Application Instructions | 2022-2023

Campus Application Deadline: Noon, August 31, 2022
National Screening Deadline: October 11, 2022 by 2 p.m. PST

Applicants should make an advising appointment with Gabi Schmiegel, gschmieg@ucsc.edu.

Fulbright applicants who are currently students at UC Santa Cruz are required to participate in a campus committee interview. This process is designed to provide feedback to strengthen the application.

Complete the online application at https://us.fulbrightonline.org

- **Abstract/Summary of the Proposal:** (1750-character limit) A concise description of the what, where, and why of the proposal. Summarize the program and relevance to your career/education plans.
- **Host Country Engagement:** (1750-character limit) Fulbrighters are important cultural ambassadors for the U.S. in their host country. Provide specific ideas of how you plan to share your culture and values during your grant period.
- **Plans Upon Return to the U.S.:** (850-character limit) A brief description of your career/education plans following completion of the Fulbright grant.
- **Statement of Grant Purpose:** (2 pg, single-spaced, Times New Roman 12 pt font) The Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How of your proposal. Developing a strong, feasible, and compelling project is the most important aspect of the application.
- **Affiliation Letter:** (required for study/research applicants) Include a letter of invitation from the proposed host institution in the country to which you are applying.
- **Personal Statement:** (1 pg, single-spaced, Times New Roman 12pt font) Describe yourself as an individual, including with your personal history, family background, influences on your intellectual development, the educational, professional, and cultural opportunities (or lack thereof) to which you have been exposed, and how these experiences have affected your personal growth. Do not repeat information already mentioned in other parts of the application.
- **3 Letters of recommendation:** Submitted via the online application. Select individuals who can best speak to your ability to carry out the project being proposed; they should discuss your intellectual and professional preparation, and your ability to represent the U.S. abroad. These are not character references.
- **Unofficial transcripts:** Provide transcripts from all undergraduate and graduate institutions from which you received degrees as well as other institutions where you studied and received credit for coursework. Upload a pdf to the application, make sure to include both the grades and the explanation pages. Note: portfolio system transcripts that are password protected cannot be uploaded.
- **Foreign Language Evaluation:** For programs where language skills are required, you must submit both a Language Self Evaluation and a Foreign Language Evaluation Form, completed by a professional language teacher. Submission of both forms is mandatory, even if you have advanced skills or native-speaker ability. For programs where language skills are recommended or not required, if you have language skills relevant to the host country or proposed project, submit both a Language Self Evaluation and a Foreign Language Evaluation Form. It is advantageous to have your language ability documented, even if a country indicates that English will be sufficient. A basic level of language skill should be obtained before leaving the United States for purposes of community engagement.