

GRANTS FOR SCHOLARS, GRADUATE STUDENTS AND ENGLISH TEACHERS

The Fulbright Commission is pleased to announce that, starting on **August 1st, 2017**, it will be receiving applications from Brazilian citizens to develop academic activities in the U.S. These awards are part Fulbright program and aims to promote mutual understanding between peoples from the United States and from other countries.

The Commission will award up to **80** grants in open competition for Brazilian citizens that are faculty members, graduate students and recent graduates English teachers in Brazil.

The grants are awarded over the U.S academic year 2018/2019 **August/ September 2018** to **May/ June 2019**. The duration is variable going from four months to Scholars and nine months to the Students and the English teachers.

| Fulbright Program | Up to |
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| Chair | 10 |
| Doctoral Dissertation Research Award (DDRA) | 30 |
| Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Program (FLTA) | 20 |
| Junior Faculty Member Award | 10 |
| Visiting Professor Award | 10 |

A general instruction package for each program is available through the www.fulbright.org.br. Applications must be submitted in the online application system by **October 1st, 2017**.

It is a unique opportunity to participate in the U.S. flagship educational exchange program and become a *Fulbrighter* for life.

Sincerely,



Luiz Valcov Loureiro, PhD
 Executive Director
 Fulbright Commission



ANNOUNCEMENT

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

THE FULBRIGHT FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHING ASSISTANT PROGRAM (FLTA)

The FLTA Program is designed to increase mutual understanding between the United States and Brazil fostering Portuguese language proficiency at U.S. colleges and universities. It provides an opportunity for young Brazilian teachers to refine their teaching skills, increase their English language proficiency and extend their knowledge of the cultures and customs of the United States by engaging in non-degree studies while strengthening the instruction of the Portuguese language at U.S. colleges and universities.

The Commission will award up to **20 grants** for young Brazilian teachers to get an opportunity to teach Portuguese language and culture to American students in universities and colleges for one academic year (**9 months**), usually beginning in **August/September 2018** and ending in **May/June 2019**. The FLTA is a non-degree program. Candidates are required to arrive on the reporting date indicated when notified of an award and will be required to return to Brazil when their FLTA Program is completed.

Teaching Assistants are required to attend two academic courses per semester, in which, one must be related to American studies (American history and culture).

1. ELIGIBILITY

The candidate must have received a bachelor degree in English and/or Portuguese Languages **after December 31st, 2012** and meet the English language requirement as indicated in item 3. This grant cannot be cumulated with any other similar grant with the same purpose. **Candidates cannot be accompanied by dependents** during their assistantships and must be able to travel to the U.S. without an escort. Only Brazilians citizens are eligible and dual Brazilian/U.S. citizens are not.

Note: The candidate must stay in Brazil during the selection, affiliation and depart to U.S.

2. FUNDING

The Commission will fund:

- Monthly maintenance: to cover living expenses, variable from host institution to host institution;
- International air ticket;
- Limited health coverage through (ASPE - Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges);
- Orientation Seminar in São Paulo, and

- J-1 visa fee.

3. SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The candidate must read carefully the Application Instructions and submit the online application form both available at <http://fulbright.org.br/edital/flta/>, **including all the following documents that are mandatory:**

- Brazilian passport ID pages, if available, ID card or driver's license
- If the candidate has already received a J-1 visa, copy of the DS-2019 form and the visa on the passport;
- Academic transcripts: Applicants must submit official, complete and certified diplomas and transcripts in Portuguese, covering the entire period of study at universities and other post-secondary institutions;
- CV in English, no more than three pages;
- FLTA minimum language requirements accomplished after July 1, 2016 (no less than 550 (TOEFL-ITP), 79-80 (Internet Based TOEFL - iBT), or 6.0 (Overall Score International English Language Testing System - IELTS);
- Three letters of reference in English;
- Applicants must record and send to flta@fulbright.org.br a thirty-seconds video as part of the selection, in English, answering the question: **why do you want to be an FLTA?**

Candidates must submit their applications through the online application system until the deadline. Candidates are responsible for ensuring that all supporting documents are attached to the online application, as outlined here above. The Fulbright Commission will not consider applications with inaccurate, insufficient or inconsistent data or missing supporting documents.

4. SELECTION PROCESS

The Fulbright Commission will screen and select all valid applications. A peer review panel, nominated by the Commission, will assess candidates' academic and professional qualifications. An interview will be required, by videoconference or phone. The Fulbright Commission will nominate the selected candidate for final approval by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FFSB). The cooperating agency will place the selected candidates at U.S. universities that have been chosen to host FLTA Fellows. Preference will be given to candidates with no significant previous academic experience in the U.S and/or for all qualified individuals from underrepresented groups.

5. TIMELINE

- **October 1st, 2017:** deadline for online applications submission;
- **November, 2017:** videoconference or phone interviews;
- **December, 2017:** results of the selection process, and
- **August/September 2018:** start of activities in the U.S.

6. INFORMATION

Additional information about the “**Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Program**”
Fulbright Commission - www.fulbright.org.br

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