

# Fulbright awards for 2007-2008

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*Greek Research Scholars*



*Established in Greece in 1948*

## The Fulbright Program

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The Fulbright Foundation in Greece was established in 1948 and take pride on operating the oldest Fulbright Program in Europe and the second oldest continuously operating Program in the world.

The Foundation in Greece offers opportunities for Greek and American citizens-students, teachers, scholars, and artists-to pursue a wide variety of educational projects. The Foundation awards grants to both Greek and U.S. citizens to enable them to study, teach, lecture or conduct research either in the United States or Greece. Since 1948, roughly 2,600 Greek and 1,700 American scholars have received awards through the Greek Program. The Fulbright Foundation, a non-profit, non-political autonomous, bi-national institution, has offices in Athens and Thessaloniki.

### Philosophy

The Fulbright Program, the premier international educational exchange program for students, scholars, researchers, and artists from throughout the world, promotes mutual understanding and peace between the people of the United States and citizens of other nations. The Program fosters cross-cultural personal interactions in an atmosphere of global awareness, academic freedom and intellectual integrity.

### Accomplishments

The Fulbright Program has brought together some of the finest minds from around the globe. More than 140 countries have participated in the Program since its inception in 1946 and more than 96,000 U.S. citizens and 158,000 participants from other countries have benefited from the Fulbright experience. Many Fulbright scholars are young professionals who will return to positions of leadership in their home countries. Fulbright alumni include Nobel and Pulitzer Prize winners, prime ministers and heads of state, professors and scientists, ambassadors and artists, Supreme Court Justices and CEOs.

### Overview and Guidelines

The Fulbright Foundation in Greece will award five to seven grants\* (the final number may change based on funding,) to Greek professors/researchers to lecture or conduct research at universities or research centers in the United States during the 2007-2008 academic year. Grants are awarded for projects that last from 60 days to 90 days and may be conducted at no more than two universities or research centers in the United States. Projects may begin as early as July 15, 2007 and must be completed by June 30, 2008. This award is open to scholars in all fields of study. Applicants must arrange their own university/research center invitation.

\*Two of the above mentioned grants will be funded through a special grant from the Stavros S. Niarchos Foundation. Priority for these awards will be given to candidates in the following fields: Environmental Engineering, Nutrition and Food Science, Museum and Cultural Studies, Political Science and Agriculture. All grants are subject to Fulbright Foundation's policy and conditions.

### Eligibility requirements

- Greek citizenship. Candidates with dual citizenship (US/Greek) or permanent residence in the United States are not eligible.
- A Ph.D degree.
- A minimum of five years' professional experience since earning a Ph.D. is required.
- English language fluency.
- A letter of invitation from a U.S. institution that includes:

1. A clear statement from the head of the Department and professor the applicant plans to work with, that the proposed time of his/her visit is acceptable to him/her and to the U.S. institution you wish to visit.
  2. A clear statement that the applicant's research project can be completed within the time frame specified. This is especially important if the applicant plans to work during the summer months.
- Priority will be given to applicants who have not had extensive recent experience in the United States.

## Grant benefits

- Monthly maintenance allowance of U.S. \$3,000. Recipients may continue their projects under the Foundation's auspices for more than 90 days if funding from sources other than the Fulbright Foundation is obtained. Proof of funding and its source will be required.
- Round-trip airfare.
- Limited health and accident insurance (for grantee only).
- Awards ceremony.
- J-I Exchange visitor visa.
- Benefits offered by the cooperating agency in the United States, the Council of International Exchange of Scholars (CIES).

## Conditions

- The Foundation's Board of Directors will review and re-evaluate the eligibility of the grant should the institutional invitation change.
- Scholars who have already begun their research or teaching activities in the United States, or are planning to depart Greece for the United States before July 2007, are not eligible to apply.
- All candidates who submit an application are required to discuss their proposed project (in person or by telephone) with the Foundation's Executive Director.
- All candidates selected for a Fulbright grant are required to submit a medical history and examination report before their grants can be finalized.
- Fulbright grant recipients will be responsible for making their own travel arrangements in collaboration with the Foundation's travel agent, according to Foundation policies.
- Grants cannot be deferred to the following year.
- Fulbright grant recipients must travel on a J-I visa sponsored by the Fulbright Program. It is a condition of the visa that after completion of the research program, scholars must return to Greece and reside there for two years before being eligible to immigrate or apply for permanent residence or a work permit in the United States. **The purpose of the two-year home residency requirement is to ensure that exchange visitors return to their home country and fulfill the exchange objectives of the Fulbright Program.**

## Application procedure

Candidates should contact the Senior Program Officer in Athens or the Educational Advisor in Thessaloniki and request an application form. Application forms will be available after September 11, 2006.

**Application deadline: December 7, 2006**

**Eight copies** of the Fulbright application and supporting documents should be delivered in person or by mail at the Fulbright Foundation in Athens, 6 Vassilissis. Sophias Avenue, 106 74. For residents of Northern Greece applications can also be forwarded to the Fulbright branch office in Thessaloniki, 4 Venizelou Street, 546 24 Thessaloniki. Faxed or e-mailed copies of applications will not be accepted. The following documents must be submitted **(in eight copies)**:

- ✓ Fulbright signed application form.
- ✓ One page abstract of how the applicant's proposed project and presence in the United States would promote the educational exchange between the United States and Greece as well as the "mutual understanding" element of the Fulbright Program.
- ✓ A research proposal not to exceed five single-spaced pages that clearly details the background, methodology, and objective of your project and its relationship to the objectives of the Fulbright Program.
- ✓ An official letter of invitation from the U.S. institution the applicant plans to attend.
- ✓ Three letters of reference, in English, submitted in sealed envelopes (**no copies are necessary**).

### Calendar for 2007-2008 Fulbright Research Scholar Awards

Competition opens	September 11, 2006
Competition closes	December 7, 2006
The Foundation's Board of Directors will review and nominate applications.	January 22 - February 16, 2007 (tentative)
Notification of results	March, 2007

#### For application forms contact:

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