Fulbright Foreign Student Program

Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program

Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program
USG Exchange Programs

Managed by U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) to:

- Increase mutual understanding and respect
- Reflect the diversity of the United States
- Promote leadership development
- Encourage inclusion of underrepresented groups
- Promote academic, cultural, sports, and professional exchange
155+ Countries
The Fulbright Program operates in 155 countries worldwide.

1,000 fellows
Professional Fellows traveled to the U.S. for an exchange program in 2011.

310K Participants
Approximate number of Fulbright participants

80 Alumni
Number of Fulbrighters that have received the Pulitzer Prize

1M Alumni
Of ECA exchange programs.

3 Alumni
Are current heads of international organizations.

8 Alumni
Are current or former ambassadors to the United Nations.

1,700 Fulbright Student Scholarships
Approximate number awarded each year

55 Alumni
Are Nobel Prize winners.
Flagship international educational exchange program sponsored by the U.S. Government.

Includes several programs for American and international students, scholars, artists, athletes, and professionals.

Provides unique opportunities for professional collaboration with peers from the U.S. and other countries at world-class institutions.

Fellowships focus on skills development: academic research/analysis, leadership, public presentation, program design, grant-writing, job training.

In Mozambique, three Fulbright programs offered: Fulbright Foreign Student Program, Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program (African Research Scholar Program), and Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program.
What the Fulbright Programs Cover

- Round-trip travel
- Health Insurance
- Tuition and fees
- Room and board
- Maintenance allowance
- Books and supplies
- Required field trips, seminars, and workshops
- Orientation programs and intensive English training (for some candidates only)

Elsa Lameira, Fulbright Student 2013-2015. Master’s in Microbiology, Oklahoma State University
Profile of a Successful Fulbright/Humphrey Fellow

- Motivation, focus, goals
- Academic ability
- Record of leadership
- Communication skills: reading, writing, speaking
- High potential for success
- Thorough and up-to-date knowledge of field of study
- Civic spirit
- Personal qualities: self-discipline, teamwork, professionalism, originality of ideas, maturity, adaptability, initiative

Fulbright Foreign Student Program

Fulbright 2016-18: Georgina Fuel- LLM in Environmental and Natural Resources Law, University of Oregon
Helio Cuve- MA in Experimental Psychology, City University of New York
Dr. Ivandra Simao- MA in Public Health, Georgia State University
Full funding for maximum of two years of Master’s, PhD, or non-degree study in the U.S.

- **Master’s Degree candidates receive priority**

Target Audience: University junior faculty and staff

- Applications also accepted from:
  - Other public and private educational institutions
  - Cultural institutions
  - Research institutions
  - Professional associations
  - Applicants from non-academic organizations

**Highly competitive.** U.S. Embassy Awards 3-4 full scholarships to Mozambicans every year

Fulbright Program staff determine university placement based on academic fit, finalist’s preferences, university resources, and other criteria
Fulbright Foreign Student Program
General Eligibility Criteria

• Citizen of Mozambique

• Complete minimum degree of Licenciatura

• English proficiency (TOEFL required for nominees)

• Pass required standardized tests (GRE or GMAT test is required for those selected)

• Limited U.S. Experience

Celso Temele, Fulbright 2009-2011: Master of Science in Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering, Oklahoma State University
All Fields of Study are Eligible, Including:

- Technology
- Journalism
- Public relations
- Media studies
- Agriculture
- Food science
- Business
- Economics
- Environmental science
- International relations
- Political science
- Public administration/policy
- Public health
- Natural resources and environmental management
- Public health and policy/management
- Law
- Engineering
- Education
- Others as relevant to Fulbright program goals

Note: Medical sciences, nursing, and similar programs are not eligible
Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): Required for all nominees
- Minimum Score for Master’s candidates: 90 on internet-based test (IBT).
- Minimum Score for Ph.D. candidates: 100 IBT (varies by field of study).

Graduate Record Exam (GRE): Required for all finalists except in law and business*
- Minimum score: above the fiftieth percentile in both sections of the GRE.

*Finalists in law are only required to take the TOEFL.
Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) - Required for all finalists in business
- Minimum Score for Master’s candidates: 550
- Minimum Score for PhD candidates: 600

Some MA candidates will be selected for the 2-6 month Intensive English program prior to placement in a Master’s degree program. Must retake the GRE/GMAT and TOEFL during the language training period to qualify for Master’s degree placement.
Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program

2016 Fulbright Visiting Scholar Dr. Daniel Chongo - Virginia Tech University, Department of Crop, Soil, and Environmental Sciences
Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program

- Full funding for 3-9 months at a U.S. university to:
  - Conduct post-doctoral research in any academic discipline (PhD and 3yrs teaching experience required)
  - Conduct research in order to develop new curricula/programs at home institution
  - Conduct research related to HIV/AIDS

- Target Audience:
  - University faculty/administrators
  - Research Institute professionals

- Highly competitive. Up to 5 scholarships awarded

- Fulbright Program staff determine university placement based on academic fit, and finalist’s preferences
Fulbright Visiting Scholar General Eligibility Criteria

• Citizen of Mozambique

• Complete minimum degree of PhD (for Research Grants) or Licenciatura/Master’s (for Program Development Grants)

• English proficiency

• Limited U.S. Experience

*Proposals involving doctoral dissertation research, post-doctoral research immediately following completion of a PhD, or general professional travel are not eligible.
The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program
A Program for Mid-Career Professionals Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State

Hubert H. Humphrey
U.S. Vice President 1965 - 1969
Humphrey Program

- Created by U.S. president Jimmy Carter in honor of Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey, an American politician and civil rights activist.

- 10 months of non-degree academic study and professional experience in the United States for mid-career professionals.

- Practical training within groups of Fellows specializing in the same discipline.

- 1-3 Mozambicans selected per year
**Humphrey Program Design**

**Humphrey Seminar:** Allows Fellows to share approaches to common issues and problems in their regions.

**Academic Enrichment:** Partial academic course load in field of expertise. Taken with small group of Fellows in same field.

**Professional Development:** Conferences, networking meetings, seminars, and workshops. 6-week internship at a U.S. institution in field.

**Washington Global Leadership Forum:** 4-day seminar in Washington, D.C. to learn more about U.S. institutions, federal agencies, and international organizations.

**English Language Courses:** Provided to a limited number of Fellows before Fellowship begins.
Humphrey Program Eligibility Criteria

- Citizen of Mozambique
- Complete *Licenciatura*
- At least 5 years of professional experience
- English Proficiency (TOEFL required for selected Finalists)
- Public service orientation and commitment to Mozambique’s national development
- Limited U.S. experience

Isabel Kinlim (center), Executive Director, Solulixo and Maputo City Council Solid Waste Authority; Humphrey Fellow 2013-2014, Cornell University
Humphrey Program Eligible Fields of Study

- **Sustainable Development**
  - Agriculture and Rural Development
  - Economic Development/Finance and Banking
  - Natural Resources, Environmental and Climate Change Policy
  - Urban and Regional Planning

- **Democratic Institution Building**
  - Communications and Journalism
  - Law and Human Rights
  - International Religious Freedom
  - Public Policy Analysis and Public Administration
  - Trafficking in Persons Policy and Prevention
  - Technology Policy and Management
  - Human Resource Management

- **Education**
  - Educational Administration, Planning, and Policy
  - Higher Education Administration
  - Teaching English as a Foreign Language

- **Public Health**
  - Public Health Policy and Management
  - HIV/AIDS Policy and Prevention
  - Substance Abuse Education, Prevention, and Treatment
  - Contagious and Infectious Diseases

**Note:** educators, scientists, or researchers with no management or policy responsibilities are not eligible for the Humphrey Program (except for teachers of English as a Foreign Language and specialists in drug abuse prevention and treatment).
TOEFL or International English Language Testing System (IELTS): Required for all finalists

- Minimum TOEFL Score: 71 IBT
- Minimum IELTS: 6.0
Who is an Ideal Candidate?

**Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program**
- Licenciatura
- Usually, at least **2 years** work experience in field of study
- Endorsement of employer
- Good English skills
- Excellent grades/achievements
- Leadership skills
- Good writing skills
- Commitment to national development
- Limited or no previous travel to the U.S.
- **Strong results on required tests**
- **Interest in academic research**

**Humphrey Program**
- Licenciatura
- At least **5 years** work experience in field of study
- Endorsement of employer
- Good English skills
- Excellent grades/achievements
- Leadership skills
- Good writing skills
- Commitment to national development
- Limited or no previous travel to the U.S.
- **Desire to address a specific policy problem**
- **Interest in practical training and professional collaboration**
What Makes A GOOD Application?

- Complete and ACCURATE application, free from grammatical and factual errors.

- Complete application includes all certificates and signed recommendation letters.

- Follow instructions diligently and submit by indicated deadline.

- Remember: over 100 applicants for 3-5 spots.

- Interview panel will take 5 minutes to read your application the first time - you must grab their attention in those first five minutes.

Eugenio Paulo, Fulbright 2008-2010. MA in Economics, University of Kansas
What Makes a GREAT Application?

- Essays and answers that are specific and reveal your motivation, character, teamwork, interests, originality of ideas, and potential. Focus on your experiences, conclusions drawn, and lessons learned. Highlight why you should be picked over hundreds of other people.

- Clear articulation of why you want to study the field you have chosen, how it will help your institution and Mozambique in general, and how the Fellowship is relevant to your long-term goals.

- Information that is comprehensive, interesting, and makes the reader want to meet you in person.

- Reference letters from people who know you well and can speak about your attitude toward learning, knowledge of your field, motivation, work habits, seriousness of purpose, initiative, emotional maturity, teaching/research potential, interactive abilities, and/or ability to handle stress.
# Application & Selection Process for Fulbright Programs

## 12 month selection process

### Round I: U.S. Embassy Selection

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>March 24, 2020</td>
<td>Application deadline, including:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Transcripts/Diplomas officially translated into English</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- (official score report required for each year of university completed)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Essays</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Letters of Recommendations</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Standardized test scores (if applicant has taken before)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>May-June, 2020</td>
<td>Interviews by Embassy Selection Committee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>June-July, 2020</td>
<td>TOEFL testing for selected candidates</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
# Application & Selection Process for Fulbright Programs

## 12 month selection process

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Round II: U.S. State Department and Fulbright Board Selection</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>July-August, 2020</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>July-October, 2020</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>September, 2020</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>December, 2020</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
## Application & Selection Process for Fulbright Programs

### 12 month selection process

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Round III: University Selection</th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>December 2020-May/June 2021</strong></td>
<td>Universities review applications and make admissions decisions. Intensive English program participants identified.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>January/March-July, 2021</strong></td>
<td>Intensive English program for selected candidates. Successful participants continue on to graduate program.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>August 2021-June 2023</strong></td>
<td>Fulbright Program Dates</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Fulbright Application Timeline

- February 24, 2020 – Open Call for Applications
- March 24, 2020 - Application Deadline
- Late May-early June 2020 — Interviews
- June-July, 2020 – TOEFL Testing for Top Candidates
- Late July 2020 – U.S. Embassy Nominees Selected
- July-August 2020 – Testing and revision/resubmission of online applications
- September 2020 – Completed applications submitted to Washington, DC for final decision
- December 2020 – Fulbright Finalists announced
- March-June 2021 – Finalists placed at universities
- August/September 2021 – Fellowship Programs Begin
Humphrey Application Timeline

- May 22, 2020 – Open Call for Applications
- June 22, 2020 – Application Deadline
- Mid-July 2020 — Interviews
- July-September, 2020 – TOEFL Testing for Top Candidates
- Early August 2020 – U.S. Embassy Nominees Selected
- August-September 2020 – Testing and revision/resubmission of online applications
- Late-September 2020 – Completed applications submitted to Washington, DC for final decision
- February-March, 2021 – Humphrey Finalists announced
- April 2021 – Long-Term English Language Fellows arrive in the U.S. (LTE) award announced
- Finalists placed at universities
- June/July/August 2021 – Fellowship Programs Begin
Advice from Alumni

- “For those preparing their application forms, I think the key to at least arousing any interest from the first screeners is to tell your story (where do you come from, how have you reached the point where you are, what is your vision to the future, and most importantly, what makes you special). Remember everyone is special. The difference rests on how especially you tell your story.” - Manuel Mutimucuio, 2013-14 Humphrey Fellow, Michigan State University

- “The application process for the JSD provides a thorough evaluation of applicants, not only academically and professionally, but it also provides an opportunity to stand out individuals whom possess an unparalleled wish to increase their skills with the ultimate objective to contribute to the development of Mozambique. Thus my advice to prospective applicants is to strongly believe that it is possible to participate in the program, and to direct all efforts to excel in all the stages of the application process, as the rewards of participating in JDSP are immeasurable.” - Celso Tamele, 2009-2011 Fulbright Fellow, MA Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering, Oklahoma State University

- See “10 Tips” Document from Fulbright Alumna Erika Rodrigues
Advice from Alumni

Difference Between the Fulbright and Humphrey Programs

- “Hubert H. Humphrey is arguably the most prestigious of all US Department of State exchange programs. One can tell from the careful crafting of the program (access to federal and state agencies and leaders, participation at world leading universities, opportunity to work in different organizations from the World Bank to local non-profits, etc.), but especially from the ensemble of the program participants (young and adult proven leaders from all over the world). The program is not suited for persons pursuing post-graduate degrees. While the program includes some academic work (at the discretion of the host university), the primary focus is professional development. Humphrey fellows travel quite a lot within the states visiting government agencies, civil society and private organizations in their related field. Fellows are also invited to speak at public events to share their perspective about world challenges. University professors usually invite Humphrey fellows as guest lecturers. And at the end of the program, all fellows are required to complete at least 45 days of full time work at an organization of their choice. We have fellows being hosted by the World Bank, leading private companies and in my case a leading regional planning agency. All theses activities and others (depending on how proactive the fellow is) will make hard any intention of completing a degree, which is not the objective of the program in the first place. For those seeking degrees, the best path is to apply to the sister Fulbright program.” - Manuel Mutimucuio, 2013-14 Humphrey Fellow, Michigan State University
Important Websites

https://mz.usembassy.gov/educational_exchange/
www.humphreyfellowship.org
www.foreign.fulbrightonline.org

MaputoExchangePrograms@state.gov