

Fellowship Information Session

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LUC Fellowship Office



Forget Something?

The slides shared today are now
available on our website:

www.luc.edu/fellowshipoffice



What are Fellowships?

- National/International scholarships to conduct research, study abroad and a lot more!
- Different eligibility criteria
 - E.g. Sophomore, juniors, seniors, post graduate, soon-to-start Master's degree, etc.
- Different purposes and fields
 - English Teaching Assistant, Research, Department of State, Department of Defense, Public Service, STEM fields, etc.



Fellowship/Scholarship

- Most of the time, fellowships include a stipend
 - Range from \$1,000 to \$100,000+
- Some even provide you a job offer!



Fellowships

- Most are competitive and have strict deadlines
- Some require an interview
 - With Loyola staff
 - Staff from the specific organizations
- Some have campus deadlines or limits
 - E.g. for the Goldwater Fellowship, Loyola can only nominate 4 students
 - E.g. for Fulbright, campus recommendation
 - Usually campus deadline is 3-4 weeks before actual deadline



Most fellowships are competitive but...

- It's not just about winning. The application process has benefits on its own. Even if you aren't awarded a fellowship, you'll learn more about the program and even yourself!



Where to Find Fellowships

- Many fellowships listed on the fellowship website
 - www.luc.edu/fellowshipoffice/fellowships.shtml
- This is not an exhaustive list!
 - New types of fellowships every year
 - Fellowship office can work with you for any type of fellowships



How can Fellowship Office help?

- Find fellowship opportunity
- Help and Guide you through the process
- Review your essays/statements
- One-on-One individual consultation
- Review your application
- Loyola is a member of the National Association of Fellowships Advisors (NAFA)



Questions? Need Help?

Contact us!

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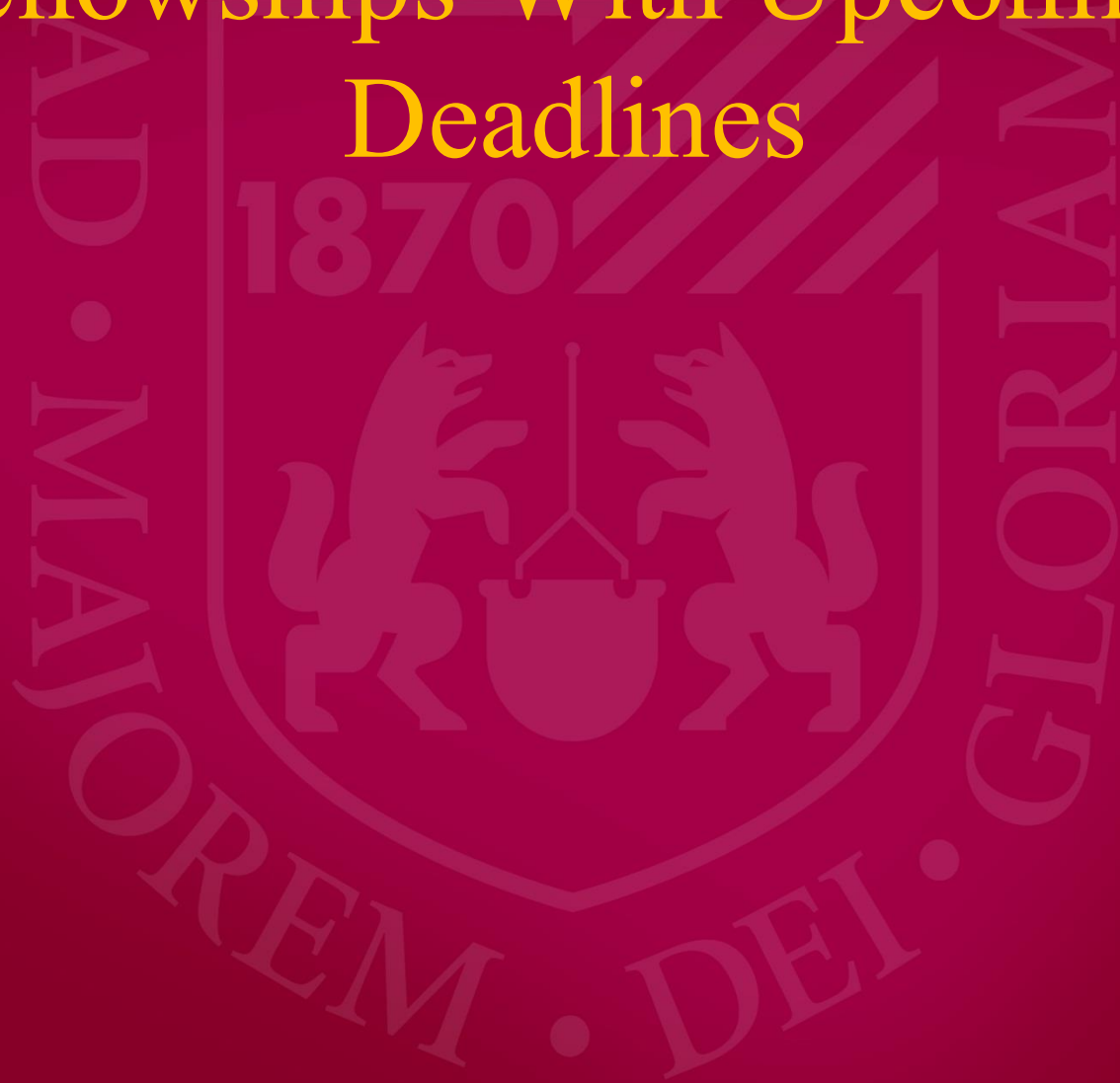


Awarded a Fellowship?

- Please contact us so that we can brag about you!



Fellowships With Upcoming Deadlines



Samvid Scholarships

- Deadline: April 9, 2023
- Empowers future leaders and changemakers through leadership development programming and community-building events.
- First-year Graduate student for the AY 23-24
- Undergraduate GPA of ≥ 3.5
- US Citizen or DACA recipient
- Eligible programs: MD, MBA, JD, MPP/MPA, MPH, MS/MA in **social sciences or STEM**
- \$50,000 each year for 2 years + 2 years of leadership development programming



National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowships

- Deadline: April 12, 2023
- All disciplines
- Conduct research or produce a book or similar publication
- Maximum award amount \$60,000 (\$5,000 per month)
- Project start date: January 1, 2024 - September 1, 2025



Loyola Fellowship Internship Grant

- Deadline: April 30, 2023
- \$1,000 to \$10,000
- All LUC students who have an unpaid (or underpaid) internship
- Our goal is that FIG leads to other nationally-competitive scholarship opportunities
- Application open now!



The Institute of Current World Affairs (ICWA)

Fellowship

- Supports fellows for two-year immersive programs of independent research and writing abroad.
- Letters of interest must be submitted by **May 31, 2023**. The final selection will be made in November.
- ICWA provides full financial support for its fellows and their immediate accompanying families.



Schwarzman Scholars Program

(Tsinghua, Beijing)

- Master's degree program
- Tsinghua University known for global-class programs in international leadership
- Timeline for US applicants
 - Application Period: Apr 2023 - Sep 2023
 - Selection Cycle: Nov 2023
 - Program Begins: Aug 2024
- Between 100 – 200 U.S. students chosen; students from Europe and China also apply for same cohort



Marshall/Mitchell Scholarships

(U.K./Ireland)

- You must apply to a U.K. university graduate program for the Marshall, or an Irish graduate program for the Mitchell
- Campus deadline is end of August
- Possible interview with President Reed
- Annual deadlines for Marshall and Mitchell always end of September



Knight-Hennessy Scholars Program (Stanford)

- For graduate study, including JD, MA, MBA, MD, MFA, MS, and PhD programs
- In addition to degree, part of a Scholars cohort with additional programming
- Review the criteria here. Essentially, social responsibility in addition to academic merit
- U.S. citizens have one competition; other world area regions have their own for same cohort
- Application will open on June 1, 2023. October application deadline for this year will go live on **website in early May**.



Rhodes Scholarship to Oxford

- Deadline last year was October 2022
- **Campus deadline:** September 3rd
- Possible interview with President Reed
- 32 scholars from U.S; Illinois and Ohio are District 10
 - Last year there were 2 winners from district 10
- DACA students can apply



Rhodes Scholarship to Oxford

- You must apply to an Oxford University graduate program on your own, concomitant with the Rhodes application
- Complex application, including five – eight recommenders, some for character (not academic)
 - Complex process, lots of great info on the website:



The Fulbright Program

- **The Fulbright Study/Research Award:** A candidate designs a proposal for a specific country.
- **The Fulbright English Teaching Assistant** programs place grantees in schools overseas to supplement local English language instruction and to provide a native speaker presence in the classrooms.



The Fulbright Program

- For both Fulbright Study/Research and Fulbright ETA, the LUC campus deadline falls before the actual Fulbright deadline
 - Campus deadline is **September 10**
 - Fulbright deadline is **October 10**



The Fulbright Study/Research (S/R) Award

- Applicants for study/research awards design their own projects and will typically work with advisers at foreign universities or other institutes of higher education.
- The study/research awards are available in approximately 140 countries.
 - Program requirements vary by country, so the applicants' first step is to familiarize themselves with the program summary for the host country.



Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship (ETA)

- Specifically focuses on placing U.S. college graduates in classrooms overseas to assist English teachers and provide language instruction to non-native English speakers. ETA programs are available in many countries worldwide, and typically last for one academic year.



Field Specific Awards

- Fulbright Arts Grants
 - Creative and performing arts applicants are required to submit supplementary materials based on their disciplines
- Fulbright Business Grants
- Fulbright Journalism & Communication Grants
- Fulbright Grants in STEM and Public Health



New for Fulbright 2024-25



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Program Award Types



Study/Research Grant

Independent research, study, or arts projects abroad



950+

Awards



8-10

Months



~130

Countries

English Teaching Assistantship (ETA)

Help teach English and U.S. culture in the classroom



1,150+

Awards



8-10

Months



~75

Countries



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2024 - 2025 General Program Updates

- ◆ **Competition Opened:**

March 30, 2023

- ◆ **National Deadline:**

October 10, 2023

- ◆ **NSC Meetings:**

November - mid-December

— 2.5% Decrease worldwide

▶ **ETA awards: Fewer overall grants**

▶ **S/R partnered awards: Increase in grants**

— **Application and Selection**

— **Support for participants**

LUC deadline is September

10th!



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East Asia-Pacific

Regional Trends

- More Study/Research applications needed – particular interest in Arts candidates
- ETA applicants must demonstrate a sincere interest in teaching and in the host country

Award Updates

- 10 New Graduate Degree Awards: Taiwan

Undersubscribed Programs

- **Study/Research:** Brunei, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, the Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand
- **ETA:** Laos, Timor-Leste, Mongolia
- **Graduate Degree Grants:** Korea & Taiwan



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Eastern Europe & Eurasia

Regional Trends

- Interest in combatting disinformation in the region
- Media Literacy- another topic to highlight
- Program suspensions in Belarus/Russia/Ukraine

Undersubscribed Programs

- Armenia
- Azerbaijan
- Georgia
- Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia
- Slovak Republic



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Western Europe

Regional Trends

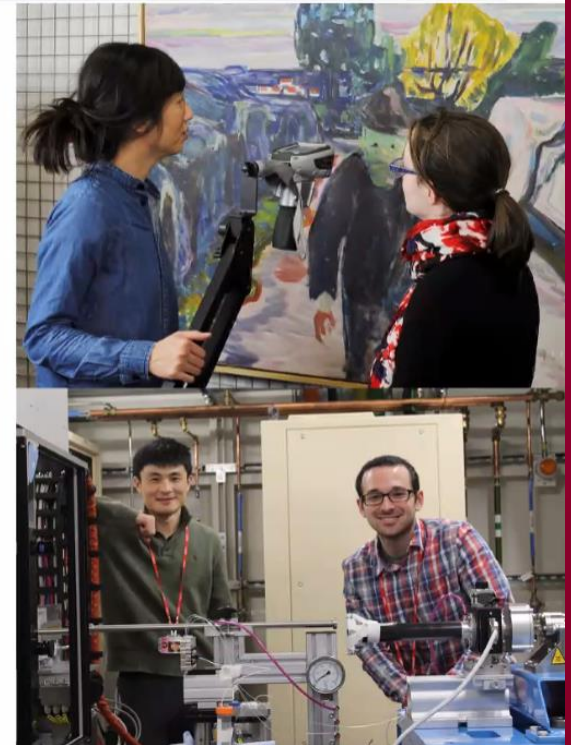
⦿ Reminder: university applications and requirements vary, students should read award descriptions closely.

New Awards

- ⦿ Austria
- ⦿ Greece
- ⦿ France
- ⦿ Spain

Undersubscribed Programs

- ⦿ Italy: Fulbright/Deafness Studies Award, Fulbright/Fondazione Falcone-NIAF Award to Promote the Rule of Law, Open Study/Research Award at Fondazione CON IL SUD
- ⦿ Partnership awards are great opportunities for students to apply to very competitive countries.
- ⦿ Doctoral awards across the region. Especially in France, Finland, Iceland.



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Middle East & North Africa

Regional Trends

- Grantees should be culturally sensitive, flexible, adaptive, patient, and self-sufficient.
- Most countries within the region require government and/or research clearances that may need additional documents and time, particularly Oman and Egypt.
- S/R affiliation letter requirements vary by country – may be required or recommended at the application deadline, semi-finalist stage, etc.
- Most applications and grants go to Jordan, Morocco, and Israel.

Undersubscribed Programs

- Bahrain S/R
- Kuwait S/R
- Saudi Arabia ETA

New Awards

- Egypt Arabic Language Study at CAASIC



2021-22 research grantee Tomas Valdes at Abu Dhabi's Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, a UAE iconic landmark.



New for Fulbright 2024-25



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South & Central Asia

Regional Trends

- Continued growth in ETA Programs to Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan.
- ETA Program to India is suspended starting in 2024-2025.
- General focus on English Teaching and Disinformation and Media Literacy in Central Asia.
- Foreign language proficiency recommended (but not required) in several Central Asia region countries.

- SCA region requires flexibility and indication that the applicant understands the challenges of the country and has realistic expectations.

Undersubscribed Programs

- Study/Research awards generally undersubscribed to all of Central Asia, as well as for Sri Lanka



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Sub-Saharan Africa

Regional Notes & Highlights

- Applicants should be adaptable, patient and mature.
- Study/Research applicants should read the award descriptions carefully, as the degree level requirements and affiliation letter guidelines vary by country.

New Award

- Mozambique ETA

Undersubscribed Programs

- Botswana (S/R)
- Cote d'Ivoire (S/R)
- Guinea
- Republic of Congo (Congo-Brazzaville)
- Tanzania
- Togo



*Brianna Lawton, 2020-21
Accra, Ghana*



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Western Hemisphere

Regional Highlights

- ETA in Brazil: 20 awards (down from 40)
- Removed from website: Nicaragua and Venezuela
- Canada expressed interest in applicants doing cutting-edge research in areas now highlighted on the award descriptions. They also added a link to shared Canadian-American priorities that they'd like applicants to consider.

New Awards

- None

Undersubscribed Programs

- Bolivia S/R
- El Salvador S/R
- Honduras (both awards)
- Paraguay (both awards)
- Trinidad & Tobago S/R
- COMEXUS Public Policy Initiative Award
- Chile Science Initiative Award
- Ecuador S/R
- Uruguay S/R



Abraham Wasserstein, 2021-22
Talamanca, Costa Rica



New for Fulbright 2024-25



Fulbright-National Geographic Award



Open to Fulbright U.S. Student Program Open Study/Research Award semi-finalists who express interest

Researchers, conservationists, educators, technologists, or storytellers who require additional funds to broaden or deepen their Fulbright project or build a science communication component

Join National Geographic Explorer Community, gaining access to a global network of Explorers and specialized resources

Mentorship by National Geographic Explorers

Additional grant funds from the National Geographic Society to expand your research and/or help bring your story to life for up to \$20,000

Semi-finalists will be invited to submit additional materials for National Geographic in late January/early February 2024.



Previous Fulbright Winners

- Jenna Tuckerman to Morocco in 2023



Next Steps for Fulbright

- Go to the Fulbright website!
 - Each program and host country has different requirements, eligibility, timelines and financial incentives.
 - Read the website carefully to learn what is required from each program or region.
 - Countries have their own visa requirements and timelines so read everything closely!



International Affairs Fellowships

- Rangel and the Pickering Fellowships both aim to prepare outstanding young people for careers in the Foreign Service of the U.S. Department of State.
- Both programs provide financial support for graduate studies, internships, mentoring, and professional development activities to students who are pursuing careers in international affairs.
- While both fellowship programs have similar goals and provide similar opportunities, they have different eligibility criteria and application processes.



Rangel Graduate Fellowship

- Funds a one to a two-year graduate program
- Applicants must:
 - Be seeking admission to enter graduate school in the fall of 2024 for a two-year program at a U.S. university in an area of relevance to the Foreign Service. They can be in the senior year of their undergraduate studies, graduating by June 2024, or they can be college graduates.
 - Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.2
 - Be a U.S. citizen.
- Up to \$37,500 annually for two years



Rangel International Affairs Programs

- Timeline from last year
 - Application Closes: September 22, 2022
 - Finalists Notified: November 1, 2022
 - Final Round to Select Fellows: November 16 - November 17, 2022
 - Offers made to 45 Finalists: November 18, 2022



Pickering International Affairs Programs

- For students interested in the U.S. Foreign Service
- Funds a one to a two-year graduate program
- To apply, applicants must:
 - Be seeking admission to enter graduate school in the fall of 2024 for a two-year program at a U.S. university in an area of relevance to the Foreign Service. They can be in the senior year of their undergraduate studies, graduating by June 2024, or they can be college graduates.
 - Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.2
 - Be a U.S. citizen.
- The Pickering Program plans to award 45 fellowships of up to \$42,000 annually for a two-year period for tuition, room, board, books, and mandatory fees for completion of two-year master's degrees. This includes up to \$24,000 per year for tuition and mandatory fees and an academic year stipend of \$18,000.



Pickering International Affairs Programs

- Timeline from last year
- Application Open: July 5, 2022
- Application Closes: September 29
- 2022 Finalists Notified: November 10, 2022
- Finalist Selection Process: December 7-9, 2022



Awarded a Fellowship?

- Please contact us so that we can brag about you!



Want to stay in the Fellowship loop? Sign up here!



- Use your phone to scan the QR code
- Please do this whether you are online or in-person



Need Help With The Essays?

Eric and Andy are always here to help:

Stop by Sullivan 206 (ask for Andy)

Email fellowship@luc.edu

The Writing Center (IC 221) is also a
great resource!



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