



**GRANTS FOR BRAZILIANS – CYCLE 2020-2021
SCHOLARS, GRADUATE STUDENTS AND ENGLISH TEACHERS**

The Fulbright Commission is pleased to launch the call for applications for awards to Brazilian citizens to develop academic activities in the U.S. These awards are part of the 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 graduated English teachers in Brazil.

Fulbright Program	Up to	
Visiting Professor Award	10	
Junior Faculty Member Award	10	
Doctoral Dissertation Research Award - <i>Doutorado-Sanduiche</i>	30	
Foreign Language Teaching Assistantship - FLTA	20	
Fulbright-Ruth Cardoso Chair at Georgetown University	1	TBC
Fulbright Chair at University of California, Davis	1	TBC
Fulbright Chair at Purdue University	1	TBC
Fulbright Chair at Emory University	1	
Fulbright Chair in Brazilian Studies at University of Massachusetts, Amherst	1	
Fulbright Chair in Brazilian Studies at University of Texas, Austin	1	
Fulbright Chair in Agricultural Sciences at University of Nebraska, Lincoln	1	
Fulbright Chair in Global Health University of New Jersey, Rutgers	1	
Fulbright Chair in Global Cities at the City University of New York	1	
Fulbright Chair in Music at Indiana University, Bloomington	1	

The grants are awarded over the U.S academic year 2020/2021 **August/ September 2020 to May/ June 2021**. The duration is variable going from four months to scholars and nine months to students.

A general instruction package for each award is available at www.fulbright.org.br. **Applications must be submitted online by July 28th, 2019, 08:00 p.m. Brasilia time.**

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 in Brazil



GRANTS FOR BRAZILIANS – CYCLE 2020-2021 DOCTORAL DISSERTATION RESEARCH AWARD (DDRA)

The Commission will award up to **30** grants in open competition for Brazilian citizens currently enrolled in doctoral programs at Brazilian public and private universities to develop part of their dissertation in the U.S. The DDRA provides opportunities to doctoral candidates to engage in nine-months dissertation research in the U.S. The grant is awarded for one academic year, beginning in **August or September 2020** and ending in April, **May or June 2021**.

1. ELIGIBILITY AND ENGLISH REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must be Brazilians citizens, without U.S. dual citizenship; be regular students enrolled at a Brazilian PhD program; meet English language requirements indicated below; stay in Brazil during the selection process, affiliation and depart to the U.S. It is not allowed to accumulate this award with any other similar grant.

The minimum language requirements to apply to DDRA program are assessed through standard tests, taken no earlier than **July 27th 2017**, with the score as follows: 71 TOEFL iBT, 527 TOEFL ITP or 6.0 IELTS.

The candidates recommended as nominees for final approval who do not have valid scores until August 2020, will be required to take another TOEFL or IELTS test by November 2019. A nominee must achieve the minimum scores as indicate above in order to get the award.

The Commission, at its own discretion and expenses, can offer to nominees with scores ranging from 71 to 79 TOEFL iBT; 527 to 550 TOEFL ITP or IELTS 6.0 Pre-Academic English Programs. The Pre-Academic English Programs at a U.S. university include intensive English instruction, English language refinement, field-of-study instruction (if required) and orientation to U.S. society, culture and institutions of higher education. During this period of adjustment to life and study in the U.S. Fulbright students are also introduced to the Fulbright community, as well as the benefits and responsibilities of their Fulbright grants.

2. FUNDING

The Commission will fund:

- Monthly Stipend: living expenses, exclusively for the grantee, variable with the host institution campus, following the U.S. State Department Monthly Maintenance Rate (MMR), ranging from \$1,375 to \$2,660;
- International air ticket;
- Settle-in allowance: US\$ 2,000;
- Financial support to participate in academic events in the U.S, upon prior approval: up to US\$ 2,000;
- Pre-Academic English Language Program: from four to six weeks of English language course in the U.S.; mandatory for the awardees selected to participate by the Fulbright Commission according to proficiency level, host institution and research field;
- Orientation seminar and visa procedures in São Paulo;
- Limited health insurance coverage: ASPE - Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges. If ASPE is not accepted by the host institution, the Commission can fund the host institution mandatory health coverage limited to US\$ 3,000 per academic year; and,
- J-1 visa fee for exchange students and J-2 visa fee for dependents of J-1 visa holders;

3. SUBMISSION GUIDELINES AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

The candidate must carefully read the Call for Applications and the Frequently Asked Questions before submitting the online application form, following the Application Instructions. All information is available at <https://fulbright.org.br/edital/doutorado-nos-eua/>

Applicants must also record a **thirty-seconds video in English** in MP4 format and send through the Fulbright Brasil Platform available at <<http://www.fulbrightsys.com.br/web/?app=cand>> as part of the application materials. The video must explain **why you are applying for Fulbright and in which way do you plan to make this opportunity different from other international mobility of students' programs**. The video must be sent no later than **08:00 p.m. Brasilia time, July 28, 2019**.

Note that all candidates, including those who have studied in English-speaking countries, must submit a valid TOEFL or IELTS score. No application will be considered without a valid official score. If you intend to take a TOEFL iBT to apply, when registering for it, be sure to note that your score should be sent to the Fulbright Commission Brasil, code 7522, and to IIE, code 2326.

Documentation list to be inserted in the application form:

- Brazilian Official ID: preferably passport identification pages, or national ID card (RG), or driver's license (CNH); If the candidate has already received a J-1 and/ or a J-2 visa, it is necessary to include a copy of the DS-2019 form and the visa page in the passport;
- Score report of proficiency test, taken no earlier than July 27th 2017, with scores as follows: 71 TOEFL iBT, 527 TOEFL ITP or 6.0 IELTS.
- Personal Statement **in English**;
- Academic transcripts: transcripts of master's degree including the transcript of the current doctorate program indicating the date of enrollment;
- Candidate's CV **in English**, limited to four pages;
- Letter of support from the Brazilian academic advisor **in English**: the letter must specifically address in what extent the award will impact the candidate's dissertation project as the consequences if the grant is not awarded;
- Brazilian academic advisor's CV **in English**, limited to three pages;
- Letter of support **in Portuguese** from the academic coordinator of the Brazilian doctorate program, confirming the graduate program approves the proposed mobility of the candidate;
- Letter of invitation **in English** from the U.S. advisor;
- Two letters of reference **in English**;
- Study Plan **in English** – up to ten pages, not including the bibliography.

4. SELECTION PROCESS

The Fulbright Commission will review and select the valid applications. A peer review panel, nominated by the Commission, will assess candidates' academic and professional qualifications and the relevance of their applications. An interview will be required by videoconference or phone for candidates approved by the review panel. Priority will be given for all qualified individuals, particularly for those coming from underrepresented groups.

The Fulbright Commission will nominate the selected candidates for final approval by the *J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board*.

5. TIMETABLE

- **July 28th, 2019:** deadline for submitting applications;
- **August and September 2019:** review of applications;
- **October 2019:** interviews of candidates approved by the review panel;
- **October 2019:** announcement of selected candidates;
- **August/September 2020:** start of academic program in the U.S.

6. INFORMATION

Additional information about the “**Doctoral Dissertation Research Award**”

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