FULBRIGHT U.S. STUDENT PROGRAM
INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION-U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE
RESEARCH/STUDY GRANT

This document was created to assist graduate students with their Fulbright research/study grant application. For assistance with ETA grants, Fulbright-Nat Geo, or Fulbright-Fogarty, please visit the Fulbright website. If you are an undergraduate student, please contact the Office of Global Awards for assistance.

As you review these instructions, remember that the Fulbright website contains the most accurate and up-to-date material. In case of conflicting information, always refer to the Fulbright website.

In addition to this document, it is highly recommended that you also read the “Getting Started” at http://us.fulbrightonline.org/applicants/getting-started.

2021-2022 APPLICATION CYCLE
• Application available online: March 31, 2020
• Instructions available: http://us.fulbrightonline.org/

NYU DEADLINES
• NYU Campus Deadline: August 24, 2020
• All applicants and their recommenders wishing to apply through NYU must follow the final campus deadline

ELIGIBILITY
• U.S. Citizen
• Interest in cultural ambassadorship
• Hold a bachelor's degree before the grant start date
• Have not yet filed PhD dissertation
• Present a plan/project that can be completed in one year

GRANT LOGISTICS
• 8-12 months (each country sets their own standards)
• Available in most countries, excluding the U.S.

APPLICATION

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be feasible within the 8-12 month time constraints.

**Personal Statement**
- **How has your background influenced your development and how does that relate to the Fulbright opportunity?**
  - 1-page, single-spaced, 12 pt font, Times New Roman, 1" margins
- **Do not repeat information from the Biographical Data or Statement of Purpose**
- **What makes you a good cultural ambassador?**
- **Leadership skills, community involvement**
- **How will this opportunity help your personal evolution/development?**

**Letter of Affiliation**
- **Check country summary to see if this is necessary.**
- **Should be on official institutional letterhead**
- **Must be in English** (if not, applicant may translate the letter and indicate themselves as the translator; must include the original)
- **Can have multiple affiliations in-country**
- **Must be submitted on/before NYU deadline**
  - Start your search as soon as possible—most successful letters are usually from universities
  - See if there is a current Fulbright scholar, faculty member, or someone in your department who can help introduce you to a potential contact.
  - Give a copy of your research proposal and curriculum vitae to the institution
  - State the level of support and resources available

**Foreign Language Forms**
- **Check country summary to see if this is needed.**
- **If Strongly Recommended, you must submit a self-evaluation form and a Foreign Language Evaluation Form**
- **A reference is needed for all necessary languages**
- **If English is a national language and you are a native speaker, then you do not need to submit unless you will use another foreign language for the research.**
- **Must be submitted on/before NYU deadline**
  - You will be more competitive if you are at "near-native" or "native speaker" fluency, but less competitive if the language used is your native language.
  - Begin language courses if you are currently at a low proficiency and organize/detail your path to proficiency

**Letters of Reference**
- **3 references**
  - Include evaluation cover sheet and letter of support
  - Recommenders should show familiarity with applicant's project and qualification; these are not pure character references
- **Must be submitted on/before NYU deadline**
  - Begin this process as soon as possible. We recommend that you contact your references in the spring semester, as many faculty members are away from campus in the summer.
  - Give a copy of your research proposal and curriculum vitae to your recommenders
  - Resend notification if your referees never received it or lost it

**Transcripts**
- **Scan and upload your transcripts directly to the application portal**
  - Can be official or unofficial
  - Undergraduate and graduate needed
  - Transcripts also must be submitted for other institutions where you received credit for coursework
- **Unofficial transcripts can be viewed and printed from Albert. Navigate to the "My Academics" section of the Student Center to generate. Select "View my unofficial transcript," and be sure your pop-up blocker is off on your browser.**

**CHECKLIST**

- Biographical Data
- Statement of Grant Purpose
- Personal Statement
- Affiliation Letter (if needed)
- Foreign Language Forms (if needed)
- 3 References
- Transcripts

**QUESTIONS**

For questions or to make an appointment to discuss your application, please contact Abby Williams at abby.williams@nyu.edu.