Fulbright Interest Form
2020-2021 Student Fulbright Awards

Type of Fulbright Grant to be applied for (check one): ☐ ETA ☐ Arts ☐ Research/Academic*

*If applying for a research/academic grant, please give a brief description of your research project, including the university or organization with whom you plan to be affiliated. Remember, for the research/academic award, you must provide your letter of affiliation at the time of your Fulbright application submission.

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Start early. You must meet the campus deadline of Noon, Thursday, September 5, 2019.

Steps to take:
☐ 1. Research the Fulbright website at http://us.fulbrightonline.org. Use the video at http://international.ua.edu/fulbright/students/ titled "How to Get Started on the Fulbright Website".
☐ 2. Research your country/countries of interest.
☐ 3. Compile a list of questions about the Fulbright application to discuss with Dr. Beverly Hawk or Dr. Matthew Feminella, UA Fulbright Advisors.
☐ 4. After you have completed steps 1-3, schedule meetings with Dr. Hawk (beverly.hawk@ua.edu) or Dr. Feminella (mfeminella@ua.edu) to discuss your application. Work with your FPA from spring through September for final polish of your beautiful application.
☐ 5. Maintain a copy of this interest form for your records and submit the original to Dr. Beverly Hawk or Dr. Matthew Feminella at least three days prior to your meeting with him or her. Complete and sign the FERPA form.
☐ 6. Complete the Fulbright academic application (steps outlined below in the “Application Components” section).

UA Deadline, Thursday, September 5, 2019.

Application Components. All due September 5.
You are responsible for submitting each portion of your application on the website. Study it well.
For details refer to: http://us.fulbrightonline.org/application-components
Begin the Embark application by going to the U.S. Student Fulbright Website, choosing “Applicants” from the navigation bar and selecting “Embark Online Application”. After you register for Embark you will be sent an email with “Tips for Completing the Fulbright Application” video to watch.
☐ 1. Biographical Data application form, see website
☐ 2. Statement of Grant Purpose essay
☐ 3. Affiliation Letter (for research/academic applications only)
☐ 4. Personal Statement essay
☐ 5. Foreign Language Forms when required. Everyone should complete form 7.
☐ 6. References (3), due September 10. (Research and ETA references are different, ask your FPA.)
☐ 7. Official Transcripts. For UA transcripts see http://registrar.ua.edu/services/transcripts/. These need to be ordered and there is a small fee.
☐ 8. For select countries: Critical Language Enhancement Award Statement
   China (mainland China program only), Egypt, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Morocco, Russia.
   See: http://us.fulbrightonline.org/about/types-of-awards/critical-language-enhancement-award
If you are applying for a Critical Language Enhancement Award, you must complete the Critical Language Enhancement Award Supplementary Statement which details your language preparation, the host country language program desired, and a brief explanation of how the additional language training will impact your Fulbright experience and future career plans.

If you are applying for an Arts award, you will also be uploading a portfolio. See instructions on the website.

☐ 7. Ms. Megan Wagner at CIC, Fulbright Program Advisor in charge of the review process, cic@ua.edu, will communicate with you to schedule your interview with the campus interview committee September 10-13, 2019.

☐ 8. Attend the campus interview (September 10-13, 2019).
   • Interview will be approximately 30 minutes at your scheduled time
   • Professional dress is appropriate
   • The professors on the interview committee will have your application before them
   • On campus location: To be determined

☐ 9. After you have received the suggestions of the committee, make any necessary revisions to your Application, Statement of Grant Purpose, or Personal Statement (within 3 days after you receive the feedback).

☐ 10. Submit all items through the national Fulbright online application system the final time no later than 12:00 pm (noon), Thursday, September 26, 2019. Megan Wagner will attach the interview committee’s assessment to your application and submit the complete file before the national deadline. We expect to receive the notification of the results from the Fulbright Program in April 2020.