Fulbright Study Awards

Fulbright facilitates cultural exchange & promotes mutual understanding between the U.S. and over 140 countries.

- **UK Partnership Awards**
  - Pursue a 1-Year Master’s or first year of a PhD at over 40 UK institutions
  - 2 Open awards
  - Complete 2 applications, the Fulbright application & the university’s application

- **Ireland Study Awards**
  - 5 discipline-specific programs of study at varying Irish institutions
  - 1 Taught Master’s award at [UCD](#)

- Study awards provide a living stipend, tuition costs, health insurance, and airfare to & from the UK or Ireland
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- Approximately 50 UK & Ireland Study Awards offered annually
  - Around 900 U.S. students apply each year
Eligibility & Selection Criteria:

• Open to U.S. citizens

• Must meet the admission’s criteria for the selected university & program, including:
  – GPA
  – Graduate admissions test(s), if applicable
  – Must apply to the university directly, including any application fees

• Extent to which the candidate and the degree program will help to advance the Fulbright aim of promoting mutual understanding among nations through engagement in the host community, among other activities
Hannah Bredberg- 2017 Semi-Finalist to the University of Glasgow
LMU Class of 2012, BA in Music

As a musician, composer, & audiologist, she wanted to connect her experience with [Scottish] culture to the interdisciplinary realm of sonic art, creating a documentary solely utilizing the aesthetic of sound & visuals.
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Application Requirements:

• Personal Statement
• Statement of Grant Purpose
• 3 Letters of Reference
• Unofficial Transcript(s)
• Online Application via Embark
  – Summary of your proposal
  – Brief description of your community engagement plans with the host country
• Letter(s) of Affiliation/Admissions
• Foreign Language Evaluation Forms, if applicable
Application Timeline

March 22: Researching Postgraduate Programs Abroad Webinar

Early April: Fulbright application opens

July 1: ONIF waiver & Intent to Apply form due

July 15: Required Checkpoint- application drafts due to ONIF

August 31: Campus Deadline, all applications submitted to ONIF

Early October: Fulbright National Deadline
Where to Begin?

• Research, research, research
  – Find the degree program or programs first!
  – [Researching Postgraduate Programs Abroad Webinar](#) on March 22 at 3:00 p.m., Online
  – Postgraduate Program Assessment Sheet

• Keep in contact with ONIF
  – I recommend checking in *at least once a month*, updating me on your progress
  – You are not alone!

• Talk to LMU faculty and mentors

• Send emails to faculty at prospective institutions

• Submit ONIF’s waiver form & intent to apply by **July 1, 2019**
Main Takeaways

- It’s all about the graduate program, not the scholarship!
- We are recruiting for the 2020-21 academic year.
- Start your research NOW!
Glossary of Postgraduate Degrees

- **PhD or Dphil** = Doctor of Philosophy
  - Typically at least 3 years

- **MPhil** = Master of Philosophy, an advanced postgrad research degree
  - Can serve as provisional enrollment for a PhD, typically completed in 2 years

- **MBA** = Master of Business Administration
  - Typically a 15 month+ program, depending on the institution

- **MFin** = Master of Finance
  - Typically a 1-year taught Master’s

- **MSc** = Master of Science
  - Typically a 1-year taught Master’s

- **MASt** = Master of Advanced Study
  - Typically a 1-year taught Master’s in Math or Physics

- **MLitt** = Master of Letters
  - Awarded by a select few British & Irish universities
  - Typically a 1-year taught Master’s. Subjects include: Arts, Divinity, Fine Art, Humanities, or Social Sciences
Dear Professor Smith,

My name is Elle Ion and I am a [undergraduate/graduate] student at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, CA. I am studying [major(s)/minor(s)].

I aspire to [description of academic and career goals].

I am particularly interested in your [research/work] on [A.B.C...] and I have the following questions.

[Ask thoughtful questions about the program, institution, faculty, etc.].

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Elle Ion

[Email, Phone Number]
Resources

- Fulbright Study Awards website
- ONIF UK Page
  - One-on-one appointments
  - Letter of Rec resources
- Faculty
- Career Professional Development Office
Additional Funding Opportunities

• External or institution-provided funding
  – Clarendon Scholarships at Oxford University
  – Cambridge Trust Scholarships
  – Gates Cambridge Scholarship
  – Marshall Scholarship
  – Mitchell Scholarship
  – Rhodes Scholarship
  – Chancellor’s International Research Scholarship at University of Sussex
  – University of Warwick Scholarships

• **Chevening Awards** (for non-U.S. citizens)- Deadline: November
  – Chevening is the UK Government’s international awards scheme aimed at developing global leaders.
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Questions