FULBRIGHT COMPETITION INFORMATION
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2015-16 Fulbright Application will open on May 1, 2014.
http://us.fulbrightonline.org

UCSB Application Deadline:
Friday, September 12th, 2014

Online application must be submitted to meet the
Graduate Division deadline:
https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/usa/25/

Submitted Application Includes:
• 3 Letters of Recommendation
• Official Transcripts (scanned and uploaded)
• Language Evaluation
• Letter of Affiliation (if applicable)

Tips for Developing a Successful Fulbright Project
Developing a strong, feasible and compelling project proposal is the
most important aspect of a successful Fulbright application. Your first
step should be to familiarize yourself with the program summary for the country to which you wish to apply. The
program design varies somewhat from country to country (i.e., some countries encourage applicants to incorporate
coursework into a project, while others prefer independent research). Please ensure that your project design fits the
program guidelines for your host country. It is essential that applicants have adequate formal training for the study or
research that they wish to pursue, and that their language skills be commensurate with the requirements of their
proposed project.

The National Screening Committee
The National Screening Committee takes into consideration the nature of the
project, its originality, the academic preparation for completing the project described, including language proficiency, and
the interest of the student as evidenced by any advanced research that may have been done to determine that the
resources needed to accomplish the proposed project are, in fact, available in the potential country.

Ph.D. Status
Doctoral candidates should indicate when they expect to complete their preliminary or comprehensive
examinations and whether their project statements have been accepted as dissertation proposals.

Language Acquisition
Developing a hospitality or basic level of language proficiency (which most applicants can obtain
between applying and starting a grant) is highly recommended in order to successfully complete your program and to
survive comfortably while overseas. Begin to prepare at the earliest possible time.

Writing the Research Project Proposal
The best project proposals begin with good ideas. Start by putting your ideas
on paper and listing your goals and objectives. Share your ideas with your academic adviser and professional colleagues
in your field. As you work on your project, remember your audience. Avoid discipline-specific jargon. The
interdisciplinary faculty reading your proposal prefer you be direct about the "who, what, when, where, why and how"
of the project.

Link with a Local University or Research Organization at Your Destination
Thanks to the widespread use of the
Internet, it is now easier than ever to make contacts overseas. An affiliation with a local institution gives you access to
information, books, equipment, contacts and other resources that will prove invaluable to your research. Mention these
key points as you obtain a letter of affiliation.

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