**Preparing the Application**

# FIRST STEPS

* **Planning ahead—**Advance planning will give the scholar as much time as possible to put together a thoughtful and compelling application. Applicant review and final selection are based upon the actual application and accompanying materials. U.S. affiliations are also based on the application and accompanying project statement.
* **Consulting with colleagues—**Applicants are encouraged to consult with current or former Fulbright Scholars from their own countries or the United States. Fulbright alumni and current participants can provide valuable guidance in formulating a competitive project statement.

# GENERAL APPLICATION GUIDELINES

## At the time of application, you must submit the following: (a) application form; (b) detailed project statement; (c) detailed curriculum vitae; (d) letter of invitation; (e) three letters of reference.

* To ensure correct completion of the application, **read carefully the detailed instructions** provided in these guidelines.
* All items **must be in English.**
* The entire application **must be typed or computer-generated**. Use 10-point or larger type on all parts of the application. Handwritten applications will not be accepted.
* Responses to questions on the four-page application must fit on the pages on which the questions originally appear**. Do not attach additional pages** to answer these questions.
* If using an electronic version of the application, do not change the format of the forms, the pagination, the fonts or the type size.
* Proofread the entire application before submitting it to the local Fulbright agency. **The application should be free of grammatical and spelling errors**.
* **Treat the application as a unitary whole, with all parts reinforcing the project statement.** The flow should be orderly: the candidate’s capabilities are listed in the application, further documented in the curriculum vitae and confirmed in the references. Use the project statement to make the parts interact by referring to items in the curriculum vitae or research bibliography. Without being redundant or simplistic, you should make it easier for the reviewer to find the key pieces of information you wish to convey.

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION FORM

Please read the instructions carefully before completing each item.

## Section A

**Item 4.** *Full Name*

* + **Give your name exactly as it appears on your passport.** This spelling will be used on all documents related to your grant.

**Item 8.** *Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)*

* + Write out the name of month, rather than the numerical figure (for example, February 1, 1957).

**Item 9.** *Current Position Department/Office, Institution*

* + List the name of your department or office and home institution in Spanish.

**Item 11.** *Significant Professional Accomplishments and Publications*

* + Professional accomplishments may include teaching and research awards, compositions and exhibitions, etc.
  + Do not write “See curriculum vitae.”
  + List up to three principal publications with the title, publication date and publisher’s name. (A complete listing of all publications should be included in your curriculum vitae.) Use the standard format for bibliographic citation and distinguish between books and articles. For books, give title (underlined), publisher and date; for articles, give title (in quotation marks), journal or collection (underlined) and date.
  + Limit your list to a maximum of five accomplishments and publications that can be listed within the space provided. Do not attach additional pages.
  + For space consideration, separate each item with a semicolon or number rather than a hard return.

**Item 13.** *Project Title*

* + The project title should succinctly describe the focus of the award activity (for example, “Evaluating Fundamental Tax Reforms in a Globalizing World” or “Crashworthiness and Rollover Stability of Heavy-Duty Tanker Trucks”).

**Item 14.** *Summary of Project Statement*

* + In a few sentences, provide a concise overview that easily allows non-specialists to appreciate the significance of the project and any potential contributions to the field.
  + The summary of your proposed research activities should fit *within the space provided*. Do not attach additional pages.
  + This abstract is meant to serve as a *brief summary* of the more detailed project statement.

## Section B

**Item 1.** *Proposed Program Length and Dates*

* + Indicate as precisely as possible the period during which you will be available to carry out your proposed program in the United States.

**Item 2.** *Major Academic Discipline*

* + Select one discipline from the list below that best describes your general area of expertise, and enter it exactly as it appears in the list.

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| Agriculture | Dance | Mathematics |
| American History | Economics | Medical Sciences |
| American Literature | Education | Music |
| American Studies | Engineering | Philosophy |
| Anthropology | Environmental Sciences | Physics/Astronomy |
| Archaeology | Film Studies | Political Science |
| Architecture | Geography | Psychology |
| Art | Geology | Public Administration |
| Art History | History (non-U.S.) | Public Health |
| Biological Sciences | Information Sciences | Religious Studies |
| Business Administration | Journalism | Sociology |
| Chemistry | Language/Literature (non-U.S.) | Social Work |
| Communications | Law | TEFL/Applied Linguistics |
| Computer Science | Library Science | Theater |
| Creative Writing | Linguistics | Urban Planning |

**Item 3.** *Specialization(s)*

* + List subfields within the broad academic discipline in which you specialize (for example, environmental law, history of modern cinema, class and ethnicity in politics, women and social policies in African societies, Chinese religion and philosophy).

**Item 6.** *Identification of Referees*

* + List your evaluators’ names and contact information.
  + Evaluators should be in a position to comment on your qualifications to carry out your proposed program in the United States and its value in relation to your research and teaching responsibilities in your home country.
  + A copy of the project statement should be given to each evaluator.

**Item 7.** *English Proficiency*

Indicate your personal assessment of your level of competence in English.

## Section C

**Item 1.** *Preferred Host Institution(s)*: The sponsoring institutions will not support candidates seeking to do their research project at an institution that is not academic (i.e.: a business organization).

You must attach a copy of your letter of invitation to your application.

## Section D

**Item 3.** *Marital Status*

* + Choose from the following options: divorced, engaged, married, separated, single or widowed.

**Item 4.** *Dependents*

* + Please list all dependents (including spouse and unmarried children under the age of 21) that will accompany you on your grant. List names as they appear on their passports. If you intend to have family members join you for part of your grant, but you are not yet sure if they will accompany you, please list them on the application and keep the Fulbright agency informed of any changes.

**Item 5**. *Alternate Funding*

* + Please list all non-Fulbright funding you expect to receive during your grant (sabbatical funding or other paid leave from your university, other grants, etc.). Please list funding amounts in U.S. dollars and attach supporting documentation.

# THE PROJECT STATEMENT

The project statement is the most important component of the Fulbright application. Scholars with the most compelling, theoretically sound, well-written, feasible proposals are generally recommended for awards. Sometimes those with outstanding professional achievements assume that a brief, general project statement will be sufficient. It is not. To ensure a competitive application, your proposed project, as well as the strategy for completing it, should be thoroughly explained in three to five single-sided pages. Submit a typed, detailed project statement of no more than five single-spaced pages (3,500 words) on plain, white paper with each page numbered. In addition, attach a select bibliography of no more than three pages (2,100 words), if appropriate, to your proposed research.

# Format

* + The project statement itself must be three to five single-spaced typed pages. **Do not exceed the page limit of the proposal.** Including irrelevant or extraneous material may divert attention from the project statement.
  + Begin the project statement with your name, country and the project title at the top of page one. At the top of each subsequent page, type your name and country.
  + Organize your proposal in order of the following points, which appear in bold print, and use them as headings for sections of text in your statement.

## FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES FOR WRITING YOUR PROJECT STATEMENT:

**Background:** Introduce the research topic. Place the project in academic or professional context by referring to major works by others on the subject.

**Objectives:** Clearly define the aims of the project.

**Methodology:** Describe the project. Explain the approach, methods and plan you will use (for example, interviews, library or archival research or laboratory experiments). Indicate whether the proposed research is quantitative or qualitative.

**Significance:** Explain the importance of the project for the field, your home country and your own professional development.

**Evaluation and Dissemination:** Describe plans for assessment and distribution of research results in your home country and elsewhere.

**Justification for Residence in the United States for the Proposed Project:** Indicate why it is necessary for the accomplishment of the project to conduct research in the United States.

**Duration:** Explain how the project can be completed within the time period proposed.

**Bibliography:** Provide a list of one to three pages of the most relevant sources of information to your proposed research proposal.

**Other:** If applicable, indicate the quantity, format and transportation requirements for any botanical, zoological or mineral samples that you will need to bring to the United States for analysis.

# SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

**Letters of Invitation**

* + Letters of invitation should be typed on institutional letterhead and signed. E-mail invitations are not sufficient.
  + Invitations do not ensure selection for an award.

# REFERENCES

* + Choose your references carefully and contact them early. The letters of recommendation need to accompany the application as it could otherwise be weakened by an insufficient number of references.
  + Do not ask someone for a letter of reference unless the person is well acquainted with your qualifications. A pro forma letter from a well-known scholar, a contact abroad or a prominent

government official will carry less weight than a realistic assessment of your abilities from someone who knows you and your work well.

* + References must be written in or translated into English.
  + Reference letters should be attached to the report forms provided for this purpose and should be sent by the evaluators directly to the applicants.

**Fulbright Scholar Program**

**Visiting Scholar Application Form 2019/2020**

**SECTION A. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

1. Home country: Argentina Category of grant: *Researcher*
2. Title (check one): Dr. Mr. Mrs. Ms. 3) Gender: Male Female
3. Family name: First: Middle:
4. Country(ies) of citizenship:
5. Country of legal residence:
6. Do you have U.S. permanent residency (for example, a green card)? Yes No
7. Date of birth (month, day, year): Place of birth(city, country):
8. Current position and start date:

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| Job title of current position | Month/year start date of current position |
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Department/office, institution:

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| Mailing Address | Telephone / Fax | Email |
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1. Academic credentials (degrees—list three highest degrees):

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| Name/Location of Institution | Field of Study | Name of Diploma or | Date Received |
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1. Most significant professional accomplishments, honors and awards and up to three significant publications:
2. Previous Fulbright grants (If yes, list most recent first; specify student or scholar grant and dates):
3. Project title:
4. Brief summary of project statement:

**SECTION B. PROGRAM/PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION**

1. Number of months required for project:

Date *(month/day/year)* you expect to a. Depart from home country:

* 1. Begin your grant:
  2. Leave the United States:

1. Major academic discipline (must select from list in application instructions):
2. Specialization(s) (list subfields within the academic discipline; for lecturing awards, list topics on which you would be willing to lecture):
3. Professional travel and/or residence abroad during the last five years (list countries, dates and purpose of activity):
4. Cultural, educational and professional societies of which you are a member:
5. Identification of referees: (List the name, title, mailing and e-mail addresses and telephone and fax numbers of three persons from whom you have requested a letter of reference. These colleagues should know your work, and at least one should be from outside your home institution.)

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1. English proficiency (excellent, good or fair):

Reading: Writing: Speaking:

**SECTION C. INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION PREFERENCES**

1) Please provide the following information and attach your letter of invitation.

(1) Professor, Department, Telephone, Fax and E-mail Institution and Institutional Address

**SECTION D. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

1. Home mailing address, telephone (home and cell phone) and e-mail:
2. Name, mailing address, telephone and e-mail address of person to be notified in case of emergency:
3. Marital Status (divorced, engaged, married, separated, single or widowed):
4. Names of dependents who will accompany you on your grant. List each separately, and provide their relationship to you, date and place of birth and duration of stay (includes spouse and any unmarried children under the age of 21):

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| Name | Relationship | Date of Birth | City and Country of Birth | Length of stay in the U.S. |
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1. Do you expect to receive sabbatical pay, paid leave of absence or other sources of financial support during your Fulbright grant? Yes No

If you answered Yes, please specify source(s) and amount(s) in U.S. dollars (please attach supporting documentation):

1. Physical impairment (please describe, if any):

Note: This information is gathered for statistical purposes and to ensure appropriate placement. The Fulbright Scholar Program does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin and/or physical impairment.

**By my signature below, I certify that to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in all parts of my application is accurate and complete. I understand that final approval of my application is dependent upon my eligibility for a visa to the United States. I agree to return to my home country upon the expiration of my authorized stay in the United States.**

Signature:

Date: