FULBRIGHT Scholar Program

Scholar-in-Residence Program

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

Internationalizing U.S. Campuses, Curriculum, 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 courses or guest lecture on topics 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 through 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.



Ben Ayettey (center), Fulbright Scholar from Ghana, leading a dance workshop at UC Irvine

ELIGIBILITY

Any accredited U.S. institution of higher learning is eligible to apply. Institutions with limited on-campus international opportunities and/or serving diverse student populations are encouraged to apply.

AWARD BENEFITS

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, but not required, to provide some in-kind support and/or cost-sharing for the scholar, such as housing, meals, and transportation, to enhance the scholar's experience.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

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For more information, visit fulbrightscholars.org/sir





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