### Fulbright US Application Recommended Schedule

#### Where to begin

1. Attend a Fulbright US information session
2. Choose a host country and program of interest
3. Work on statements (Personal and Grant Proposal)
4. Register on the Fulbright Online Application Portal
5. Request letters of recommendations, affiliation letter (if needed), and language evaluations (if needed)
6. Submit statement drafts for review and feedback (Optional)
7. Submit the full application by the campus deadline
8. Schedule Fulbright US campus interview
9. Make final revisions on the Fulbright Portal and submit by final campus deadline

### Fulbright US Application Timeline

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| 1 January to July | Attend a Fulbright US information session | - The session will go through the entire application process as well as the different types of programs that Fulbright US has to offer. You also have the opportunity to ask questions and hear about the entire Fulbright Experience form a previous Fulbright Awardee.  
- After attending the info session, browse the Fulbright US website to learn more about requisites you may need for each program.  |
| 2 January to April | Choose a host country & program of interest | - Begin to think about where you may want to go on your Fulbright. What program are you interested in? (e.g., independent research, English teaching assistant (ETA), study abroad, special program, etc.).  
- Once you have picked the host country and program, carefully review the program summary to get a sense of what additional components you may need for the Fulbright US application.  |
| February to August | Work on personal statement & statement of grant purpose | - Work on both statements and revise your drafts constantly. You will want to have as many people review your statements as possible. Have your papers read by the Scholarship Resource Center (SRC), Undergraduate Writing Center (UWC), and/or the Graduate Writing Center (GWC).  
- Look to see what should be incorporated into your statements via the Fulbright US website under application components page.  
- You will want to have completed at least one draft of each statement by August 3rd so that faculty can review and give feedback.  |
| April to August | Register for the Fulbright Online Application Portal | - Starting on April 1st, Fulbright Application Portal will be open. You can register online and begin your application.  
- You can start working on your application and save whatever you have completed. Be sure to apply through UCLA.  |
April to October  | Request affiliation letters (if needed) | • Begin to look for affiliates in your host country. Reach out to the Fulbright Alumni Ambassadors for possible assistance.

June to August | Request letters of recommendations and language evaluation (if needed) | • Request letters of recommendation at least 4 weeks before you need the letter to be submitted. Once you have asked your recommenders and submitted their name and email in the online application, please be sure to notify them and send over your 2 statements. This will allow ample time for the recommender to write a strong letter that will incorporate your research, skills, and capabilities.
• Give your recommenders an earlier deadline than when you actually need the letters. This will give you an opportunity to extend your deadline, should the recommenders request one.

August 3rd | Submit both statements to uclafellowship@grad.ucla.edu (Optional) | • This is optional but will be very beneficial to all those who turn in their statements.
• By submitting your personal statement and statement of grant purpose, you have the opportunity to receive invaluable feedback from faculty reviewers. This will allow you to make edits that can help strengthen your statements before the campus deadline.
• Feedback will be sent back 3-5 days before the campus deadline.

September 3rd | Fulbright US Campus Deadline! Submit your FULL application online, turn in your application checklist, and consent to publish form | • Students must submit their entire application online via Fulbright Application Portal. The Fulbright Program Advisor (FPA) will have access to your application and can release the application back to you before the campus deadline.
• Those who submit by the campus deadline will receive a campus interview
• Also, please remember to submit your application checklist and consent to publish form. Without both forms, an interview will not be scheduled.

September 28 – October 2 | Fulbright US Campus Interviews | • Campus interviews will be around 20-30 minutes long with 1-2 faculty members.
• After your Fulbright interview, you will receive a campus evaluation from the faculty. Please note that you will not have access to the evaluation.
• Once all interviews have concluded, your application will be released back to you for final revisions before the final campus deadline.

October 8th at 4pm | Final Fulbright US Campus Deadline! | • Before submitting, please make sure you included all your application components. You can check the Fulbright Application Checklist to see what is needed for each program.
• Students must submit their entire application online AGAIN via Fulbright Application Portal.
• Once submitted, the FPA will manually upload your evaluation into your application.

The Fulbright US national/at-large deadline is October 13th at 5:00pm EST.

Fulbright US Selection Process

The Fulbright US goes through two selection processes – first with the National Screening Committee (NSC) in the U.S. and then to the Fulbright commission in your host country. You will be notified by January 2021 if you have advanced to the second round to the Fulbright commission in the host country. The factors in selection consists of your project’s feasibility, your capabilities and qualifications to represent the U.S. as a Fulbright Ambassador. Finalists will be notified between March 2021–May 2021.

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