FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

For Canadian applicants to the Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program Awards to be taken up in the 2021-2022 academic year

Competition opens May 15, 2020

Applications accepted until November 15, 2020

Application: <u>https://apply.iie.org/fvsp2021</u>

Read all instructions carefully before completing the application.

Applicants may only apply for one award per application cycle.

Applications are completed online and must be submitted by 11:59pm November 15, 2020.

A complete listing of eligibility criteria and award conditions is available at <u>www.fulbright.ca</u> Key criteria for applicants are:

- a) Canadian citizenship
- b) NO U.S. Citizenship, Permanent Residency, or Birth
- c) Not living/residing, enrolled, or working, in the United States during the 2020-2021 academic year
- d) Terminal degree (Ph.D., LLM, MFA, etc.) or equivalent professional training or experience
- e) Proficiency in English appropriate to the project

Grantees must comply with all <u>J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FFSB) policies</u> and all <u>United States governmental regulations regarding visas, immigration, travel, and residence</u>.

NOTE: All Fulbright grantees enter the United States under a J-1 <u>Exchange Visitor Visa</u>. In doing so they are subject to a two-year home-country physical presence requirement.

Helpful Tips

- Avoid using ALL CAPITAL LETTERS. Use upper and lower case (e.g. John Smith, not JOHN SMITH).
- Make sure that you spell your name correctly and in English; do not use diacritical markings.
- Use <u>only</u> alphanumeric characters in the data fields. Special characters and accents (ä, é, ç, ñ) may not input correctly.
- While the online application will provide instructions for a field/section, please remember that specific guidance is also provided in this application instructions package.
 Please read all instructions carefully.
- All fields in this application are to be completed in English.
- Check to make sure the information you added into the text boxes completely displays. For some text boxes, there is a character limit. Avoid using hard returns in text boxes. Some dialogue boxes may require you to scroll to the bottom to complete all fields.
- Some fields are "required." In other words, you will not be able to SUBMIT your application until all required items are completed. When you get to the **REVIEW** tab, your application will be checked for completeness. You will be prompted to enter the missing information.
- Take care to answer all questions to the best of your ability.
- To ensure your entries are saved, press the **CONTINUE** button at the bottom of each page.
- Supporting documents (Project Statement, Curriculum Vitae, etc.) should use a font size of at least 11pts.
- Once you SUBMIT your application, you can no longer make changes to it.

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General Information

The application is supported by all modern browsers. We highly recommend that you use a current version of <u>Google Chrome</u>, which supports Windows, Mac, and Linux platforms.

Before starting an application, please complete the following steps:

Step 1: Learn requirements for submitting an application

Before you begin an application, contact Fulbright Canada (<u>info@fulbright.ca</u>). This is the Fulbright Program Office in the country from which you are applying (Canada). Deadline dates and application requirements for a Fulbright grant will vary from country to country. You must make sure you are eligible to apply. Additional information and a list of participating countries can be found here: <u>https://www.cies.org/</u>.

Step 2: Record user name and password in a safe place

Your email address is your user name. When you create an account for this online application, record your password in a secure place. You can log in and out of the application as frequently as you like using your user name and password. If necessary, you can reset your password by clicking the "Forgot Your Password" link on the log-in page.

Step 3: Complete the application

You do not need to complete this application at one time. You can re-enter at any time to edit your application. However, once you SUBMIT your application, you CANNOT make changes to it.

To complete your application correctly, please answer all questions completely and carefully. Review these additional tips:

- Use upper and lower-case letters (e.g. John Smith). Avoid using all capital letters (e.g. JOHN SMITH). Do not use special characters, such as accent marks.
- You can copy and paste information into all text boxes.
- Limit your responses to the space provided in all text boxes.
- Prepare required documents and save them in PDF format. It is highly recommended that to preserve any formatting and special characters in your documents, upload them in PDF format.
- Some questions are "required." They are marked with an asterisk (*). You will not be able to submit your application until all required items are complete.

Step 4: Submit the application

Once you have entered all required information, including recommenders, review your application for errors. If all information is correct, submit your application. Once you submit you CANNOT make changes to your application.

Creating Your Online Account

- 1. To start, click *Create an account*.
- 2. Enter your email address, first name, last name, and select your date of birth (Month-Date-Year) from the drop-down menus. Your name must be entered exactly the way it appears (or will appear) on your passport.

Register				
To register for an account, please enter the information requested below.				
Email Address				
First Name				
Last Name				
Birthdate				
Continue				

Note: Use an email address that you will be able to access for at least two years after submitting your application. This is the email address you will use to log in to your application account. We recommend you do NOT use a work email address if you will not have access to it during your grant in the U.S.

- 3. Click Continue. You will receive an email from apply@iie.org confirming that you have started the application. The email will include a temporary PIN. Follow the instructions in the email to activate your account using the temporary PIN.
- 4. You will be prompted to enter your PIN and then create a password to complete login.

Login	
A temporary PIN has	s been sent to your email address. If you do not receive this message in the next few minutes, please check your junk mail folder.
Email	
Account	
Temporary PIN	
Birthdate	
Login	

	new password. The	your account, please spec	To protect the security of
one letter one capital letter one number ast 12 characters sswords must match			New Password New Password (again)
ast 12 characters			Set Password

5. Returning users: Click *Login* and enter your email address and password. If you do not remember your password, click *Forgot your password*? and follow the resulting instructions.

Managing Your Application

EDITING YOUR APPLICATION PRIOR TO SUBMISSION

- 1. You may log in at any time to review and edit your application form, upload documents, and enter recommender information.
- 2. Remember to save your application after completing each page by pressing the *Continue* button at the bottom of each page.

Note: The application will automatically log you out after 60 minutes of inactivity, so it is best to save your application frequently.

REVIEWING YOUR APPLICATION AFTER SUBMISSION

- 1. After you SUBMIT your application, you CANNOT make any changes.
- 2. You may continue to log in to your account to view the information you have submitted, save a PDF of your application form, and manage your recommenders.
- 3. You can manage your recommenders by clicking on the *Recommendations* section of the online application.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Letters of recommendation will be submitted directly to Fulbright by the recommenders you registered via your application.
- 2. Letters of recommendation and language evaluations may be submitted before or after you submit the application.
- 3. If your recommender is unavailable, you will have the option to exclude the recommender and add an alternative after you submit the application.

Preliminary Questions

These questions address essential program eligibility. All questions are required.

<u>Home</u>	Preliminary Questions
Welcome Preliminary Questions	Questions marked with an asterisk (*) are required of all applicants for submission.
	Through which program country are you applying?*
	To which academic year are you applying?*
	Do you hold or are you applying for:* a) U.S. citizenship; c) Dual citizenship with the U.S.; or b) U.S. permanent residency? Yes No
	Have you reviewed and do you meet all program eligibility requirements for the country through which you are applying?* Yes No Unsure
	Continue

- 1. Select the country through which you are applying for the Fulbright grant from the dropdown menu. *Select "Canada".* Selecting any other country will send your application to the Fulbright office in that country and Fulbright Canada will not receive it. If the Fulbright Canada office does not receive your application, it cannot be reviewed or considered for a Canada-U.S. Fulbright award.
- 2. Select the appropriate program year from the dropdown menu.
- U.S. Citizenship, Dual Citizenship with the U.S. or Permanent Residency: select 'Yes' or 'No' to indicate your response.
 If you are a U.S. Citizen, or you have or are applying for U.S. Permanent Residency, you are <u>not</u> eligible for a Fulbright award from Canada to the United States.

Applicants cannot be U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. to participate in the Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program.

- Select 'Yes', 'No', or 'Unsure' to indicate if you are aware and meet all program eligibility requirements.
 Review the program eligibility requirements before proceeding.
 Please email info@fulbright.ca to contact the Fulbright Canada office.
- 5. Click *Continue* to save your responses and advance to the next section.

Country Information

- 1. Review all information in this section!
- 2. Note the **Contact Information** for Fulbright Canada. *Fulbright Canada website: <u>www.fulbright.ca</u>*
- 3. Note the **Program Information** for the scholar programs at Fulbright Canada. Ensure the Current Application Competition Year is "2021-2022" Deadline Information: November 15, 2020
- Select an Award. This is the primary award to which you are applying. You may indicate Alternate Awards in the Project Proposal section. You can Select/Change Award at any time until you SUBMIT your application.
- 5. Note if Supplemental Forms are available.
- 6. Click *Continue* to proceed to the next section

Data Privacy

- 1. Carefully review the Data Privacy information.
- 2. Click *Continue* to proceed to the next section.

Personal Information

Enter all required biographical information. Please review country-specific guidance (provided in the Country Information section of the application) to determine whether you must provide additional information.

1. Name:

Enter your name exactly as it appears on your passport. Note the field for a preferred or casual name (e.g. Alex instead of Alexander).

2. Name on Previous Records:

If your name is recorded differently on any previous records, list it in this section (e.g. maiden name).

3. Biographical Information:

The birthdate that you used to create your account will automatically appear. *If this date is incorrect, you may correct it now.*

Enter your city of birth, country of birth, sex (as it appears or will appear on your passport or travel document), preferred gender identity, marital status, and number of dependents.

4. Citizenship Information:

Select your country of citizenship, additional countries in which you hold citizenship, and country of residence from the dropdown menus provided.

If applicable, enter your national identification number and any additional countries in which you hold citizenship.

To select multiple countries, hold down the CTRL (PC) or Command (Mac) button when selecting options.

5. Click *Continue* to save your responses and advance to the next section.

Contact Information

Enter all required contact information.

1. Addresses:

Select the country where you live from the dropdown list first when entering your permanent address (i.e. physical address where you live).

Based on your country selection, the subsequent fields will change to match the address format of that country.

Complete the remaining address fields. Do not use accents or special characters.

Select 'Yes' or 'No' to indicate if your current mailing address (i.e. the address where you receive mail) is the same as the permanent address you entered above. *They do not have to be the same. If you answer 'Yes' to this question, proceed immediately to the next section. If you answer 'No,' then a second address section will appear where you may enter your mailing address.*

2. Telephone Numbers:

Enter your contact numbers as appropriate. Include the country code. If the field turns red, please review the numbers that you have entered to look for any errors. *To find the correct country code, click on the blue 'country code' link*

3. Email:

The email address used to create your account will appear in the primary email address field and will not be editable. You may provide an Alternate/Secondary Email that can be used to contact you if Fulbright Program officers cannot reach you via your primary email address. Note: All system-generated emails will continue to go to your primary email address.

4. Emergency Contact Information:

This information is **NOT** required for applicants from Canada.

If you would like to provide emergency contacts, please enter the appropriate information. The individuals you list may be contacted in the event of an emergency while you are participating in grant activities.

When entering the address, choose the country that corresponds to your emergency contacts' address first, and the following fields will update to match the address format of the selected country.

5. Click *Continue* to save your responses and advance to the next section.

Academic & Professional Information

This section collects information about your academic and professional background, including your curriculum vitae/resumé, academic degrees, professional experience, organizational memberships, letter of support from home institution, experience abroad, and previous Fulbright grants, if applicable. Prepare and upload documents in PDF format as required (*). Note any page limits and ensure your documents do not exceed page limits.

Curriculum Vitae/Resume

- Upload your curriculum vitae/resumé in PDF format that does not exceed six (6) pages.
 Note: If your file exceeds six pages, an error message will appear on the Review page and will prevent submission of your application.
 - a. Click Choose File
 - b. Locate and select the file that you previously saved to your computer
 - c. Click Open
 - *d.* Click *Upload* to complete the file upload

Curriculum Vitae/Resume	Please upload a PDF document that does not exceed six (6) pages.	Choose File No file chosen
· .		Upload

Academic Background

- 2. List all post-secondary educational institutions from which you have received a degree or academic credential. You MUST include any education institutions you are currently attending (even if you have not yet completed your educational program) and estimated date of graduation/completion. *Enter these institutions in reverse chronological order (most recent first).*
 - a. Click Add Institution
 - b. Type in the name of the institution
 - c. Choose the level of study (graduate or undergraduate) from the dropdown menu
 - d. Select the country where the institution is located from the dropdown menu
 - e. Enter the appropriate city and region/state
 - f. Provide the website of the institution (optional)
 - g. Select the U.S. equivalent of the degree or diploma earned (e.g., BA bachelor's degree)
 - h. If relevant, provide the actual name of the degree or diploma (e.g., license)
 - i. Enter the discipline in which this degree or diploma was earned
 - j. Select the month and year of the date this degree was received (Month Year format) from the drop-down menu

If a degree is in progress, list expected date of conferral for Date Degree Received.

k. Click Save.

Educational Institution				
Institution*				
Level of Study*				
Institution Location (all address fields are required)*				
Country	United States			
City				
State	Select State			
Website				
Name of Diploma or Degree Equivalent*	▼			
Actual Name of Degree or Diploma				
Discipline*				
Date Degree Received*	T			
If a degree is in progress,	list expected date of conferral for Date Degree Received.			

3. To add additional entries for post-secondary educational institutions, click *Add Institution* and follow the instructions above.

Current Professional Profile

- 5. List your current professional affiliation or employer by clicking Add Experience under Position Title
 - a. Choose the role which most closely corresponds to your current role from the dropdown menu
 - b. If you are an independent/unaffiliated scholar, check the box underneath the Current Role field. The Institution Name and Department Name fields will disappear after the box is checked
 - c. Enter your current position title (e.g. Director, Assistant Director, etc.)
 - d. Enter the name of the institution and, if relevant, the department where you are currently employed
 - e. Enter the start and end dates for the position you entered (Month-Year format). If you are currently employed in this role, leave the End Date fields blank.
 - f. Select the country where your current place of employment is located from the dropdown menu. Enter in the street address, city, province/state/region, and postal code as applicable
 - g. Click Save

Professional Experience	
Current Role*	T
	I am an independent/unaffiliated scholar.
Position Title	
Institution Name*	
Department Name	
If you are currently emplo	oyed, please leave the End Date field blank.
Start Date	T
End Date	
Institution Address	
Country*	Υ
Street Address*	
City*	
State/Region*	
Postal Code*	
Save Cancel	

6. If you have more than one current position, click *Add Experience* and follow the instructions above.

- 7. List your most significant professional accomplishments, honours and awards, and up to three significant publications in the text box.
 - a. List no more than five accomplishments, honours, or awards
 - b. Separate each entry with a semicolon (;)
 - c. 700-character limit

Organizational Memberships

- 8. List up to four professional memberships in cultural, educational, and professional organizations.
 - a. Click Add Organization
 - b. Enter the name of the organization
 - c. If you held an elective office in the organization, enter the name of your role (e.g., Treasurer)
 - d. Enter the start and end dates (Month-Year format) that correspond with your membership in this organization.

If you are still an active member, leave the End Date blank.

e. Click Save

Organizational Membership			
Organization			
If you held an elective off	ice, list this in your Role.		
Role			
Start Date	T		
If you are still an active member, leave the End Date blank.			
End Date			

Letter of Support from Home Institution (Not Required)

9. **NOT Required.** Information that you provide in this section will NOT be referenced when processing your application.

Should you be selected for an award, you may be contacted for additional information.

Experience Abroad

- 10. List any professional travel and/or residence abroad exceeding three (3) months during the last six years:
 - a. Click Add New
 - b. Select the country in which you spent your professional travel and/or residence abroad from the dropdown menu provided
 - c. Select the start and end dates (Month-Year format) of your travel/residency
 - d. Enter the purpose of your travel abroad
 - e. Click Save

Experience Abroad	
Country*	▼
Start date:*	T
End date:*	T
Purpose of Travel Abroad:*	

- 11. If you have more than one trip abroad to enter, click *Add New* again, and follow the bulleted instructions until all entries have been saved.
- 12. Select 'Yes' or 'No' to indicate if you have previously entered the United States on a J-1 or J-2 visa If 'Yes', you are required to select the J category of sponsorship from the list and upload a copy of your previous DS-2019

Previous DS-2019(s)	Please upload a copy of your previous DS-2019(s).	Choose File No file chosen
		Upload

*If you have participated in a J-1 or J-2 visa exchange program in the Professor or Research Scholar categories, please check with Fulbright Canada to confirm you are eligible to apply for the program at this time.

Previous Fulbright Grant(s)

13. Select 'Yes' or 'No' to indicate if you have previously been awarded a Fulbright grant.

If 'Yes', you are required to list the grant(s):

- a. Click Add Grant.
- b. Select the Fulbright award type from the dropdown menu provided (e.g., Fulbright FLTA, Fulbright Foreign Student, etc.)
- c. If you select "Other (please specify)", enter in the name of the Fulbright grant that you received in the "Other, please specify" field
- d. Select the academic year that corresponds to the year in which you received the Fulbright grant.
- e. Click Save

Previous Fulbright Grants			
Award Type* Previous Grant Year*	•		

14. If you are applying for another Fulbright Scholar Opportunity, please provide justification as to why you should be considered for another Fulbright award in the text box.

Please note that before final approval by the FFSB, Fulbright Canada will be asked to provide some rationale for recommending your application over awards to other qualified candidates.

Use this text box to prepare a short justification (1 or 2 paragraphs) to support a repeat Fulbright award. Your justification should include information about: your previous award; how this award may be a different experience; your special skills; how this award would be beneficial to you, the host, and/or the field; and any other factors that support a repeat Fulbright award.

15. Click *Continue* to save your responses and advance to the next section.

Language Skills

This section collects information about your native language, English language skills, and any additional languages that are relevant to your project proposal.

1. Select your native language from the dropdown menu provided.

English Language Proficiency

 If your native language is not English, a section collecting your English language proficiency will appear.
 Rate your English language proficiency in Reading, Writing, and Speaking.
 Select from the dropdown menus as appropriate. (Native, Advanced, Intermediate, Beginner, or No Ability)

Additional Language Skills

- 3. Select the number of additional languages that you would like to include that may be of use for your project or study plans.
- Select the language you are reporting from the dropdown menu and rate your proficiency in Reading, Writing, and Speaking. Select from the dropdown menus as appropriate. (Native, Advanced, Intermediate, Beginner, or No Ability)
- 5. Click *Continue* to save your responses and advance to the next section.

Plagiarism Agreement

1. Carefully review the Plagiarism Agreement. Plagiarism in any part of your application will result in your disqualification from participating in the Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program.

Plagiarism will be understood to include any of the following:

Presenting wording, statistics or concepts as your own which should be attributed to someone else or to publications (online or offline). This includes, but is not limited to:

- Copying the exact wording of a written source
- Presenting material with alterations in wording
- Paraphrasing the content of a source without citation

It is expected that your responses to all questions in the following application will be your own work and writing, with clear citation of secondary sources if describing academic work and the writing of others (including one's own previously published work). Any sources used in the construction of your responses must be clearly cited.

- 2. Indicate your acceptance of the terms by selecting, 'Yes' or 'No'.
- 3. Click *Continue* to save your responses and adance to the next section.

Project Proposal

This section collects information about your proposed project.

- 1. Select the category of grant for which you are applying.
 - The category of grant is provided in the Award Information section of the Country Information page.
 - a. If you select Research, you must upload a Bibliography
 - b. If you select Teaching/Research, you must upload a Bibliography and Course Syllabus
 - c. If you select Teaching, you must upload a Course Syllabus

Project Statement

2. Project Title:

Concisely describe the focus of your proposed activity (up to 15 words). Must be in english. Written in AP style: no abbreviations, not all caps, all words of four or more letters should be capitalized.

3. Brief Summary of Project Proposal:

Provide a concise overview that easily allows a non-specialist to appreciate the significance of the project and any potential contributions to the field. This abstract is meant to serve as a brief summary of your more detailed project statement.

Maximum of 700 characters.

Remember, you can prepare the text in another document, then copy and paste into this field.

4. Project Statement Updoader:

Upload PDF document of three (3) to five (5) pages.

NOTE: A list of references will be uploaded separately in the Bibliography (next). Please see the **Additional Guidance** provided later in this document.

- a. Click Choose File
- b. Locate and select the file that you previously saved to your computer
- c. Click Open
- d. Click Upload to complete the file upload

Bibliography

5. If requested, upload a Bibliography of one (1) to three (3) pages of references relevant to the proposed research. This document should be in PDF format. Upload this document by following the instructions above.

Course Syllabi

If requested, upload up to ten (10) pages of sample syllabi. This document should be in PDF format. Upload this document by following the instructions above.
 Please see the Additional Guidance provided later in this document.

Academic Discipline

- 7. Select the most appropriate academic discipline for your project from the dropdown menu.
- 8. Select the most appropriate primary specialization from the dropdown menu.
- Enter a brief description of the area of the field in which you plan to specialize/conduct research in the United States in the text box.
 Some academic fields will ask you if you'd like to upload portfolio materials as part of your application. Select 'Yes' or 'No' as appropriate.
 If you select 'Yes,' you will be directed to upload your materials. Please follow the upload instructions listed.

Intended Grant Period

- 10. Select your proposed grant length (in months) from the dropdown menu. The grant length is provided in the Award Information section of the Country Information page.
- 11. Enter your proposed grant start and grant end dates (Month-Day-Year format). These dates should align with the guidance in the Award Information section of the Country Information page. All awards must be taken up during the 2021-2022 academic year.

Institutional Affiliation

12. Indicate whether you have made affiliation arrangements with a U.S. Host Institution by selecting 'Yes' or 'No'.

Traditional Scholar Award: you are required to arrange your own affiliation – select "Yes'. Research Chair Award: you are **NOT** required to arrange your own affiliation – select 'No'. *You are encouraged to contact the host institution(s) to discuss research interests.*

Host Institution Affiliation(s)

- If 'Yes', add the Host Institution by selecting Add Institution
 - a. Enter Institution Name
 - b. Enter Name and Contact Information of the person at the Institution who will be your primary contact
 - c. Enter the address of the Institution
 - d. Indicate whether you have received a letter of invitation
 - e. Click Save
 - f. Upload the Letter of Invitation (if available) in the next section
- If 'No', list your Host Institution preferences in order of priority by selecting Add Institution
 - a. Enter Institution Name
 - b. Enter Name and Contact Information of the person at the Institution who you have communicated with previously, OR the main contact for the department that you are interested in joining
 - c. Enter the address of the Institution

- d. If you are in contact with the Institution, enter the date (Month-Day-Year form) of your initial contact
- e. Enter a reason for the suggested affiliation
- f. Click Save
- g. Upload supporting correspondence (if available) in the next section

Letter of Invitation

- 13. Upload Letter(s) of Invitation or other correspondence regarding affiliation. *Please see the Additional Guidance provided later in this document.*
 - a. Click Choose File
 - b. Locate and select the file that you previously saved to your computer
 - c. Click Open
 - d. Click Upload to complete the file upload
 - e. Select add another to upload additional invitations.
- 14. Click Continue to save your responses and advance to the next section

Alternate Awards

15. Indicate whether you wish to be considered for Alternate Awards by selecting 'Yes' or 'No'. If you select 'Yes,' you may enter the names of Alternate Awards and their corresponding Host Institutions. Up to three alternates recommended.

Grant and Travel Plans

This section is set up to gather information on your personal finances, additional grants you may have applied to/received, passport, and accompanying dependents. Please note that most of these sections are not required for applicants from Canada.

Financial Information (Not Required)

NOT REQUIRED. Information that you provide in this section will not be referenced when processing your application. Should you be selected for an award, you may be contacted for additional information.

Passport/Travel Document

1. Upload a copy of the biographical page of your passport by selecting *Choose File Should you get a new passport, please send a copy to Fulbright Canada* (*info@fulbright.ca*).

Accompanying Dependents (Not Required)

NOT REQUIRED. Information that you provide in this section will not be referenced when processing your application. Should you be selected for an award, you may be contacted for additional information.

2. Click *Continue* to save your responses and advance to the next section.

Additional Information

Additional Documentation

Country-Specific Materials: Not Required

Supplemental materials: Not Required

Additional Documentation: use to upload additional documentation in support of your application.

Outreach Survey

Please complete the Outreach Survey.

1. Click *Continue* to save your responses and advance to the next section

Recommendations

Use this section to register your recommenders. Applicants for Fulbright Canada scholar awards require three (3) recommenders.

Please see the Additional Guidance provided later in this document.

Once you register your recommenders, they will receive an automatic email with instructions on completing the online recommendation form. You can track the status of recommendations, send reminders, and add/delete recommenders through this system before **and** after submission of your application.

- 1. Click Add Recommender
- 2. Complete all fields in the pop-up form:

Add Recommender	
Prefix	•
First Name	
Last Name	
Institution	
Position/Title	
Relationship	
Telephone	
Email	
	Note: Applicants are encouraged to provide a professional email address for their recommenders (i.e institutional email address for a professor, a corporate email address for a supervisor) when possible
Personal message to recommender	
	You may include a personal message for your recommender here. If your program has a recommend deadline, please use this message to communicate this deadline to your recommender.
Send To Recommende	er Cancel

- 3. Use the personal message to remind your recommender to submit by November 15th
- 4. Click Send to Recommender to generate an automatic email to your recommender
- 5. Once sent, you will have the option to Edit Recommender information if they have not yet started progress on their response and Save, Send Reminders, and Exclude if you wish to remove the recommender and replace with another individual
- 6. Click Continue to save your responses and advance to the next section

Signature

1. Certify that the information you provided in the application is true and complete by typing your full legal name in the Signature Box:



2. Click *Confirm* to continue to the next page.

Review

The application will review the responses entered and will display any incomplete questions and required attachments that are missing.

- If no errors appear, then your application is ready for submission.
- If any errors appear, correct or complete these sections and return to the Review section to determine if your application is ready for submission.

REVIEW ALL RESPONSES.

NOTE: Once you SUBMIT your application, you can no longer make changes to it.

Click Submit Application

You may continue to log in to your account to view the information you have submitted, save a PDF of your application form, and manage your recommenders.

Additional Guidance

This section provides additional guidance you may use for your Project Statement, Curriculum Vitae, Letters of Invitation, and Recommendations.

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.

You should take great care in writing a clear and detailed description of the project that you intend to pursue. For all types of awards, you must demonstrate that residence in the United States is essential for your project, that knowledge in a particular area of learning will be advanced, and that plans have been made for the dissemination of the results in both Canada and the United States. Clearly show your project's relation to the study of the United States or the relationship between Canada and the United States and demonstrate the way in which mutual understanding between the two countries will be enhanced (i.e. development of long-term institutional linkages, relevance to contemporary public policy debate, shared knowledge in a particular area of research, etc.).

FORMAT

- The project statement consists of no more than five single-spaced pages.
- Use a font size of at least 11pts.
- Begin the project statement with your name, country and the project title at the top of page one.
- 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.
 - *Background*: Introduce the research topic. Place the project in an 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. Outline the expected timeline for completion of your project. Explain the choice of institutional affiliation(s).
 - Significance: Explain the importance of the project for the field, your home country and your own
 professional development. Indicate what effect you expect the opportunity to have on your teaching or
 professional work in your home country. (For example: new approaches to curriculum planning, student
 advising or pedagogy; expanding knowledge in the field through collaboration with U.S. colleagues). Describe
 briefly the expected impact of your participation on your home institution, community or professional field.
 - *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 to conduct the research onsite in the United States.
 - o *Duration*: Explain how the project can be completed within the time period proposed.
 - *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.
- Including irrelevant or extraneous material may divert attention from the project statement.

ADDITIONAL CONTENT RECOMMENDATIONS

In addition to following the format carefully, the following advice has been passed on from former Fulbright Scholars, review committees and Fulbright staff and can assist you in preparing a more competitive and ultimately successful Fulbright application.

- Submit a clear and complete project statement that introduces you professionally to your colleagues in the United States. The best applications are those that reflect the applicant's purpose and intent.
- Make sure that your qualifications and expertise match the objectives in your project statement. You should be able to show that you are qualified to accomplish what you are proposing to do.
- Emphasize how your project will benefit the host institution or other scholars in your field both in your country and in the United States. Address in your project statement the ways in which you will use the experience upon your return. What is the likely impact of your experience abroad? How will you use what you learned upon your return, professionally and personally?
- Discuss any preparatory steps you have taken or will take before starting your grant. For example, if you plan to bring samples of plants, chemicals, human tissue, etc., indicate the steps taken to determine what clearance and approval processes are needed.
- Connect your past experience to what you are preparing to do if you receive an award. Explain the project's significance and its importance to the field. Focus on what can be reasonably accomplished during the period of the grant.
- **Do not assume** that your suitability for the project is self-evident. Your standing in your field may not be well known to reviewers. You need to make a case for yourself based on your past experience and current scholarly endeavours. Explain the significance of your project in language that will be understood by reviewers from outside your field.
- **Do not stress** only how a Fulbright grant will benefit you or your career. Remember that the program is intended to foster mutual understanding between cultures and nations.
- Be specific in describing your previous work and in laying out the nature of your proposed Fulbright activity. A frequent failing in applications is that the proposal is underdeveloped or too imprecise to give reviewers a clear sense of the endeavour.

STYLE RECOMMENDATIONS

- Express what you can bring to the program clearly and succinctly. Think of the basic questions that need to be answered: Why should I apply for a Fulbright award to come to the United States? If selected, what will I do and how will I do it? What preparations have I made to complete the project? What can I contribute to the Fulbright Program? What will the results of my participation be? Include only the most pertinent information in forming your responses so as not to exceed the page restrictions. At the same time, you should avoid writing a proposal so brief that it will be difficult for the reviewer to understand the project.
- Emphasize key points in the first paragraph of the proposal. Reviewers examine many Fulbright applications, and having to search for the main points of the proposed activity is not helpful. You should grab the reviewer's attention quickly and state clearly what you want to do, why it is important and how you will do it. You should use the rest of the proposal to support your statements in the opening paragraphs.
- Pay attention to style in your proposal. You may want to use the first person, but you should avoid flooding your proposal with "I's" or referring to yourself in the third person.
- Keep your proposal simple and straightforward so that an educated reader from another discipline can understand it.

CURRICULUM VITAE

The curriculum vitae describes academic credentials and demonstrates a record of scholarly achievements (document should not exceed six pages). When composing a curriculum vitae, it is important to include:

- Education (universities attended, degrees earned and dates received)
- Professional positions held
- Courses taught and other services provided to students and the home institution
- Publications (provide full citations and list them starting with the most recent)
- Other professional activities, such as workshops, seminars and consultations
- Membership and activities in professional associations
- Professional honours, awards and fellowships
- Community service

The application asks for similar information but provides limited space for answers. In the curriculum vitae, you should expand upon these topics to present more completely your accomplishments.

LETTERS OF INVITATION

Letters of invitation should be on institutional letterhead and signed by a person with the appropriate authority. There are no specific requirements for such letters, unless specified in the award description. The letter should indicate:

- your name and current position possibly a qualifier based on your selection as a Fulbright scholar
- the activities for which you are being invited by the host (research at an institution, special lecturing needs, etc.)
- the period of time for which you are invited
- the department/group which is inviting you and the resources that will become be available to you
- a description of the host's interest in the applicant's project and how it will benefit the host institution.

Invitations do not ensure selection for an award.

Scanned copies should be uploaded to the application.

If an invitation arrives after the application deadline, contact Fulbright Canada to arrange for its late submission.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Candid, frank letters of reference help reviewers place proposal within your home institution's current conditions and plans for growth. References also provide evidence of your reputation within your discipline. The automatic notification sent to your recommenders will suggest qualifications they should address.

- You must register three recommenders. Do not register more than three.
- Please provide your recommenders a copy of your project statement.
- Recommenders should be people qualified to evaluate your professional 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.
- Recommenders can come from your home institution, but at least one of the recommenders should be from a colleague in your field outside your home institution.
- If you have recently moved to a new home institution, one of the recommenders should be from your previous institution.
- Choose your recommenders carefully and contact them early. Their recommendations should accompany your application as it could otherwise be weakened by an insufficient number of recommenders.
- 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.
- Recommendations should be written in or translated into English.
- Recommendations should be submitted through the online application system by the application deadline.
- It is your responsibility to ensure that your recommendations are submitted by the deadline.