

## 2019-2020 FULBRIGHT PROGRAM FOR U.S. STUDENTS

### Hampshire College Applicant Instructions

Application essays due August 6 - 27 2018; Full application due Sept. 10, 2018

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The 2019-2020 Fulbright U.S. Student Program competition opens on April 2, 2018, for grants beginning in late summer/fall 2019. The **Hampshire full application deadline is Monday, September 10, 2018.**

**Goal and Eligibility:** The goal of the Fulbright is to increase mutual understanding through exchange. Basic eligibility includes: U.S. citizenship, Bachelor's or equivalent by start of grant, less than ~5 years professional experience, no doctorate, and country specific requirements.

#### Primary Types of Grants:

- Study/Research (independent study, research, or arts projects): 950+ awards in ~140 countries
- English Teaching (help teach English & U.S. Culture): ~1200+ awards in ~ 75 countries
- Fulbright-National Geographic Digital Storytelling Fellowship 4 awards

Look closely at the types of grants and assess your strengths and weaknesses against the award criteria before deciding to apply; think language and country requirements as well as topic/focus.

**Grant Benefits for ALL Fulbrights:** Airfare, monthly stipend, accident and sickness benefits

- Other Possible Benefits (varies, depending on grant and host country)
  - Research Allowance, Tuition and/or Language Lessons
  - Enhancement Activities
  - Support For Dependents, Disability-Related Accommodation

**Nomination by Hampshire College** is an advantage to you and is required for current students. Alumni who wish to work with the Fulbright Program Advisors and receive an evaluation by the Campus Committee **must** apply through Hampshire, with an EARLIER application deadline than the national deadline. It's worth noting that applicants who go through the campus process are generally more successful, so we encourage you to work with the resources at Hampshire.

- If you wish to apply, have questions about the Fulbright or your application, please contact Fulbright Program Advisor, Carin Rank ([crank@hampshire.edu](mailto:crank@hampshire.edu); schedule an appointment at [corchamphshire.checkappointments.com](http://corchamphshire.checkappointments.com); x5445) OR Fulbright Faculty Liaison, Rachel Rubinstein ([rrHACU@hampshire.edu](mailto:rrHACU@hampshire.edu); schedule appointments through CASA, x5498)
- It is your responsibility to ensure that all portions of the application, including letters of affiliation, recommendations, and language evaluations, are received by the Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> deadline. See the Fulbright website for application info at: <http://us.fulbrightonline.org>.
- You will be assigned a Hampshire Fulbright Mentor, who will offer additional guidance and feedback on your application materials before the October deadline.
- As you're requesting transcripts or letters of recommendation and/or affiliation from outside the College (particularly from outside the U.S.), please do so early. It often takes weeks and months to set up affiliations, and we suggest you allow people a month to write a letter in support of you. Allow two weeks for your Hampshire transcript.

#### Advice and Assistance:

We encourage you to seek advice and assistance from a variety of sources, including faculty, your Fulbright Program Advisor, and others who have knowledge of the host country and/or your field. See "Fulbright Tips for Hampshire Applicants" (Link) for more specific info.

- To receive notices of updates, events, etc. about the Fulbright, sign up for the Hampshire College Fulbright listserve at: [lists.hampshire.edu](mailto:lists.hampshire.edu) -> Fulbright

## Hampshire College Fulbright Timeline:

The following deadlines and details are intended to support you through the application process!

STEPS	DATE	REQUIREMENTS & NOTES
Preparation	January-August 2018	Requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Design project; talk with faculty and FPA about project.</li> <li>- Reach out to potential affiliation contacts; secure affiliation</li> <li>- Prepare application materials</li> </ul>
Preliminary Deadline	Monday, August 6, 2018 through Monday August 27, 2018	Email <b>Word docs</b> to Carin: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Draft of Statement of Purpose; Draft of Personal Statement</li> <li>- Status of Affiliation or summary of contacts you've made and results thus far</li> <li>- Brief statement about your language skills and plans for a language evaluation.</li> <li>- We will give feedback on these, so you can revise for the September deadline.</li> </ul>
Campus Application Deadline	Monday, Sept. 10, 2018	Submit <i>complete</i> application materials to the Campus Committee using the <a href="#">Embark Online Application System</a> . Complete all application pieces; this will be forwarded to the Campus Committee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Missing or incomplete application components will hinder the interview and the ability of the Campus Committee to write you the strongest evaluation possible.</li> </ul>
Campus Committee Interviews	Mid September 2018 (Days and Times TBD)	Committee members will ask you questions and offer feedback. Your complete application gives us the opportunity to discuss significant topics, rather than incomplete materials, and afterwards, write a thorough and strong Campus Committee Evaluation.
Revisions to Application	Post Campus Interview	Your application will be made available so you make changes to it, based on the interview feedback, before resubmitting for the final Fulbright deadline.
Fulbright Deadline	Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2018, 5 p.m.	Resubmit your revised, completed application electronically via embark.
U.S. Screening Committee Decisions	Late January 2019	You'll learn if your application is referred to the host country's screening group in late January.
Commissions, Embassies, Boards	February-May 2019	Some countries conduct interviews.
Final Notifications	March-June 2019	You will hear from Fulbright about the country's selections.