

**Deadline for completed applications is 5pm GMT
Monday 6 May 2024**

**The Commission does not accept hard copy applications –
apply through the online system only.**

**Applications that do not comply with this deadline and instructions
will be deemed ineligible.**

Eligibility Requirements:

CITIZENSHIP

Eligible:

- < UK citizens (resident anywhere except the United States), or Irish citizens normally resident in Northern Ireland.
- < Those with dual UK nationality with any country other than the United States.
- < Those meeting the specific minimum qualifications for eligibility for the individual award. These can be found on the [awards web page](#).
- < Applications from non-UK citizens based in the UK and committed to a life and career in the UK may also be considered. You will be required to follow these steps:
 - o Contact the Fulbright Commission/post in your home country to check if you are eligible to apply through them. You can submit an application to us only if your home Commission/post do not accept your application due to your residency in the UK. You will need to obtain a written confirmation (e.g., an e-mail) and upload it as part of your application to the US-UK Fulbright Commission.
 - o In addition to your passport copy, please provide evidence of your legal status in the UK (e.g., settled/pre-settled status, Indefinite Leave to Remain). Please note that we are unable to accept applications from non-UK citizens on a student visa.
 - o All non-UK nationals meeting the above criteria will be expected to demonstrate commitment to returning to the UK after their proposed academic study in the US. Please note that this(f)(7)(e)(B)-31(a)-14w on a student visa.

- ◁ To be eligible for a Fulbright Postgraduate All-Disciplines award the minimum grant period has to be four months.
- ◁ Awards offered in 2025-2026 competition must be taken up in the 2025-2026 academic year. Deferrals are not permitted.
- ◁ The earliest a grant should begin for this cycle is mid-August 2025* to allow for comfortable visa processing times and for attendance at the Fulbright Commission's UK Orientation event. The latest start date for a grant in this cycle is 30 April 2025.
*Earlier start dates may be possible, but this would have to be discussed with the Commission.
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LEADERSHIP & UNDERSTANDING OF FULBRIGHT

The Fulbright Awards Programme is looking not only for academic excellence but also:

- ◁ demonstrable leadership qualities and ambassadorial skills with evidence of cultural sensitivity and a genuine desire to learn more about the United States and share with U.S. citizens aspects of British culture and its diversity;
- ◁ experience and interest in a range of extracurricular and community activities;
- ◁ an understanding of and commitment to the Fulbright Programme's mission and to giving back to your home country upon return.

OUR COMMITMENTS

- ◁ The US-UK Fulbright Commission offers exceptional opportunities for those interested in international education. We are committed to a world in which there are no obstacles or barriers to learning, understanding and collaboration and as such we aim to promote diversity, inclusion and equity. We welcome and encourage applications from eligible candidates of all backgrounds.
- ◁ Applicants will be considered without regard to ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, and/or disability.
- ◁ The Fulbright Commission is committed to selecting a cohort which is diverse in terms of region, home institution, host institution, and discipline.
- ◁ Preference is given to those without recent extensive experience in the United

IMPORTANT: it is your responsibility to check that your referees have received your reference request. We strongly encourage you to contact the referees within 24 hours after you have added their contact details to check if they have received an e-mail with instructions. If they have not, please let us know immediately and **BEFORE THE DEADLINE**.

Recommendation guidelines:

- < References are to be submitted **ONLINE** only. We do **NOT** accept hard copy references.
- < Your referees will each receive an e-mail with a set of instructions and a link to complete the online reference form, which they will upload to your application.
- < Follow up with your referee that they have received the e-mail as it often goes into spam folders. The e-mail should come to them when the e-mail address is input. They do not have to wait until you have submitted your application to upload their reference.
- < The system will show you the progress of your recommender requests. You will not be able to view the references.
- < Please provide your referees with a copy of your project statement to help them write an informed reference.
- < References should be from people qualified to evaluate your work; the abilities you bring to the proposed project; your ability to adapt to another country and culture; and the merits of the project itself. References should come from employers and academic supervisors.
- < Choose your referees carefully and contact them early. Applications with an insufficient number of references or late references will be considered incomplete / ineligible.
- < Do not ask someone for reference unless the person is well acquainted with your qualifications. A reference 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.

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

Please remember to submit your application. You can submit your application before all your referees have submitted their references. Once you submit your application, you will not be able to return to your application. After submission you will have access to a PDF proof of your submitted application. However, please note that you will not receive a submission confirmation from the Commission. You will be able to track the status of references, send reminders, and change reference information if necessary.

If you need to make any important changes to your application after submission, please contact programmes@fulbright.org.uk.