



2020-2021 FULBRIGHT TEACHING EXCELLENCE AND ACHIEVEMENT (FULBRIGHT TEA) PROGRAM



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Participating Organizations

1) The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) of the U.S. Department of State

- Funds the program
- Provides overall oversight of implementation of the program
- Collaborates with IREX and U.S. Embassies and Fulbright Commissions to select program participants

2) IREX

- Collaborates with ECA, U.S. Embassies, Fulbright Commissions, and U.S. Host Universities to administer Fulbright TEA
- Conducts all aspects of monitoring and evaluation, provides participant support during the program, and administers U.S.-based aspects of the program
- Manages alumni programming



Participating Organizations

3) U.S. Embassies and/or Fulbright Commissions

- Manages recruitment
- Conducts pre-departure orientation
- Engages with alumni

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Fulbright TEA Program Overview

The Fulbright TEA Program is a six-week non-degree, non-credit professional development program at a U.S. university.

The Fulbright TEA Program includes:

- Teacher Training
- Field Experience in U.S. Schools
- Exchange of Best Practices in Teaching
- Civic and Cultural Activities



Fulbright TEA Program Overview

- Provides approximately 160 international secondary school teachers with professional development to enhance their expertise in the field of education.
- Contributes to improving education in participating countries and communities by preparing participants to serve as even stronger educational leaders who are equipped to apply and share their experience and skills with their colleagues and students upon returning home.
- Promotes mutual understanding between teachers, participants' schools, and communities in the United States and abroad.



Fulbright TEA Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must:

- Be full-time teachers of English, English as a Foreign Language (EFL), math, science, and social studies, including special education teachers in those subjects, at institutions serving primarily a local population;
- Have earned a Bachelor's degree or equivalent education and experience;
- Have five or more years of full-time teaching experience;
- Be citizen of and resident in Mozambique
- Earn a minimum score of 450 on the paper-based TOEFL;
- Demonstrate a commitment to continue teaching after completion of the program;
- Submit a complete application.



Fulbright TEA Participating Locations

Algeria
Argentina
Armenia
Bangladesh
Belarus
Bolivia
Burkina Faso
Burma
Cambodia
Cameroon
Chile
Colombia
Costa Rica
Cote d'Ivoire
Ecuador

Egypt
El Salvador
Ethiopia
Georgia
Ghana
Guatemala
Haiti
Honduras
India
Iraq
Jordan
Kazakhstan
Kyrgyzstan
Laos
Latvia

Malawi
Malaysia
Mali
Moldova
Mongolia
Mozambique
Nepal
Nicaragua
Nigeria
Panama
Peru
Russia
Rwanda
South Africa
Sri Lanka

Sudan
Tajikistan
Tanzania
Thailand
Tunisia
Turkmenistan
Uruguay
Uzbekistan
Venezuela
Vietnam
West Bank/Gaza
Zambia
Zimbabwe



Fulbright TEA Program Provisions

The fellowship provides:

- J-1 visa support
- A Pre-Departure Orientation (PDO) held in participant's home country
- Round-trip airfare to and within the U.S.
- An orientation workshop and end-of program workshop in the U.S.
- Academic program fees (paid directly to the host institution)
- Housing (generally shared with other participants) and meals
- Accident and sickness medical coverage (generally does not cover pre-existing conditions)
- Transportation to local schools (as needed)
- A daily allowance for incidentals during the university academic program
- A baggage allowance
- The opportunity for alumni in good standing to apply for alumni small grants.



Fulbright TEA Specific Regulations

- All program participants receive a J-1 visa.
- J-1 visa has a 30-day grace period for return travel, after end of the program.
- Program participants must return to their home countries for at least two years upon completion of the program, as stipulated by laws governing the J-1 visa.
- J-1 visa does not allow for paid employment during the program.
- Dependents may not join participants on program.
- No visa transfers or extensions will be given.



Fulbright TEA Selection Process

- Selection is made through a merit-based open competition.
- All applications are first reviewed for technical eligibility.
- The top candidates complete language testing and are interviewed by an interview panel.
- An external expert committee in Washington, D.C. reviews all nominations.
- The J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FFSB) makes the final selection of Fulbright Teachers.
- The FFSB is an independent, presidentially appointed board that has oversight responsibility for all Fulbright academic exchange programs.



Fulbright TEA Selection Criteria

- Demonstrated commitment to secondary education;
- Demonstrated leadership potential;
- Professional and educational experience and achievements;
- Potential for developing long-term linkages between U.S. and home country educational institutions and schools;
- Preparedness (including maturity, flexibility, and ability to function independently) for an intensive U.S. based training program;
- Willingness and capacity to work and live collaboratively with international peers to foster a positive learning community for professional development;
- Articulated ideas for applying program experience to improving secondary education in home country upon return;
- Ability to express ideas clearly and effectively;
- English language skills adequate to manage coursework, develop lesson plans, and team-teach in U.S. schools.



Fulbright TEA Selection Criteria

Preference will be given to applicants who:

- Are members of or who work with students from under-served communities or traditionally under-represented groups, including but not limited to, women, racial, ethnic and religious minorities, people with disabilities, and the LGBTI community.
- The Fulbright TEA Program promotes diversity in the classroom and in learning. The program supports inclusion and strongly encourages teachers with disabilities to apply.
- Have had few or no opportunities to travel to the U.S.
- Have not previously received a Fulbright teacher grant.
- Have not had substantial recent experience in the U.S. including study, teaching, research or employment for a period aggregating more than 9-months during the past five years.



Fulbright TEA Academic Program Overview

Customized General Academic Seminars focused on general education topics such as:

- Student-centered teaching methodologies
- Content-based instruction
- Project-based learning
- Infusing thematic topics into curriculum
- Lesson planning
- Instructional technology
- Classroom management
- Student assessment
- Differentiated instruction
- Teacher leadership



U.S. School Field Experiences

Fulbright TEA teachers take part in a field experience opportunity at a local U.S. secondary school, during which they:

- **Work one-on-one with a U.S. partner teacher**
- **Observe and co-teach classes**
- **Share expertise with U.S. partner school teachers and administrators**
- **Participate in extracurricular and staff professional development activities as available**
- **Build a relationship with a U.S. teacher and exchange and discuss teaching practices and school environments**

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We look forward to receiving your application!

THANK YOU!

