#### FULBRIGHT PROGRAM FOR U.S. STUDENTS

## Hampshire College Applicant Instructions: 2016-2017 Competition

The 2016-2017 Fulbright U.S. Student Program competition opens in the spring of 2015, for grants beginning in late summer/fall 2016.

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. 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 Advisors Carin Rank (<a href="mailto:crank@hampshire.edu">crank@hampshire.edu</a>) and Jena Schwartz (<a href="jsschwartz@hampshire.edu">jschwartz@hampshire.edu</a>) or schedule an appointment.
- It is your responsibility to ensure that all portions of the application, including letters of affiliation and recommendations, are received by the appropriate deadline.
- If 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. These materials may take several weeks to arrive. Allow two weeks for your Hampshire transcript.
- Additional information is available on the U.S. Fulbright website: http://us.fulbrightonline.org.

# THESE DEADLINES & DETAILS ARE INTENDED TO GUIDE YOU THROUGH THE APPLICATION PROCESS. PLEASE PAY CLOSE ATTENTION!

DEADLINE	DATE	REQUIREMENTS & NOTES
Preparation	April-August	Requirements: - Design project - Secure affiliation - Prepare application materials - Be in touch with FPAs
Preliminary Deadline	Tuesday August 11, 2015 by 12 p.m.	Email Word docs to Jena & Carin: - Draft of Statement of Purpose - Draft of Personal Statement - Status of Affiliation or summary of contacts you've made and results thus far
Campus Application Deadline	Monday September 14, 2015 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/): - See checklist for detailed application components - 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. A 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	All applications will be made available so you make changes to your application, based on the interview feedback, before resubmitting for the final Fulbright deadline.
Fulbright Deadline	Tuesday October 13, 2015, 5 p.m.	Resubmit your revised, completed application electronically via embark.
National Screening Committees	November-December 2015; 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

#### **Grant Benefits Include:**

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

#### **ADVICE & ASSISTANCE**

You may seek advice and assistance from a variety of sources, including faculty, Fulbright Program Advisors, and others who have knowledge of the host country and/or your field.

See Fulbright Tips for Hampshire Applicants (Link) for more specific info.