ENGAGING WITH THE WORLD THROUGH FULBRIGHT

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THE FULBRIGHT PROGRAM

Sponsored by the US Department of State, the Fulbright Student Program annually offers over 2,000 awards to conduct research, study, or teach in one of over 140 countries around the world. Programs are typically 9-12 months in length and are open to graduating seniors, alumni, and graduate students from all academic backgrounds.
The UD Fulbright Initiative, facilitated by IGS, provides increased outreach about Fulbright opportunities to UD students, faculty, staff, and alumni. In addition, IGS provides formal assistance throughout the application process by hosting events, workshops, information sessions, and networking opportunities with UD Fulbright Society Members and other expert faculty and staff.

The UD Fulbright Society was founded in 2014 to honor and engage UD’s 190+ Fulbright recipients!
Benefits of the Fulbright Award:

- Award covers 100% of travel and living expenses
- Life-long connections to other Fulbright Students & Scholars
- In-depth global experience
- Prestige value opens doors to other opportunities
- Chance to mentor Future Fulbrighters & sit on review panels

James Robert White, Costa Rica, 2015
STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

Must Have:

• U.S. Citizenship at the time of application
• Bachelor’s degree by the start of the program
• Foreign language competency as necessary for the project

Note:

• No minimum GPA required but a strong academic record is a must
• Students from all academic backgrounds are welcome
• Fulbright actively seeks a diverse applicant pool
925 awards available in over 140 countries

General Qualifications

• Well-developed project &/or study plan
• High level of academic &/or professional achievement
• Demonstrated leadership ability
• Sufficient language proficiency (varies by country)
• Community engagement-service orientation

Critical Language Enhancement Award

• Additional 3-6 months intensive in-country language training
• Focus on languages of high value to U.S. security interests
Gerti Wilson

Political Science (‘16)

- Won a Plastino Award in 2015 to pursue research in Ghana
- Served as a member of CPAB and Student Alumni Ambassador
- Won a Benjamin A. Gilman Award to study abroad in South Africa
- After graduating, Gerti took on a role with U.S. Senator Chris Coons as a Congressional Intern

Received a 2018-19 Fulbright Award to conduct research in Kenya on women’s roles in the Kenyan judiciary
ENGLISH TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP

- 1100 Awards in over 75 countries
- Goal: To improve students’ English language & knowledge of U.S. culture
- ETA teaches 20-30 hours per week
- Applicants should demonstrate:
  - Excellent communication skills
  - Flexibility, adaptability, openness
  - Leadership & service experience
- Host language proficiency varies by country
- All majors are encouraged to apply

2018-19 Fulbright Winners: Amanda Abrom, Jennifer Lawrence, Rickey Egan, Taylor Tewksbury and Gerti Wilson
Rebecca Jaeger

Biology, Spanish & Political Science ('16)

- Studied abroad to Spain
- Served as Student Government President
- Was a Blue Hen Ambassador, Orientation Leader
- Worked as a Writing Center tutor
- Completed a Fulbright ETA in Spain

After returning from her Fulbright year, Rebecca enrolled in William & Mary’s School of Law
MATTHEW WERTH
Languages, Literatures & Cultures ('14)

- Studied abroad to Costa Rica
- Participated in a medical service trip to Ecuador
- Won a State Department Critical Language Scholarship to China
- Was involved in several clubs on campus, including the Swing Dance Club, Sign Language Club, and Chinese Language & Culture Society

Won a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship in 2014 & 2015 to Taiwan
APPLICATION COMPONENTS

Research / Study Awards

Online Application

Essays
• Personal Statement: 1 page
• Statement of Grant Purpose: 2 pages
• References/Evals
  • Foreign Language Evaluation forms
  • Three references

Transcripts – All, unofficial OK

Letter of Institutional Affiliation

UD Fulbright Society Member & Chemical Engineer, Henry Richmond (Germany, 1965)
FULBRIGHT APPLICATION TIMELINE

- Applications Open
- Design Project & Prepare Application
- Priority Deadline
- **Campus Deadline**
- Campus Interviews
- **IIE Official Application Deadline**
- National Screening Committees
- Commissions/Embassies Foreign Scholarship Board
- Final Notification
- Grant Begin Date

April 1
April-August
July 10th
**September 15th**
September-October
**October 8, 2019**
November-December
January-May
April-May
September*
WHERE CAN YOUR DREAMS BECOME REALITY?

Explore a World of Opportunities
us.fulbrightonline.org

See Where you Stand: Statistics
http://us.fulbrightonline.org/statistics

Special Opportunities

Special Opportunities are available in each country above and beyond a set number of general Research/Study and ETA awards. To navigate through these options, visit specific country pages on the Fulbright site above, or see the Fulbright Timeline & Snapshot handout we’ll share with you.

Photo by Kassidy Kellagher (17W Thailand/Myanmar)
1. **Schedule an individual appointment with Katharine Kerrane (kck@udel.edu) or Kelsey Cummings (kelseyrc@udel.edu)**

2. Keep building your UD Global resume by:
   - Attending an international coffee hour
   - Sitting in on an internationally-focused lecture or film
   - Joining an RSO
   - Becoming a Delaware Diplomat
   - Studying Abroad
   - Internationalizing your studies
   - & so much more

3. Attend the Fulbright Lecture Series on March 21 and April 11 at 6 p.m. in Gore Hall Room 103.

4. Juniors, Seniors & Grad Students, attend a Fulbright Writing Workshop on May 6 at 3:30 p.m. in 213 Clayton Hall.
CONGRATULATIONS!

To the newest UD winners of a Fulbright U.S. Student Program Award:

Melanie Allen (Benin)
Amanda Abroms (Spain)
Briyana Chisholm (Spain)
Rickey Eagan (Poland)
Sarah Hartman (Philippines)
Klodiana Kastrati (Kosovo)
Jackie King (Brazil)
Jennifer Lawrence (Netherlands)
Taylor Tewksbury (Malaysia)
Gerti Wilson (Kenya)

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(18W Argentina SPTM)
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