

How to Choose a Fulbright Grant Type

Do you have experience in the field in which you plan to carry out your project (ex. Senior thesis, internship, grant, RICE/conference, independent study, etc)?

Do you have teaching experience, or have you completed courses in Centre's Education minor? (ex. Tutoring, writing center, afterschool program, internships, etc)

How will a research grant or ETA impact your professional career? (can you make a clear connection between the Fulbright grant and your future plans?)

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Academic reasons (ex. Does your major/minor focus on a particular region/country/academic field? Have you taken specific classes or done research on the country?)

Country Preferences (ex. Some countries prefer applicants in specific fields. Do you meet the country requirements/preferences? Does your project align with the country's interests so that they would invite?)

Language (ex. Do you meet the language requirement/preference of the country?)

Country Uniqueness (ex. Is there something historically, geographically, politically, economically, etc unique about the country that pertains to your plans/project? Why do you need to go to this country, and nowhere else in the world? If ETA, is there something unique about the education system in the chosen country?)

Time in Country (ex. Have you spent more than a year in the chosen country?)

Personal reasons (ex. Is your family from a chosen country? Did you grow up with an exchange student from a chosen country?)

Country stats (ex. What is the success rate for applicants? For 2016-17, the UK received 933 apps for 44 placements (4% success rate); Germany received 377 apps for 140 placements (37% success rate) <https://us.fulbrightonline.org/statistics>)

Future Career (ex. Will you work with the country's population once you return to the US? Do you plan to have an international career?)