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Grants for Study, Research, or Teaching Assistantships Abroad

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Our Fulbrighters Across the World

Over 150 UD faculty, students, & alumni have received Fulbright awards to conduct research or teach English in **58 countries across 6 continents**.

Five UD students received Fulbrights in 2017!

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www.udel.edu/global/research/fulbright

http://fulbright.state.gov
## Eligibility

### Must have:
- U.S. citizenship at time of application
- Bachelor’s degree at beginning of grant
- Good health
- Foreign language competency as necessary for project

### Cannot have:
- Resident Alien status
- Ph.D. or other terminal degree
- Parents who work for U.S. State Dept.
- Dual-citizenship (some countries – check website)
- Extensive experience in host country (undergrad study abroad does NOT count)

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**Fulbright Program**

### About...

- 1946: Created by U.S. Congress
- Student Program administered in U.S. by IIE
- Administered overseas by bi-national commissions and U.S. embassies

### Goal

*To increase mutual understanding between people of the U.S. and people of other countries through exchange*

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# U.S. Student Program

## Two Primary Types of Grants

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<td>• 925 awards</td>
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<td>• 8-10 months</td>
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<td>• ~140 countries</td>
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<td>• Independent research, study, or arts projects abroad</td>
<td>• Help teach English and U.S. culture in the classroom</td>
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**UD deadline:** Sept. 15  
**2017 Fulbright deadline:** October 6

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Special Award Opportunities

Fulbright National Geographic Fellowship

- **Focus**: Digital Storytelling
- Experience in techniques essential
- Open to all degree levels/countries/fields of study
- 233 applications last year
- 4-5 grants annually

Features include:

- Pursue Fulbright Project centered on themes
- Trained, supported, and mentored by National Geographic Editors
- Grantee’s digital content featured online in NatGeo blog

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Research / Study Grants

General Qualifications

- Well-developed project and/or study plan (for Master’s program)
- High level of academic and/or professional achievement
- Demonstrated leadership ability
- Sufficient language proficiency (varies by country)
- Community engagement-service orientation

UD alumna (2011) and Fulbright UK grantee Kimberly Stevenson

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Critical Language Enhancement Award

- Combined with traditional research award
- 3-6 months intensive language training prior to or concurrent with grant
- Available to: China, Indonesia, Jordan, Morocco, Egypt, India, Russia
- Focus on languages of high value to U.S. security interests
- May need minimal prior language study
- Commitment to further language study/use in career
- Language study must be critical to research
- Includes tuition, monthly stipend, health insurance, book allowance

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Eliza Hetterly
Biological Sciences, Sociology (‘13)

• Plastino Award in 2012 to study Maternal Health in Bangladesh
• Alumni Enrichment Award to volunteer with Child Family Health International on Global Health Immersion
• 2013 Fulbright Award to study slum redevelopment in India.

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English Teaching Assistantship

Improve students’ understanding of English language & U.S. culture

- Assistant teach 20-30 hours/week
- Excellent communication skills
- Flexibility, adaptability, openness
- Demonstrated leadership & service
- Host language proficiency varies by country
- Mexico has recently doubled in ETA’s from <30 to 60, Taiwan 66 to 90

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Emily Helmeid
Triple Languages, International Relations, Latin American Studies (‘07)

- Studied abroad to France, Mexico, and Brazil
- Volunteered at children’s organizations in both Brazil and Mexico
- Served as a volunteer translator for Wisconsin's Department of Social Services
- Was a teaching assistant at a remedial school during the summer in Wisconsin
- Received a 2008 Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship to Brazil & a 2009 UNESCO Fulbright Fellowship to France.

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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
- Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship in 2014 & 2015 to Taiwan

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Application Components

1. **Online app** – send as one-page pdf

2. **Essays**
   - Personal Statement: 1 page
   - Statement of Grant Purpose
     - Research/Study: 2 pages
     - ETA: 1 page

3. **References/Evals (uploaded by Sept. 15)**
   - Foreign Language Evaluation forms
   - Three references – choose wisely!

4. **Transcripts** – all, unofficial OK

5. **Other**
   - Arts ONLY: Supplementary Materials
   - Affiliation Letter (NOT for ETA)

- Send as attachments to UD by 5:00 pm Sept. 15
- **DO NOT SEND PIECEMEAL!** Only complete dossiers will be accepted!
Statement of Grant Purpose

- Two-page essay that answers what, where, how, when, and why
- Demonstrates knowledge of the proposed field
- Demonstrates awareness of needs in host country
- Demonstrates need for Master’s degree from that specific institution
- Any potential concern about project feasibility or your ability should be addressed directly

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Research Award:

UD alumna Alyssa Hull (AS ’13), Fulbright research award Norway, 2014
Letters of Affiliation

Study / Research Only

- Signed letter (on letterhead)
- Host country contact who will advise and/or mentor you
- Professional at a university, laboratory, library, community org., etc.
- Requirements vary by country
- REQUEST EARLY
- ETAs DO NOT secure affiliations

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Statement of Grant Purpose

ETA:

• One-page essay that explains how you will reach your goals as an English Teaching Assistant, and why you would like to be an English Teaching Assistant in that particular country
• Description of a small, supplemental research project (focused on community involvement)
• Should not be location-specific within country
• Demonstrates a sincere desire to teach English to non-native speakers
• Demonstrates interest in/knowledge of host country

 UD alumna Liza Melms (AS ’11), ETA Turkey, 2012

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Personal Statement

One page narrative
Make it personal
• Who are you?
• How did you get to this point?
• Family background
• Life experience
• Compelling story
• Intellectual/creative development

Community engagement
• How will you interact?
• For ETA: NOT site specific
# References

**Research/Study Grant**

- Three free-form letters with cover
- Speak with referees ahead of time
- Choose each with a purpose:
  - Ability to engage in independent research
  - Scholarly significance of project
  - Relevance to graduate work/future education
  - Adaptability/resourcefulness
- Ensure that references are submitted on time
- Grad students: all should be from faculty

**ETA**

- Three reference forms
- Speak with referees ahead of time
- Choose each with a purpose:
  - Ability to engage youth/children
  - English language skills
  - Ability to convey concepts to others
  - Adaptability and resourcefulness
- Ensure that references are submitted on time

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Award Package

- Round-trip Airfare
- Monthly Stipend *
- Limited Accident & Sickness Benefits
- Other Possible Benefits *
  - Support For Dependents
  - Research Allowance
  - Tuition
  - Language Lessons
  - Enhancement Activities
  - Disability-Related Accommodations

* Varies, depending on grant and host country

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Things to Consider

- Is your project feasible? Does your project “fit” the country to which you are applying?
- Do you have/can you secure a solid affiliation?
- Do you have requisite language skills? (Critical Language Enhancement award eligibility?)
- Have you demonstrated your ability to carry out your proposed project?
- Have you anticipated & answered all committee’s questions?
- What are the competition statistics?

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Application is open now!

See UD’s page for specific instructions and resources:
http://www.udel.edu/global/studyabroad/information/additionalops.html
How UD Helps You

• The UD Fulbright Society was founded in 2014 to honor and engage UD’s 150+ Fulbright recipients!

• A team of faculty, staff, and advisors will assist you in your Fulbright application, via:
  • Information sessions
  • Writing workshops
  • Fulbright spring lecture series
  • Summer mentorship – July 1 deadline
  • Campus interviews and feedback

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Essay-Writing Workshops

Wednesday, May 3, 3:30 – 5:00 pm
Monday, May 22, 10:00 – 11:30 am

IGS conference room
213 Clayton Hall

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