Outreach Lecturing Fund

Advance knowledge, redefine teaching, and bring international perspectives and experience to your campus, organization, and community

The Outreach Lecturing Fund (OLF) is an opportunity for U.S. higher education institutions to host Fulbright Visiting Scholars already in the United States for short-term speaking engagements. Institutions apply to host a scholar for 2 to 6 days, and plan activities that would enhance campus participation in international educational exchange.

Responsibilities of Host Institutions and Organizations

Institutions wishing to invite a Fulbright Scholar for an Outreach Lecturing Fund visit should develop a comprehensive plan of activities and arrangements to share with the scholar well in advance of the proposed visit. The OLF grant amount is intended to cover travel costs associated with the visit. Host institutions are expected to cover the following expenses for the scholar: local transportation, lodging, and meals.

Supplemental funding for local transportation and lodging may be available upon request of the host at the time of application.

Special consideration will be given to campuses that have not previously participated in Fulbright exchanges, including minority-serving institutions, liberal arts colleges, women’s colleges, art schools, community colleges, and rural institutions.

How U.S. Institutions Can Use OLF Visits

Alvernia University hosted a Fulbright Visiting Scholar from Brazil whose primary host institution was the University of Iowa. The scholar spoke on the topic of “Hidden Dialogues Between Two Americas” to students and faculty.

Florida International University partnered with Brownsville Community Garden to host a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence from Burkina Faso. The scholar hosted multiple lectures and dance performances promoting Diversity and Peace. These lectures included the following topics “Diversity Deepens our Connections to Each Other” and “Diversity nourishes Peace”. The scholar’s primary host was Naugatuck Valley Community College in Connecticut.

Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute hosted a Fulbright Visiting Scholar from India who lectured on gender and cultural issues in India and screened the documentary XXWhy: A Transgender Story.

Wartburg College partnered with Hawkeye Community College and Waverly Shell-Rock High School to host a Costa Rican Scholar to conduct multiple lectures on “The Role of Language as a Vehicle for Learning Culture and Defining Identity” and “The Importance of Becoming a Global Citizen.” The scholar also spoke to multiple ESL departments and Spanish classes about the importance of foreign language learning.

Western Nevada College hosted a Fulbright Visiting Scholar from Tunisia who lectured on agriculture and drought conditions in arid regions. Her primary host was the United States Department of Agriculture.
Scholar-in-Residence Program

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Internationalizing U.S. Campuses, Curricula, and Communities

Through the Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence (S-I-R) Program, U.S. colleges and universities collaborate with scholars from other countries to assist in internationalizing U.S. campuses, curricula and communities.

Fulbright S-I-Rs teach primarily at the undergraduate level in their areas of expertise and provide a cross-cultural or international perspective to promote curricula and program development. Their activities enhance the institution’s international/global studies programs, assist in the development of interdisciplinary program offerings and broaden international cooperation. In addition, Fulbright S-I-Rs are expected to engage in both on-campus and community activities throughout the program’s duration.

U.S. colleges and universities apply to the Institute of International Education (IIE) to host a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence for either one semester or an academic year. The Scholar can be in most academic disciplines provided that the courses taught offer an international perspective. Institutions can propose a specific candidate by name, or IIE can work with U.S. Embassies and Fulbright Commissions abroad to recruit a scholar whose background is appropriate for the proposed activities.

ELIGIBILITY

Any accredited U.S. institution of higher learning is eligible to apply, but preference is given to minority-serving institutions, small liberal arts colleges, community colleges, and rural institutions.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Grant benefits for the Fulbright S-I-R include: round-trip international air travel, a monthly stipend, an allowance for up to two dependents, and initial settling-in and professional allowances. Host institutions are encouraged to provide some cost sharing, such as a salary supplement for the Scholar and/or in-kind support, such as housing, meals and travel.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

2021-2022  November 2, 2020

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Ben Ayettey (center), Fulbright Scholar from Ghana, leading a dance workshop at UC Irvine
Tips for a Successful Campus Visit

A Fulbright Representative will be visiting your campus soon! Please review the check list we’ve provided below to help ensure a successful visit.

1 Confirm Logistics
   a. Reserve room equipped with screen/projector and a Wi-Fi connection
   b. Share logistics (location and campus map) with Fulbright representative
   c. Consider providing light refreshments to encourage attendance

2 Share
   a. Scholar Presentation – invite faculty and administrators
   b. Student Presentation – invite interested students, focusing on juniors and seniors
   c. Collect registrations using our registration template
   d. Publicize in campus emails, newsletters, newspaper, and other outlets
   e. Complete and distribute the Fulbright Workshop flyer across campus
   f. Identify and invite Student and Scholar alumni
   g. Invite colleagues from other area institutions
   h. Promote across social media platforms
   i. Add to campus calendar

3 Week of Visit
   a. Provide parking pass/information to Fulbright representative
   b. Confirm receipt of materials and bring them to each session
   c. Provide sign in sheet

4 Follow up
   a. Email attendees with copies of PowerPoint
   b. Keep in touch!

If you have any questions, please email us at outreach@iie.org

The Fulbright Program, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, is the U.S. government’s flagship international exchange program and is supported by the people of the United States and partner countries around the world. For more information, visit eca.state.gov/fulbright.

The Fulbright Scholar Program is administered by the Institute of International Education (IIE). For more information, contact us at scholars@iie.org or 202-686-4000, or visit www.iie.org/cies.
Opportunities to Host Visiting Fulbrighters

For more than 70 years, the Fulbright Program has provided American higher education institutions across the United States with opportunities to reinforce campus internationalization strategies, build global networks, launch professional collaborations, and share culture and values. Fulbright participants and alumni conduct cutting-edge research and bring fresh perspectives which benefit campuses and communities as they engage in a complex and changing world.

**Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program**
After applying in their home countries, approximately 900 faculty and professionals from more than 100 countries receive Fulbright grants each year to conduct research and/or teach in the United States. The Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program links campuses around the world and introduces new ideas and networks to students, faculty, and administrators.

[www.cies.org/program/fulbright-visiting-scholar-program](http://www.cies.org/program/fulbright-visiting-scholar-program)

**Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence (S-I-R) Program**
The Fulbright S-I-R Program provides U.S. colleges and universities with opportunities to host scholars from other countries for a semester or an academic year. Fulbright SIRs teach primarily at the undergraduate level, collaborate with faculty and administrators, and interact with the campus and local community. Institutions underrepresented in the Fulbright Program are especially encouraged to participate, as are minority-serving institutions, community colleges, and rural institutions. [www.cies.org/sir](http://www.cies.org/sir)

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**Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) Program**
U.S. institutions may apply to host native speaking language teaching assistants to support foreign language instruction on campus and enhance students’ understanding of other cultures. Approximately 400 FLTAs teach over 30 languages on campuses across the country. [www.foreign.fulbrightonline.org](http://www.foreign.fulbrightonline.org)

For more information, please contact fulbright@state.gov.