## Fulbright US Student Program

### Grants for Graduate Study, Research or Teaching Assistantships Abroad

The information on these pages was compiled for easy reference. However, the Fulbright US Student Program website ([us.fulbrightonline.org/](http://us.fulbrightonline.org/)) contains the most accurate information and up-to-date material. In case of conflicting information, always refer to the Fulbright US Student Program site.

In addition to these pages, we highly recommend that you read the application tips at [us.fulbrightonline.org/applicants/application-tips](http://us.fulbrightonline.org/applicants/application-tips).

Information Sessions will be held starting in Winter quarter and will run through Summer.

| UCLA Campus Deadline (Online & Hardcopies) | • Mid-August (check [https://grad.ucla.edu/funding/financial-aid/fulbright-fellowships/](https://grad.ucla.edu/funding/financial-aid/fulbright-fellowships/))  
| | • Current UCLA students must apply through UCLA Fulbright US Student National Deadline: October  
| | • Alumni may apply through UCLA or “At-Large” |
| Eligibility | • All disciplines  
| | • US Citizens  
| | • Hold at least a Bachelor’s degree before going abroad  
| | **You will be less competitive if you:**  
| | • have residency over 6 months in the host country  
| | • have extensive research in the host country  
| | • have received formal education or a degree in the host country  
| | • are already in the host country and seek to continue your current study |
| Grant | **Types:** research, study, creative & performing arts, business internship or MBA degree, English Teaching Assistantships, Fulbright–Clinton Public Policy Fellowships, Fulbright–National Geographic Fellowships, Critical Language Enhancement Awards, travel grants  
| | **Duration:** depends on the academic year of the host country  
| | Contact the Fulbright Regional Manager for country-specific questions [http://us.fulbrightonline.org/component/content/article?id=105](http://us.fulbrightonline.org/component/content/article?id=105) |
| Alumni | **Apply through UCLA:**  
| | • By the campus deadline of mid-August (check here for details)  
| | • Campus Coordinator will double-check your application and work  
| | **Or apply “At-Large” (directly to Fulbright) if eligible:**  
| | • Fulbright national deadline: October  
| | • Refer to the [Fulbright website](http://us.fulbrightonline.org/alumni) for up-to-date information |
| Application | Application available online May 1, at [us.fulbrightonline.org](http://us.fulbrightonline.org) |
| Diversity | Indicate on the application form your ethnic background, institution/university/college, field of study, specific topic, etc. |
| Past Fellows | Find past Fellows on the [Fulbright website](http://us.fulbrightonline.org/alumni) Get input, advice from people who have gone before you. If contact info is unavailable, check the [UCLA online directory](http://us.fulbrightonline.org/alumni). |
| On-Campus Interview | Interviews take place in late-September to early-October  
| | Campus committee will consist of 2 professors from your general field of study. Interviews are 20 to 30 minutes long.  
| | • Dress professionally  
| | • Fully answer each question  
| | • Be prompt! 10 minutes early is on time  
| | • Sample interview questions are available through the campus Coordinator |
### Selection Stages
- Campus Interview
- All applications are forwarded to the National Screening Committee in New York City regardless of campus rating
- First-round decision notifications are emailed by Fulbright directly to you in late January
- Second-round reviews by the supervising agency in the host country
- Final-round reviews by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board in Washington, DC
- Award decisions by email between April and June.

### Application Packet

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<td>• Include one copy of your application checklist with your hardcopies for the campus deadline&lt;br&gt;• 2 sets of your application (and 2 copies of your supplemental materials if applying for an arts grant)&lt;br&gt;• submitted to 1228 Murphy Hall by campus deadline&lt;br&gt;• Late submissions may not receive a campus review nor a campus interview</td>
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<td>Study/ Research Statement of Grant Purpose</td>
<td>• 2-pages single-spaced&lt;br&gt;• 1-inch margins all around&lt;br&gt;• Times New Roman 12-pt. font&lt;br&gt;• Include the correct title information on each page as described under “Instructions.”&lt;br&gt;  o On Line 1: Statement of Grant purpose.&lt;br&gt;  o On Line 2: Name, Country of Application, and Field of Study.&lt;br&gt;  o On Line 3: Project Title as it appears in the Biographical Data Section of the application.&lt;br&gt;• Samples of past successful proposals available in 1228 Murphy Hall</td>
<td>• Introduction - Strong introductory paragraph that can capture the reader’s attention right away. Do not wander around.&lt;br&gt;• Preliminary research - what have you done to prepare for this project?&lt;br&gt;• Timeline - give some type of general timeline; it is fine to talk in terms of months.&lt;br&gt;• Methods - do you have clear and, if possible, mixed methodologies?&lt;br&gt;• Feasibility - can you finish this project in the time period that you say you will?&lt;br&gt;• Relevance for the academic and local communities in the U.S. and host country&lt;br&gt;• Why must you go to this country to complete your work?&lt;br&gt;• Originality - uniquely your own. Is this a project that has been done before?&lt;br&gt;• Urgent issue(s)&lt;br&gt;• A part of a larger project&lt;br&gt;• Focus on one site&lt;br&gt;• Audience - “intelligent ignoramus”&lt;br&gt;• Avoid jargon</td>
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For proposal-writing consultation contact:
**Graduate Writing Center**
B11 Student Activities Center<br>Web: [http://gsrc.ucla.edu/gwc/](http://gsrc.ucla.edu/gwc/)<br>E-mail: gwc@gsa.asucla.ucla.edu<br>Phone: (310) 267-4805<br>Hours: Monday–Friday, 9am–5pm<br>Appointments: [https://app.gsrc.ucla.edu/gwc/reservations](https://app.gsrc.ucla.edu/gwc/reservations)
### Scholarship Resource Center
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Web: [www.scholarshipcenter.ucla.edu](http://www.scholarshipcenter.ucla.edu)  
E-mail: src@college.ucla.edu  
Phone: (310) 206-2875  
Hours: Monday – Friday  
11am–6pm, Academic Year  
Noon–5pm, Summer

### English Teaching Assistant (ETA) Statement of Grant Purpose

- 1 page single spaced  
- 1-inch margins all around  
- Times New Roman 12 pt. font  
- Include the correct title information on each page as described under “Instructions.”  
  - On Line 1: Statement of Grant Purpose.  
  - On Line 2: Name, Country of Application, and Field of Study.  
- Samples of past successful proposals available in 1228 Murphy Hall

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Phone: (310) 267-4805  
Hours: Monday – Friday, 9am–5pm  
Appointments: [https://app.gsnc.edu/gwc/reservations](https://app.gsnc.edu/gwc/reservations)

### Personal Statement

- 1 page single-spaced  
- 1-inch margins all around  
- Times New Roman 12 pt. font  
- Include the correct title information on each page as described in the online “Instructions.”  
  - On Line 1: Personal Statement  
  - On Line 2: Name, Country of Application, and Field of Study.

### Letter(s) of Affiliation(s)

- Required.  
- Must be on official institutional or company letterhead with original signatures; no emails  
- **Must be in English** (if not, applicants can translate it and indicate themselves as the translator); samples available  
- Start to establish contacts NOW! Seek advice from faculty mentors  
- States the level of support and resources available  
- Give a copy of your research proposal and curriculum vitae/resume to the institution/person  
- Ask them to note the **campus**

- Avoid being overly ambitious  
- Proof-read; revise & revise!!!

- Introduction - Strong introductory paragraph that can capture the reader’s attention right away. Do not wander around.  
- Country- why are you selecting this country to complete your ETA?  
- Previous Experience - Any related teaching experience/qualifications/trainings  
- How will you make the most of your time when not teaching (given that ETAs only work 20–30 hours a week)?  
- Goals - State goals and how ETA is necessary step to achieve these goals  
- Overall Experience - Benefit of ETA and what you will make of it upon returning to US  
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| • You must upload your letter(s) of affiliation(s) to your online application  
  • Multiple affiliations are accepted; three is the suggested maximum number of affiliations  
  • Fulbright database for contacts: [www.cies.org](http://www.cies.org) | • Must register each Referee (three total) through online application with their valid email address  
  • Letters of reference must be submitted online by your Referees  
  • Cover sheet  
  • Recommendation letter must be on official institutional letterhead  
  • Electronic signature(s) of letter writer(s)  
  • All language(s) needed to complete the research project must be evaluated | • Obtain unofficial transcripts from the UCLA Registrar’s Office or from MyUCLA  
  • Not acceptable: URSA Report  
  • Undergraduate and graduate studies | • Completed application including electronic signature and date  
  • Statement of Grant Purpose  
  • Letter(s) of Affiliation  
  • Personal Statement  
  • Language self-evaluation  
  • Language Evaluation  
  • 3 References  
  • Unofficial Transcripts  
  • Application Checklist with interview timetable |
| • Should be a language professor or instructor on campus or at an accredited institution  
  • Evaluator decides the evaluation method  
  • Ask them to note the campus deadline  
  • Applicants are encouraged to begin language courses if they currently have low proficiency  
  • You are more competitive if you are at “near-native” or “native speaker” fluency for humanities and social sciences fields  
  • If your language evaluator is also your referee, please register that person using a different email address for each role. | • Ask early! (before summer begins)  
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  • Give a copy of your research proposal and curriculum vitae/resume to your recommenders  
  • Submit community college/study abroad transcripts only when courses are relevant to your field of study/proposed project. | • By the campus deadline, submit your application online and hardcopies (one original + one copy = total of 2 sets) of all materials (including two copies of all supplemental materials if applying for an arts grant) to the campus Coordinator in 1228 Murphy Hall. Language evaluations and letters of reference will be downloaded from your online application by the campus Coordinator and added with your submitted application for campus review. | • By the campus deadline, submit your application online and hardcopies (one original + one copy = total of 2 sets) of all materials (including two copies of all supplemental materials if applying for an arts grant) to the campus Coordinator in 1228 Murphy Hall. Language evaluations and letters of reference will be downloaded from your online application by the campus Coordinator and added with your submitted application for campus review.  
  • The campus coordinator may be contacted via e-mail at uclafellowship@grad.ucla.edu or phone at 310.825.1025. |