Fulbright Commission in Egypt
Grants for Egyptian Graduate Students
The Fulbright Program

Introduction:

The Fulbright Program was initiated by Senator J. William Fulbright to foster friendly relations between the peoples of the United States of America and those of other countries around the world.

Today, there are over 52 Fulbright Commissions around the world.

Main objective: To increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of Egypt by means of educational and cultural exchange.
Overview of the Fulbright Commission in Egypt

HISTORY:

Established on November 3, 1949 with the primary goal of furthering mutual understanding between the peoples of the United States and Egypt.

TODAY:

One of the largest and most active commissions worldwide. It offered 5,000+ grants to Egyptian and American scholars and professionals in various fields.

Funding from the U.S. and Egyptian governments.

Binational Board of Directors.
AY2017-2018
Egyptian Fulbright Student Program

Aim: Providing an intellectual and professional opportunity for the study/research of disciplines in the social sciences, humanities, sciences and the arts.

Fields: All fields except medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine

Types of grants:

- **Degree**: Up to two years for persons wishing to pursue masters degrees in the U.S.
- **Non-Degree**: Maximum of one academic year (6-9 months) for persons registered for advanced degrees in Egyptian universities who wish to conduct research in the U.S.
- **Arts Grants**: 6-9 months for artists who wish to conduct field research or attend master classes with professionals in the U.S.

Announcement: January 28, 2016

Deadline: May 12, 2016
Eligibility Criteria

- **Egyptian citizenship;** holders of U.S. green cards and/or passports are ineligible.

- Applicants must **reside in Egypt** starting the application process till the travel date (in case of selection).

- **Bachelor’s degree.** Minimum of “**Good**” for applicants in **American studies, humanities, and social sciences.** Minimum of “**Very Good**” for applicants in the sciences.

- **Minimum of two years post-graduate experience at the time of application** for applicants in **American studies, humanities, and social sciences** only.

- **Degree and Non-Degree:** Minimum valid institutional (local) TOEFL score of 550 from AMIDEAST or any of the ETS Authorized Distributors and/or ITP Testing Centers or its equivalent iBT (80) or IELTS (6).

- **For Fine & Applied Arts applicants:** proof of post-graduation participation in at least three artistic activities or exhibitions; No TOEFL score required.

- **For Non-Degree applicants:** proof of registered masters or doctoral thesis at an Egyptian university.
# Current List of Authorized Distributors and ITP Testing Centers

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Application Tips

- Please follow guidelines carefully (line numbers, margins, etc.)
- Previous application?
- Checking with Fulbright Program Office

**Essays:**
- Study/Research Objectives
- Personal Statement
- Resume/C.V.

**Supporting Documents:**
- Letters of Reference (Required)
- Signature Form (Required)
- Academic Records Information (NOT Required)
- Report on Proficiency in English (NOT Required)

Uploading additional documents
Requirements for a Complete Application

All applicants:
- Completed online application form
  https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/international
- **Choice of correct AY**: 2017-2018
- Three recommendation letters hardcopies and/or online
- Copies of undergraduate and graduate certificates/diplomas and transcripts in English
- Signature Form
- Confirmation of application submission form
- One hard copy of submitted application

Special Requirements:
- **Students (Degree & Non-Degree)**: Appropriate minimum valid institutional (local) TOEFL score from AMIDEAST Egypt or its equivalent iBT or IELTS
- **Arts**: Proof of participation in 3 post-graduate artistic activities
- **Non Degree**: Thesis Registration Letter
Review Stages

- Inter-Office Screening
- Merit-Based Review
- Personal Interview
Main Review Criteria

- Quality of application, Study/Research Objectives and personal statement
- Knowledge of field
- Seriousness of purpose
- Potential multiplier effect
- English proficiency
- Previous experience in the U.S.
Tentative Schedule

- **Late January 2016:** Program announcement
- **May 12, 2016:** Deadline for submission of online application and supporting documents
- **August/September 2016:** Personal interviews. Interviews will be held in the Commission premises in Cairo only
- **October 2016:** Final nominations are announced
Affiliations

Affiliation will be secured for final selected candidates.

Applicants may wish to take the initiative to research the different institutions they wish to be affiliated with.

Art students will not necessarily be affiliated with universities.

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Grant Provisions

- Travel Allowance

- Monthly maintenance allowance to cover living costs while in the U.S. (based on location and in accordance with the Department of State Monthly Maintenance Rates (MMR) for foreign students

- Contribution to tuition fees for art grantees

- Accident and Sickness coverage provided through the U.S. Department of State Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges (ASPE)

- Other allowances: equipment per year ($500), books and supplies ($500/semester and $250/summer), and thesis allowance if applicable ($300)
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Foreign Language Teaching Assistants Program (FLTA)

**Aim:** Strengthens foreign language instruction by establishing a native speaker presence at U.S. educational institutions.

**Enables** Egyptian teachers/faculty to complete at least two academic courses per semester and engage in independent research related to their fields of study at U.S. universities while serving as cultural representatives and teaching one or two Arabic courses.

Eligibility is now open on a case-by-case basis to teachers or teachers in training of American Studies; Journalism & Media; and American or English Literature
Foreign Language Teaching Assistants Program (Cont.)

Eligibility Requirements:

- Minimum valid institutional (local) TOEFL score of 550 AMIDEAST or any of the ETS Authorized Distributors and/or ITP Testing Centers or its equivalent iBT (80) or IELTS (6)

Announcement: April 2016 (date to be confirmed)

Deadline: June 2016 (date to be confirmed)

For more information, visit: www.fulbright-egypt.org