Hispanic-Serving Institutions and Fulbright: Global Impact

Since 1946, the Fulbright Program has given hundreds of thousands of students, scholars, teachers, artists, and professionals the opportunity to study, teach, conduct research, exchange ideas, and contribute to finding solutions to complex global issues. The Fulbright Program works closely with stakeholders including the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) to promote international exchange opportunities to staff, students, and faculty at Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) and takes concerted steps to ensure that participants have successful and rewarding experiences before, during, and after their exchanges.

Fulbright Opportunities for U.S. Students, Scholars and Administrators

For faculty, administrators, and professionals

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Awards allow approximately 800 U.S. academics and professionals at all levels to teach or conduct research in one of 135 host countries.

The Fulbright International Education Administrators Awards enable U.S. higher education administrators to learn about other countries’ higher education systems.

Special initiatives such as the Fulbright Public Policy Fellowship and the Fulbright Arctic and Fulbright Amazonia Programs bring U.S. experts in specific fields and regions together to engage with their counterparts abroad on shared priorities.

The Fulbright Specialist Program sends experienced U.S. faculty and professionals to serve as expert consultants and engage in education and training activities for a period of two to six weeks.

For graduating seniors, graduate students, and recent graduates

The Fulbright U.S. Student Program allows approximately 2,000 U.S. graduating college seniors, graduate students, young professionals, and artists to pursue graduate or professional studies, and conduct research abroad.

The Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Program places U.S. recent college graduates and young professionals abroad to teach English in primary through university level classrooms.

The Fulbright-National Geographic Award enhances U.S. citizens’ research/study projects on globally significant themes, and the Fulbright-Fogarty Fellowship in Public Health promotes research by U.S. medical students and graduate researchers in resource-limited settings.

“I know first-hand how traveling abroad...in a new culture and country transforms you. The Fulbright programs continued to fuel my passion to provide international experiences to those students who would never be able to reach them. One of the goals of my presidencies was to provide short-term international experiences for these students.”

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Welcome International Students and Scholars to Your Campus

Fulbright visiting students and scholars contribute to institutional internationalization strategies and support curriculum needs when they share their expertise, establish international research partnerships and build international networks.

The **Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence Program** funds non-U.S. scholars to teach at institutions that wish to increase their international efforts. The **Outreach Lecturing Fund** covers the cost for institutions to host Fulbright Visiting Scholars, who are already in the United States, for short-term visits to present on academic disciplines and cultural understanding.

The **Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program** brings approximately 900 foreign scholars to research and lecture for up to a year at U.S. colleges and universities. Scholars apply in their home country for Fulbright awards through the local Fulbright Commission or U.S. Embassy.

The **Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Program** funds early career English teachers from overseas to teach over 35 languages at U.S. colleges and universities. FLTA institutional hosts support their students in learning foreign languages, developing multi-cultural competencies and preparing for a global marketplace.

The **Fulbright Foreign Student Program** brings 4,000 graduate students, early career professionals, and artists from abroad annually to conduct research and study in the United States, and take part in Fulbright seminars where they learn about American culture and volunteer in local communities.

Fulbright's Advising on Campus and Virtually

The Fulbright Program provides robust resources to support HSI engagement. During the application period, the program hosts regular virtual office hours and offers regular workshops and webinars in English and Spanish for applicants and administrators who want to learn more about Fulbright's programs for students and scholars, as well as virtual advising for faculty who are interested in the Fulbright Specialist Program and International Education Administrators Program. There are also officially appointed Fulbright representatives on many campuses, who promote the program and support both students and scholars through the application process. To learn more about available resources on your campus, email outreach@iie.org.

Fulbright HSI Leaders

Each year, the Fulbright Program recognizes HSI Leaders for sending and hosting U.S. and international Fulbright students, scholars, and specialists, as well as on-campus engagement and support of the Fulbright Program. HSI Leaders are announced annually at the HACU Conference.

“Fulbright has a solid record of recruiting and selecting people from diverse backgrounds and helping to ensure that those individuals have successful and rewarding experiences abroad. I salute the State Department for launching this Fulbright HSI Leaders initiative to build on that record by expanding the representation of HSIs in the Fulbright Program.”

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