

FULBRIGHT PROGRAM FOR U.S. STUDENTS

Hampshire College Applicant Instructions

2017-2018 Competition; *Apply in Summer/Fall 2016*

The 2017-2018 Fulbright U.S. Student Program competition opens in the spring of 2016, for grants beginning in late summer/fall 2017.

Nomination by Hampshire College 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 do so.

- If you wish to apply, have questions about the Fulbright or your application, please contact Fulbright Program Advisor, Carin Rank (crank@hampshire.edu; schedule an appointment at corchamphshire.checkappointments.com; x5445) OR Fulbright Faculty Liaison, Rachel Rubinstein (rrHACU@hampshire.edu; schedule appointments through CASA, x5498)
- It is your responsibility to ensure that all portions of the application, including letters of affiliation and recommendations, are received by the appropriate deadline. (See below.)
- After the August deadline, you will be assigned a Hampshire Fulbright Mentor, who will offer additional guidance and feedback on your application materials.
- 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.
- Additional information is available on the [U.S. Fulbright website](http://us.fulbrightonline.org): <http://us.fulbrightonline.org>.

THESE DEADLINES & DETAILS ARE INTENDED TO GUIDE YOU THROUGH THE APPLICATION PROCESS!

DEADLINE	DATE	REQUIREMENTS & NOTES
Preparation	April-August	Requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Design project- Reach out to potential affiliation contacts; secure affiliation- Prepare application materials- Be in touch with FPAs
Preliminary Deadline	Wednesday August 10, 2016 by 12 p.m.	Email Word docs to Carin: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Draft of Statement of Purpose- Draft of Personal Statement- Status of Affiliation or summary of contacts you've made and results thus far- Brief statement about your language skills and plans for a language evaluation as appropriate.
Campus Application Deadline	Monday September 12, 2016 by 12 p.m.	Submit <i>complete</i> application materials to the Campus Committee using the Embark Online Application System (https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/usa/27/): <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Complete all application pieces; this will be forwarded to the Campus Committee.- Missing or incomplete application components will hinder the interview and the ability of the Campus Committee to write you the strongest evaluation possible.

Campus Committee Interviews	Late September and Early October 2015 (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	Between Campus Interview and Fulbright Deadline	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 October 11, 2016, 5 p.m.	Resubmit your revised, completed application electronically via embark.
National Screening Committees	November-December 2016; you'll learn in January/February if you've been referred on to your country's screening group.	n/a
Commissions/Embassies Foreign Scholarship Board	January-May 2016	n/a
Final Notifications	March-June 2016	n/a

TYPES OF GRANTS

The Fulbright program is competitive. We encourage you to look closely at the types of grants, and to assess your strengths and weaknesses against the criteria for the award before deciding to apply. The primary types of grants are:

- Study/Research (in academic fields or visual, written, and performing arts)
- English Teaching Assistantships
- Fulbright-National Geographic Digital Storytelling Fellowship

Grant Benefits Include:

- Round-trip Airfare
- Monthly Stipend
- Limited Accident & Sickness Benefits
- Other Possible Benefits (varies, depending on grant and host country)
 - Support For Dependents
 - Research Allowance
 - Tuition
 - Language Lessons
 - Enhancement Activities
 - Disability-Related Accommodations

ADVICE & ASSISTANCE

You may seek advice and assistance from a variety of sources, including faculty, 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.