



THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA INVITES
APPLICATIONS FOR THE
2021-2022 HUBERT H. HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Program Description:

The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program is a Fulbright program that brings accomplished young and mid-career professionals with demonstrated leadership potential to the United States for a year of non-degree graduate-level study, leadership development, and substantive professional collaboration with U.S. counterparts.

By providing future leaders and policy makers with experience in U.S. society, culture, and professional fields, the program provides a basis for lasting, productive ties between Americans and their professional counterparts overseas. Fellows are nominated by embassies (through public affairs sections) or Fulbright commissions based on potential for leadership and commitment to public service.

According to the Policy Statements (Section 340) of the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FFSB), independent panels with appropriate regional and thematic expertise review nominations in comparison with others from the same world region. Primary funding for the Humphrey program is provided by the Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs from its Congressional appropriation for exchanges.

Academic:

The Humphrey program is classified as a non-degree program by the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS). Humphrey Fellows cannot transfer from non-degree status to degree status under any circumstances. Degree-seeking candidates are directed to other Fulbright scholarship opportunities that can be viewed on the U.S. Embassy's website: "tt.usembassy.gov".

Humphrey Fellows pursue tailored study programs at participating host institutions, where the freedom from the requirements of a degree program gives each Fellow the flexibility to pursue a

self-directed, individualized program. There is no provision for Fellows to request placement at any particular university. Approximately 14 campuses have been selected through a competitive process to host Fellows in groups with thematic and subject affinities. Each university is chosen based on institutional resources and the level of support and guidance it offers to the participants. Each campus has a designated faculty coordinator for academic and administrative support. In addition, faculty advisors also assist Fellows in pursuing balanced academic and professional programs.

Professional:

Professional enrichment activities include professional visits, conferences, training programs, and a professional affiliation (work attachment). The professional affiliation provides first-hand exposure to an American work environment on a full-time basis for a minimum period of 6 weeks. Early in the academic year, each Fellow develops, with assistance from the local campus coordinator and faculty advisors, a detailed plan of practical professional activities geared to the Fellow's Humphrey program objectives.

Fields of Study:

Sustainable Development

- a. Agricultural and Rural Development
- b. Economic Development/Finance and Banking
- c. Natural Resources, Environmental and Climate Policy
- d. Urban and Regional Planning

Democratic Institution Building

- a. Communications and Journalism
- b. Law and Human Rights
- c. International Religious Freedom
- d. Public Policy Analysis and Public Administration
- e. Trafficking in Persons Policy and Prevention
- f. Technology Policy and Management
- g. Human Resource Management

Education

- a. Educational Administration, Planning and Policy
- b. Higher Education Administration
- c. Teaching of English as a Foreign Language

Public Health

- a. Public Health Policy and Management
- b. HIV/AIDS Policy and Prevention
- c. Substance Abuse Education, Prevention, and Treatment (see note below)
- d. Contagious and Infectious Diseases

Note on Substance Abuse Education, Prevention, and Treatment field: ECA cooperates with the National Institute on Drug Abuse which provides some co-funding to work with Humphrey Fellows in the field of substance abuse. Candidates must have either a research background in the field or demonstrated ability to learn the results and policy implications of current research. The candidates should be recruited and ranked together with candidates in other fields and must complete the supplementary field-specific page of the Humphrey application for this topic area.

Selection:

Appropriate candidates are young and mid-career professionals in leadership positions who have a commitment to public service and the potential for professional advancement.

Prospective Fellows should have a minimum of five years full-time professional experience (prior to August 2020) in the relevant field, after completing a university degree, and should be interested in the policy aspects of their field of specialization.

Please note that candidates must have completed a university degree program requiring at least four years of full-time study to qualify for participation in U.S. graduate study programs.

Candidates should be proficient in both written and spoken English. Accordingly, they should demonstrate the required experience, skills, and commitment while also indicating how they can benefit from this program in ways that they have not experienced previously and are not likely to experience without the Humphrey Program.

Applicants with distinguished records but who do not have a compelling need for the Humphrey experience are not appropriate candidates.

A candidate with recent third-country experience, especially in developed countries, may have a less compelling need for the Humphrey Program than a candidate who has never had a significant professional opportunity abroad. Candidates who have had a recent professional or study experience in a highly developed country, should explain why this experience has not already addressed their need for professional training and leadership development; individuals with dual U.S. citizenship or U.S. permanent resident status may not apply to the program, since they are ineligible for a J visa.

Possible Ineligibility:

A candidate may be removed from consideration if he or she does not meet all of the technical eligibility requirements. If you believe your candidate deserves exceptional consideration despite an inability to meet an eligibility requirement, please explain why in your Nomination Committee Report.

Ineligible candidates include:

- Recent university graduates (even if they have significant positions);
- University teachers or academic researchers with no management responsibilities (except in the fields of Substance Abuse Education, Prevention, and Treatment and Teaching of English as a Foreign Language);
- Individuals who have attended a graduate school in the United States for one academic year or more during the seven years prior to August 2020;
- Individuals with U.S. in-country experience of any kind lasting more than six months during the

- five years prior to August 2020; and
- Individuals with dual U.S. citizenship or U.S. permanent resident status may not apply to the program; they are ineligible for a J visa.

Dependents:

Humphrey Fellows may bring dependents on J-2 visas to accompany them while in the United States if they meet all criteria described in this paragraph. All expenses for J-2 dependents must be covered by the grantee. The Humphrey Fellowship stipend is not sufficient to support anyone in addition to the grantee. Awards do not include an additional allowance for dependents.

Candidates who are considering whether to have dependents join them are advised of the high cost of living in the United States. Fellows who wish to have family members join them during all or part of their fellowship year must receive prior approval following a technical review of evidence that they have adequate personal funds to cover living expenses and dependents' health insurance and child care. Health insurance for dependents is required and may cost USD 200 per month per dependent. Failure to provide adequate dependent health insurance coverage is grounds for terminating the grant award due to non-compliance with J visa requirements.

Application Forms:

As noted above, only electronic submissions of applications will be accepted. The application file is available on the website <https://apply.iie.org/hubberthumphrey>

Application deadline: July 31, 2020.

Information on the above program as well as other Fulbright Scholarship opportunities can be found on the U.S. Embassy's website: tt.usembassy.gov. Inquiries may be forwarded to e-mail: pos-exchange@state.gov

Social Media

The Humphrey Program is on Facebook, YouTube and LinkedIn. Interested applicants can interact with current Fellows and alumni, and learn more about the program through our semi- weekly posts on Facebook. Access our YouTube page to see videos of Fellows and alumni discussing their Humphrey Programs. Candidates can join LinkedIn to participate in field- specific discussions with Fellows and alumni.

