

2025 – 2026 Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program

The 2025 – 2026 Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program will bring international secondary-level teachers to the United States for a six-week program to take academic seminars for professional development at a host university and to observe and share their expertise with teachers and students at the host university and at local secondary schools.



General academic seminars focused on new teaching methodologies, student-centered learning, content-based instruction, lesson planning, and instructional technology training for teachers. Thematic cohorts also available on gender education, environmental education, and media literacy.



A practicum of at least 40 hours with a U.S. partner teacher in local secondary schools.



A variety of relevant professional development and cultural activities.

PROJECT TIMELINE

Accepting Applications.....	December 2024 – March 2025
Applicants Notified.....	August 2025
Spring 2026 Cohort Program.....	January – March 2026
Fall 2026 Cohort Program.....	September – October 2026

PARTICIPATING LOCATIONS

Albania • Algeria • Argentina • Armenia • Azerbaijan • Bangladesh • Barbados • Belarus • Bolivia
Bosnia and Herzegovina • Bulgaria • Burkina Faso • Burma • Cambodia • Cameroon • Chile • Colombia • Costa Rica
Cote d'Ivoire • Croatia • Czech Republic • Dominican Republic • Ecuador • Egypt • El Salvador • Estonia • Georgia
Ghana • Guatemala • Guinea-Bissau • Haiti • Honduras • Hungary • India • Iraq • Jordan • Kazakhstan • Kenya
Kyrgyzstan • Laos • Latvia • Lithuania • Malawi • Malaysia • Mali • Moldova • Mongolia • Nepal • Nicaragua • Niger
Nigeria • North Macedonia • Palestinian Territories • Panama • Papua New Guinea • Peru • Romania • Samoa
Serbia • Slovakia • Solomon Islands • Sri Lanka • Tajikistan • Tanzania • Thailand • Timor Leste • Togo • Tunisia
Türkiye • Turkmenistan • Ukraine • Uruguay • Uzbekistan • Vanuatu • Vietnam • Zambia

Eligibility and Selection Criteria

- Current secondary-level (middle and high school), full-time teachers of English, English as a Foreign Language (EFL), math, science, foreign language, social studies, journalism, or communications, including special education teachers in those subjects, at institutions serving primarily a local population
- Bachelor's degree or equivalent
- Minimum of three years of full-time teaching experience by the start of the program, with a preference for those who have completed at least five years of full-time teaching
- Demonstrated oral and written English language proficiency
- Citizen and resident of a participating location
- Other requirements as indicated in the application

An independent review committee will be convened to select participants for the program through a merit-based competition.

The Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program provides:



J-1 visa support



Roundtrip airfare



Accommodations, meals, and incidentals for the duration of the program



Accident and sickness medical coverage (supplementary to participant's existing insurance)



Workshop in Washington, DC



Professional development and cultural activities

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