years of teaching and research experience.
Do you have to have a cultural or other connection or a history in any of the countries before applying?	Not really. You just need to be culturally sensitive.
The slides and some of the script clearly indicate these are awards for 2023-24, and applications for these are LONG since past. It's as if you're reading an old script. We'll look for award for 2024-25, which is what opens this year. Please correct me if I'm wrong about any of this.	Hi! The current applicant cycle is 24-25.
Can a team of two apply for an 'all discipline' award?	Hello! All of our awards are for individuals, so you would need to apply each separately.
Are experienced Emeritus faculty and administrators eligible?	Absolutely! We encourage emeriti and anyone with teaching and research experience.
Could you review Japan?	Hi! This is a hidden gems webinar, so we will not be covering every country
My husband and I are both interested in applying for the global scholars program. He would apply for one country and I would apply in another country based on our interests and degree requirements. If we were both to be selected our intent would be to accept only one of the placements. Is this an option or is it expected that if someone is awarded the opportunity then we would be obligated to accept the appointment? Would there be an option to defer for one year a placement if we were both accepted into the program?	Hello! No, it is entirely up to you if you accept or not. I want to note, though, that since you say you are each applying to one country only, you are applying to regular Scholar awards, not Global Scholar.
Being limited to only one program per application is counterproductive and misses out on many excellent candidates; hopefully this will be reconsidered in the future.	Your application is country specific for majority of these awards, except for few multi-country awards.
Did we skip Japan?	These are hidden gems - not all of the countries will be presented in this webinar

<p>Who did you say can help get a LOR?</p>	<p>We have a great guide for that here under "Letter of Invitation": https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps</p>
<p>Can you tell me the best for Soicla Work either teaching, research</p>	<p>There are many awards in Social Work so it depends on your level of your career, interest in a country, etc.</p>
<p>I am nearing the end of my PhD program and would like to conduct a follow up research towards the conclusion of my PhD. The two foremost scholars in mu field are in Berlin and Utracht. What's the best approach to try to be in one or both of these countries, so I can conduct this research under their tutelage? I already have a professional relationship with both, who are friendly to the idea.</p>	<p>Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program does not support PhD studies, but we do have the postdoctoral awards as long as you have your PhD before the start grant date.</p>
<p>Will you talk about Japan? The presentation went from Australia to Mongolia.</p>	<p>Hi! These are hidden gems; we will not be covering every country</p>
<p>I was a Fulbright US Scholar finalist last year for Uruguay — as a climate journalist. Do you suggest I apply again to Uruguay... or is it better to apply to another country?</p>	<p>I strongly recommend applying again and maybe consider a country that offers journalism as their preferred discipline.</p>
<p>What is the best way to find the awards for librarians?</p>	<p>Hello! Here is a search for you: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_world_area%5B4457%5D=4457&field_award_multi_country=All&discipline%5B%5D=8084&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</p>
<p>My discipline is crop genetics and genomics. I am not sure which ones of these hidden gems should be carefully checked? I am open to any country to do either teaching or research. Thanks!</p>	<p>You can search by discipline in our awards list. I'd encourage you to start here! https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search</p>
<p>How long typically does it take between the application submission and actual travel?</p>	<p>You can find the application timeline here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#timeline</p>
<p>I'm an associate professor in library science but I'm finishing a certificate in public health - I combine public libraries and public health. Would I look at library science? There aren't as many awards in LIS, but lots in public health. Is there someone who I should contact about that?</p>	<p>Yes, please do connect with us. Scholars@iie.org</p>
<p>Can you please explain what the letter of invitation is?</p>	<p>This is a letter provided by the proposed host institution expressing their interest in hosting you and your proposed project. Applicants are responsible for obtaining and uploading the letter of invitation to their Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program application if required by the award.</p>
<p>Do Scholar Awards and Distinguished Scholar Awards have the same requirements? Is one harder than the other?</p>	<p>Distinguished Scholar awards are viewed as the most prestigious appointments in the Fulbright Scholar Program. Awards are open to scholars who have more than seven years of experience in their discipline or area of expertise, though some awards may further restrict eligibility. Distinguished Scholars are expected to actively engage host institutions in a spirit of</p>

	promoting mutual understanding and sharing knowledge.
When is the application deadline for the 2024 cycle?	The deadline for the 24-25 cycle is September 15 2023
Will you address the specifics of the Global Scholar award, for instance, the benefit of and requirement for at least two different countries in two different hemispheres?	This is a hidden gems webinar, so we will not be discussing the logistics of the Global Scholar Award.
I am an adjunct teaching professor with specific work experience and post Bac certifications but not a master's degree. Do I qualify as a teacher or scholar without a masters?	There are few Fulbright Scholar awards will require a Master's Degree at the minimum.
If we have interest in a specific country, but we aren't sure about what host institution to partner with, do you suggest we email the staff person associated as the liaison on your website to help narrow that down?	Yes, please do email your Liaison or us. For every award there is a dedicated staff member.
Which programs break the research into 3 separate time periods?	look at programs with the Flex option!
Greetings from New Zealand this morning. I am finishing my student teaching abroad but will be receiving my teaching certification in July. I am a U.S. faculty/citizen and finishing my time as an Auburn University student. Are there awards eligible for first year teachers?	Do you have a terminal degree or PhD? Please email us Scholars@iie.org with your specific question.
Paraguay was not mentioned.	Note that what we're featuring today is just a sample! An award to Paraguay is available: https://fulbrightscholars.org/award/all-disciplines-669
Which program allows research in several countries with a flex schedule	Hello! Please consider either the Global Scholar award or consider this search and see if any offers Flex: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_award_multi_country=1&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
Any countries welcome population health research?	You can search for awards by discipline on our site. I encourage you to start there! https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_award_multi_country=All&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
Is there anyone I can contact about a position in Social Work?	Every award has a contact, find one that interests you and reach out! Here are the awards for social work: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_award_multi_country=All&discipline%5B%5D=8109&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
Hello! how do we know which host countries accept "flex" during breaks in the U.S. academic year (June, July, August; December), and which ones do not?	Hello! That will be at the bottom of the page in the Flex box of any award that offers Flex as an option.

<p>Is there a reason Suriname and Guyana are not on the Fullbright website?</p>	<p>Hello! They are! Make sure you are on fulbrightscholars.org specifically, not the student website.</p>
<p>I'm in an out of meetings during this talk. Will it be possible to get the slides from this talk?</p>	<p>Yes! It will be posted on our webinar archive!</p>
<p>Hi, I'm unable to see the programs for Guyana or Suriname on the Western Hemisphere page: https://us.fulbrightonline.org/countries/western-hemisphere . Where can I learn more about these awards?</p>	<p>Hi! That website is the student program website. We are fulbrightscholars.org</p>
<p>what does the award cover? is it mainly the cost of living and travel to the country? how about a course buyout for the candidate's institute?</p>	<p>Under the award benefits tab, there is information about all benefits that you are entitled to if selected for a Fulbright Scholar award.</p>
<p>Do Scholar Awards and Distinguished Scholar Awards have the same requirements? Is one harder than the other?</p>	<p>Fulbright Scholar Awards comprise the bulk of awards offered and include opportunities for professionals, artists, and scholars at all career levels. Location and eligibility vary across all awards, and some awards may be restricted to certain career levels or types of scholars. This information is outlined in the award description. Distinguished Scholar awards are viewed as the most prestigious appointments in the Fulbright Scholar Program. Awards are open to scholars who have more than seven years of experience in their discipline or area of expertise, though some awards may further restrict eligibility. Distinguished Scholars are expected to actively engage host institutions in a spirit of promoting mutual understanding and sharing knowledge.</p>
<p>I am a tenured associate professor (with a doctorate in anthropology and I teach in the Religious Studies Dept for world religions and Islamic Studies and the arts) but looking to accept an early retirement offer which begins in Spring 2024. As an independent scholar at that point, would I be eligible? Also, a colleague in South Africa, asked me to apply for a Fulbright there and he would arrange an invitational letter and make other arrangements. How should I approach this?</p>	<p>Yes, retired Scholars are also welcome to apply.</p>
<p>I did a Fulbright 6 years ago. My question is, in a new application/project, how much overlap can there be with a past Fellowship - that is, must you work with entirely different people, different research topic, different teaching emphasis? I would definitely write a 'different' application this time - that is, working with different people and different approach. However, i am interested to know if there can be some small overlap with the past Fellowship.</p>	<p>Preference for Fulbright Scholar opportunities will be given to candidates who have not previously received a Fulbright Scholar award. Recipients of a Fulbright Scholar award are eligible to apply for another Fulbright Scholar award two years after the date of completion of the previous award. This includes the higher education administrator seminars. (For flex awards, the two-year period begins at the end of the final grant portion.)</p>
<p>Will you be sharing the slides with us??</p>	<p>Yes! We post the slides and the Q&A box within a week or two, along with the recording.</p>

<p>These are all exciting to hear about. What are the criteria for which you selected as "gems"? Is it a matter of (1) # of applicants, (2) existing agreements and arrangements - like no invitation letter... what else? Asking to understand how to understand the needs/opps at play</p>	<p>Our gem criteria is a bit proprietary ;) But please note these awards are featured today because they are a bit under the radar.</p>
<p>Cape Verde?</p>	<p>Yes. It is also known as Cabo Verde.</p>
<p>Thank you. This would mean the applicant would need to contact the host directly before applying for the award?</p>	<p>Hello, yes, if an LOI is required, you will need to do so.</p>
<p>Do you guys provide advising or help at the time we are preparing materials to submit to the fullbright application?</p>	<p>Yes! We have dedicated office hours around submission time, too. See fulbrightscholars.org > Connect > Office Hours.</p>
<p>Will this webinar cover any higher education administrator programs? I know there is a separate webinar that will cover this but I am wondering if they will be mentioned at all here.</p>	<p>Hi! They will not be mentioned in this webinar in particular</p>
<p>I retired as full Professor this past September, and am now Professor Emeritus. Am I still eligible for Fulbright awards? (I had one in 2015 at Humboldt U in Berlin). --John Hawley jhawley@scu.edu</p>	<p>yes you are still eligible!</p>
<p>Are we limited exclusively to the global gems described for sub-saharan Africa or can we select other countries in this area?</p>	<p>you can choose any award that is open in Africa, these are just the hidden gems</p>
<p>Which programs can you recommend for visual artists and art professionals</p>	<p>Here is a search for you: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_award_multi_country=All&discipline%5B%5D=8054&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_career_profile%5B8321%5D=8321&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</p>
<p>If an applicant's letter of invitation arrives after the application deadline, is the applicant penalized for the host institution's delay-- or can that letter be uploaded into the portal?</p>	<p>Hello! You actually cannot submit the application without the LOI if it is required. Letters of Recommendation are also due on September 15, as we need the whole package at once.</p>
<p>I have an MA and am currently a PhD Candidate. Although I am a full-time student, I also have another career. Is it possible for me to apply to the Flex program?</p>	<p>Hello! If you are currently studying, please consider a student award. I understand you have another career, but the student awards at fulbrightonline.org will be more interesting for you at this stage.</p>
<p>I saw someone in the q&a mention a sign language interpreter, where is this viewable?</p>	<p>They are spot lit as a speaker</p>
<p>Can you apply while you are completing your Ph.D to start the program after you finish?</p>	<p>Hello! Yes. You need only have the terminal degree in hand by the grant start date. Make this very clear in your application.</p>
<p>will we get a copy of these slides to be able to click on some of the hyperlinks? I couldn't find one of them on the web site.</p>	<p>Yes, we will also post it on the archive section of our website.</p>
<p>I'm interested in reapplying after applying last year. Is there a way that I can get advise about the various grants available in a certain country? Is it better to contact the country's fulbright office to get advice or to contact the US staff? I know that I can't get specific</p>	<p>Hello! We always recommend you contact us first. You can try contacting the staff member listed on the award that interests you this time, and see what the updated advice for this year is. Countries are also</p>

<p>feedback but after talking with US staff, the advice that I got was so vague as to not necessarily be helpful. I was thinking that it would be more helpful to speak to an Fulbright admin in the country itself. Specifically, about which award between two would be best for my specific project?</p>	<p>unable to give you specific feedback, but rest assured we at IIE update our advice we can give per year.</p>
<p>So, if I am applying for 24-25, should the Fulbright start 25 Jan, as I completed my last Fulbright 22 Dec.?</p>	<p>You need to wait until 2024 to apply for 2025-26 competition.</p>
<p>Sorry if this is already covered. How is funding provided? Fully by the host? Fully by Fulbright? Split with personal funds? The fact is that no home institution funding will be available.</p>	<p>You can always see the specific benefits of any award in the award benefits section of a description. You can search for awards here! https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_award_multi_country=All&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</p>
<p>Re. the Fulbright Post-Docs - I understand that the scope is a PhD that has been defended within the past 5 years. Could there be any flexibility for slightly extending that time frame as an outcome of the 2-year COVID-19 pandemic? We had a tenure clock pause due to help us pivot to online teaching, etc. Thanks!</p>	<p>Hello, unfortunately we cannot extend this. You are however eligible for all other Scholar awards accepting Early Career academics.</p>
<p>Does that mean placements are only within foreign government institutions — not a host/partner CBO?</p>	<p>Please email us FPPF@iie.org for further clarification</p>
<p>I missed the description of the Spain-Morocco award, could you provide a link with more details?</p>	<p>Hello! Can you please email middleeastnorthafrica@iie.org? This award exists but we are having trouble pulling it up right now.</p>
<p>Hello! How many awards are being offered in Bahrain? I'm interested in the teaching award in Bahrain. Is this open to all disciplines? Would this be a conservative or liberal location? As well how long is this award for? My strong interest is in teaching new teachers how to implant social emotional learning with collaborative exchanges between school psychologist or character leaders.</p>	<p>Hi! I would email the contact on the award you are interested in as these questions are a bit specific!</p>
<p>Is it a disadvantage to apply for a country in which I've already done extensive research?</p>	<p>It depends, as long as you don't have extensive recent work in the country, you should be fine.</p>
<p>If an award's Activity Type lists "Research" and "Teaching/Research" for example, does that mean that you can choose either only research or a mix of teaching and research?</p>	<p>Yes, you can do research only or a combination of both.</p>
<p>Does the Fulbright-Nehru Distinguished Scholar Award include the arts?</p>	<p>Yes, it is an All Discipline award. https://fulbrightscholars.org/award/fulbright-nehru-distinguished-scholar-all-disciplines-1</p>
<p>where can we find more information about the Morocco-Spain Joint Award?</p>	<p>Hello, could you please email middleeastnorthafrica@iie.org? We are also having trouble pulling it up right now and want to assist you, too.</p>
<p>How about Vietnam? Thanks.</p>	<p>Hi! This is a hidden gems webinar, so not every country will be covered</p>

<p>Can you please direct me to a webinar offering insights inot the Global Scholar award?</p>	<p>I would recommend looking at our overview webinar we did in Feb!</p>
<p>What makes for a more accomplished scholar? Someone who is prolific in publishing? More mature professional? Please define. Thanks.</p>	<p>Here is the review criteria to help you better understand what the reviewers look at: The Fulbright Scholar Program supports activities and projects that recognize and promote the critical relationship between educational exchange and international understanding, in addition to the intellectual merit of the proposals. Applications with broad multiplier effects are particularly welcome, as are projects that are conducive to candidates sharing their experiences and knowledge with colleagues, students and, ideally, with the general public in their host country and, upon return, in the United States. To learn more, view a short video about the Review and Selection Process. Reviewers consider the basic objectives of the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program, evaluating applications on the following criteria: Applicant training, background, experience. Applicant possesses the training, credentials, active professional standing, as appropriate for their project, discipline, and career path, and meets all stated requirements</p>
<p>Hi! Are there any thoughts and recommendations about those with interests in doing research in Russia?</p>	<p>Hi! I would email the regional email so we can advise you more</p>
<p>How can I find awards related to Climate change? and also AI/ML?</p>	<p>I would do keyword searches on our award search for these awards. I know however of an award in Hauts-de-France interested in AI!</p>
<p>Oslo, Norway: What are the major priorities? I see there's a Roving Scholar in American Studies but I'm unsure whether I would be a good fit.</p>	<p>Please email me EuropeEurasia@iie.org for further clarification on Norway awards.</p>
<p>I have a masters in music and would like to learn more about my opportunity to conduct research and other disciplines that match the award. I'm on the ground level or this process. Is there a contact number I can call? I'm in interested in West Africa and the Caribbean. I'm looking forward to forge ahead in this life long goal and interest. Thank you</p>	<p>Hello! You can email subsaharanafrica@iie.org and/or westhem@iie.org to check your eligibility with the Master's (some Master's are terminal degrees, some are not).</p>
<p>What is the best way to find awards as a professional?</p>	<p>Note that you can search awards by career profile, including professionals. That's a good place to start! https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_award_multi_country=All&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</p>
<p>Does Oman and UAE considered Hidden Gym?</p>	<p>We listed a few hidden gems, but please email us if you have any follow up questions Scholars@iie.org</p>
<p>You have probably got this question a lot -- would the recording be accessible after the workshop? I have to meet with a student in 3 minutes and would like to catch the Q&A somehow. Many thanks!</p>	<p>Yes! It will be in our webinar archive online</p>
<p>I am interested in Albania. However, It looks like Albania is not accepting Senior Academics?</p>	<p>They do have the Multiple Discipline award. Please email me EuropeEurasia@iie.org</p>

Is the Arctic Initiative going to be accepting applicants this cycle?	Yes.
where can we find the recording, I am working so was not listening consistently.	the recording will be posted on our webinar archive later this week
A Fulbright ambassador suggested I apply for a Fulbright. I am interested in wildflowers/plants bringing people from all cultures together through familiarity in nature. If you see a familiar plant, shrub, or tree in a foreign country the country and culture may not seem so strange/different. I don't want to be limited to doing research in one area, but have the possibility of pursuing wildflowers globally.	I suggest you consider one country and as an expert in your field, I recommend that you look for a country that does similar work to what you are doing.
When did you say the letters are due? Is that for all programs?	Letters of invitations are due on September 15, but we will give you some additional time until September 30 only if you are not able to get it by Sept 15 deadline.
Is true how do I find letter of invitation? Is there more information in this letter of invitation process?	Also known as the invitation, this is a letter provided by the proposed host institution expressing their interest in hosting you and your proposed project. Applicants are responsible for obtaining and uploading the letter of invitation to their Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program application if required by the award.
Is a language proficiency report helpful in grants even where not required? So, maybe welcome or preferred?	When it is not required, you do not need to get a language evaluation.
I see the summary of the Flex option. Could you post a website that gives some examples of how this could be structured?	Hello! We do not have specific examples but look carefully at the award you are interested in and propose Flex segments that work for your project.
I am looking at Poland all discipline as a teaching award. Is this at all a hidden gem or a more popular one?	we just presented all our hidden gems, but do not be afraid to apply to a different award!
What kind support does Distinguished Scholar Program provide. Do we need to develop a budget? Is travel to another country covered	Hello! Each award spells out exactly how much money will be disbursed directly to you, the applicant. You do not need to develop a budget. As for travel, that is also on the Benefits page and is available for many, but not all, awards.
I have had two previous Fulbright Scholar Awards: am I still eligible?	As long as two years have passed since the conclusion of your grant, then yes. There is no limit as to how many you can be awarded
can one make 2 applications for the 24-25 award period?	No, you may only apply to one award per application cycle
I wasn't able to locate any information about the Arctic Initiative on the web site. Is a URL available?	Here it is: https://fulbrightscholars.org/arctic
The feasibility of the project proposal only applies for the research grants? if you only want to teach and not do research, do you write a syllabus for a specific course or how do you determine that?	Yes, a course outline or syllabi is required for teaching.
Hello, I'm an author and recent U.S. Scholar alum to Georgia (Hi Aferdita). It was indeed transformative. I noticed that STEM fields seem to be on demand in the hidden gems opportunities. Off the top of your heads, are there any professional project opportunities in	Hello! Thanks for reaching out. Yes, we do have many great opportunities for professionals.

these countries, specifically for authors of literary works?	
Can you say something about artist's awards?	Hello! Here is a search for you: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_award_multi_country=All&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_career_profile%5B8317%5D=8317&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
I am a veterinary nurse interested in doing research. Are there any opportunities that are focused on the treatment of animals/animal health care/veterinary sciences?	Yes! Here is a search for you: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_award_multi_country=All&discipline%5B%5D=8115&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All
Thank you for this very informative presentation. Are there more Hidden Gems in Africa that were not highlighted in this presentation?	We consider all of our awards gems! But the ones we highlighted today are the ones we want to bring to your attention right now.
Could you please post the link for office hours?	Here you go: https://apply.iie.org/portal/office_hours
If we are interested in future cycles, is there any way to determine the likelihood of specific awards being offered in the future?	No, there is no way to determine whether an award will be offered in the future
What percentage of applicants get past the first review?	We are actually unable to share this information, due to the FFSB policies
Sorry the website says the Arctic Initiative is closed. Will there be an update and will the prior cycle information apply?	Oh so it must be! It will come back, but I am sorry that I do not have more information. Please email any contact on that site and they can assist you with more specific information.
For the last two years my application never made it out of Washington. The first year the file was never reviewed when the Canadian office made an inquiry. Is this because I have had two Fulbrights? One in Bulgaria and the last one in 2015 in Canada? I was not duplicatin any work.	I am sorry to hear this! Please do apply again and do so through fulbrightscholars.org . You would be eligible for a 24-25 award per the two-year rule.
Is this presentation posted at a location where we can review it again?	Yes, in the webinar section you'll see a link to the archive https://apply.iie.org/portal/scholar_webinars
Hi. Is "Insurance and Risk Management" considered as a field in your Business or Economics/Finance category?	Hello! You will be the best expert on that. But I imagine this will be the case.
can we apply for multiple awards?	No, you may only apply to one award per cycle
How can an applicant know the "priorities" of the US Embassy for the host country?	Hello! On the first page of the award, there may be a section with additional comments specifying priorities.
Can you make multiple applications? I thought you could only make one application.	You can only make one application per award cycle
I apologize for missing the first part of the session, did I just hear that you can apply for more than one scholarship?	Nope! You may only apply to one per award cycle.
How about the letters of recommendation and who is best to ask?	You can find letter of recommendation guidance here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/us-scholar-awards#steps
If our area of professional expertise is highly speciliazed, what does Fulbright do to be certain that the peer review is by the appropriate reviewer?	Hello! This is up to which discipline you select on your application. We manually assign applicants to review

	committees based on your choice there, so please choose wisely for your specific case!
can you talk about the location detail—Applicants should arrange their own affiliation with an Irish institution. If we have a person at university, we can build on that, right ? Thanks	Hello! Yes, in this case you may work with people you know of in Ireland.
Do we have a limit in number of applications in the life time?	There is no limit
Campus scholar liaisons can assist applicants too!	Yes, they can :) We love our Liaisons.
Who can I contact for more information about the opportunity in Bosnia/Herzegovina - I have a note that Veterinary Sciences were mentioned.	Hello! That's me, Julia, at EuropeEurasia@iie.org
How do you become a Fulbright Specialist?	this is a separate program, so you would have to get in contact with them.
Do you still offer the 3 week awards?	Most Fulbright US Scholar awards are 3 months or longer. You can always see that in the award description
Which regions are most interested in American literature, specifically African American literature?	Lots of regions are interested in American Studies! We actually have a specific webinar for that field. Off the top of my head, Canada and the UK have awards that are looking specifically for Black literature studies.
How can I find out when the office hours are?	https://apply.iie.org/portal/office_hours
I see that age is not an issue but I have to ask if, at 61, how likely would my application be considered?	Yes, there is no age discrimination. Please do apply.
Some of the areas you have covered are hot spots politically; how do you deal with security issues if crises in the host country flare up?	live answered
Are there any three week scholarships(Flex) for Administrators?	The shortest Flex grant segments are typically one month, but administrator awards (fulbrightscholars.org/iea) are typically two weeks (but note that these don't support teaching or research)
I am planning to move out of US internationally, can I apply for a Fulbright if I am living in that country?	Some awards have rules against this, so I would check with the award
Can one use a previous teaching program in one country in another country?	Yes, absolutely. The objective is to show that you know how to structure courses and communicate to students.
Were the programs highlighted today chosen because they typically have fewer applicants?	We cannot give any competitiveness data. However, we did want to share these specific awards with you today :)
can you address how Professionals have been successful ?	Hello! Please check our Scholar Directory under fulbrightscholars.org > Contact to find out which professionals have had grants.
Who is contact person for Distinguished Scholar Award?	Hello! Please see the contact on the specific country that interests you. There are many Distinguished Awards around the world!
What does it mean Distinguish Scholar?	We typically judge this by the number of years served. 7+ years typically qualify, but please consult each award.

<p>I'm 55 and have been undecided about moving forward</p>	<p>We always encourage more experienced scholars to apply! Emeriti are welcome, too.</p>
<p>If a spouse has to take a leave to accompany the Fullbrighter, can the program cover part of the spouse's salary?</p>	<p>Over 60% of the awards offer family support. Please look under the benefits tab to learn more.</p>
<p>Does Saudi Arabia participate?</p>	<p>Yes! You can find all awards here: https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search</p>
<p>Looking for one for India</p>	<p>You can search by country on fulbrightscholars.org.</p>
<p>Can you discuss the process if chosen as an alternate?</p>	<p>Hello! In that case, you would have to wait to see if the selectee accepts. But if you are an alternate, both your peers and the country liked you a lot!</p>
<p>Which countries have a high priority for TEFL currently?</p>	<p>Quite a few! I can say in the Middle East/North Africa for example, there are specific awards in Algeria, Jordan and Palestinian Territories https://fulbrightscholars.org/awards/search?query=&field_world_area%5B4458%5D=4458&field_award_multi_country=All&field_award_degree_reqs=All&field_invitation_req=All&field_do_you_offer_additional_de=All</p>
<p>Can you talk more about this two year span between beginning an application and the notification of an award</p>	<p>Hello! This 2-year rule is for alumni, not for hearing about the award!</p>