

FULBRIGHT PROGRAM FOR U.S. STUDENTS
Hampshire College Applicant Instructions
2021-2022 Fulbrights; Apply in August 2020

The 2021-2022 Fulbright U.S. Student Program competition opens March 31, 2020, for grants beginning in late summer/fall 2021. The Hampshire **full application deadline is September 9.**

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, no more than 5 or so years professional experience, no doctorate, and country specific requirements.

Primary Types of Grants:

- Study/Research (in academic fields or visual, written, and performing arts): ~950 awards
- English Teaching Assistantships ~1200 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 use the campus support.

- 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 corchamshire.checkappointments.com; x5445)
- It is your responsibility to ensure that all portions of the application, including letters of affiliation, recommendations, and language evaluations, are received by the appropriate deadline - September for Hampshire support and October to submit final applications.
- 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.

- To receive notices of updates, events, etc. about the Fulbright, sign up for the Hampshire College Fulbright list serve at: lists.hampshire.edu -> Fulbright

(over)

Hampshire College Fulbright Timeline:

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

STEPS	DATE	REQUIREMENTS & NOTES
Preparation	January-June 2020	Requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Design project; talk with faculty and FPA about project. - Reach out to potential affiliation contacts; secure affiliation - Prepare application materials
Preliminary Deadline	Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2020, (with some flexibility here)	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. - The sooner the better; we want you to be able to incorporate feedback for the September 9 deadline.
Campus Application Deadline	Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2020	Submit <i>complete</i> application materials to the Campus Committee using the Fulbright on-line application system. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complete all application pieces; this will be forwarded to the Campus Committee. - <i>Missing or incomplete application components will hinder the interview and the ability of the Campus Committee to write you the strongest evaluation possible.</i>
Campus Committee Interviews	Mid September 2020 (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	Campus Interview to 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	Tues. October 6 by 5 p.m.	Resubmit your revised, completed application electronically.
U.S. Screening Committee Decisions	January 2021	You'll learn if your application is referred to the host country's screening group.
In-country evaluation and decisions	February-May 2021	Some countries conduct interviews; most do not.
Final Notifications	March-June 2021	You will hear from Fulbright about the country's selections.