

ANNOUNCEMENT

THE HUBERT H. HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM 2020-2021

The Fulbright Commission is pleased to announce that, starting on **April 29, 2019**, it will be receiving applications from young and mid-career professionals with demonstrated leadership potential to go to the United States for a year of non-degree graduate-level study, leadership development, and substantive professional collaboration with U.S. counterparts.

The program arranged for Humphrey Fellows extends from August/ September 2020 to May/June 2021. 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 the U.S and their professional counterparts overseas are part Fulbright program and aims to promote mutual understanding between peoples from the United States and from other countries.

Humphrey Host universities' are 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 enrichment activities include professional visits, conferences, training programs, and a professional affiliation. 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.

A general instruction package for the program is available through the www.fulbright.org.br. Applications must be submitted in the online application system on **June 2nd, 2019**.

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

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

THE HUBERT H. HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM 2020-2021

The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program provides ten months of non-degree academic study and related professional experiences in the United States. Humphrey Fellows are selected based on their potential for leadership and their commitment to public service in either the public or the third sector. The Humphrey Program fosters a mutual exchange of knowledge and understanding about issues of common concern in the United States and the Fellows' home countries.

A pre-academic program may be offered to selected candidates for improving language skills at the Commission's sole discretion. Candidates can be accompanied by dependents only during the Humphrey program, although the award does not support expenses related to relatives, spouse, or children.

In addition to the pre-academic language training traditionally available, the Humphrey Program offers a Long-Term English (LTE) language training opportunity to facilitate the participation of candidates from non-elite populations, rural areas, minority groups, and others who may be excellent candidates but are lacking the necessary language skills. LTE participants will be brought to the United States for an intensive 16-week pre-academic program to improve the language skills before transitioning to the academic-year Humphrey campus.

1. ELIGIBILITY

Only Brazilians residing in Brazil during the application and the selection process are eligible. Candidates should have a minimum of five years full-time professional experience in the Public Sector or in the Third Sector (prior to August 2020) in the proposed Program Fields, after completing a university degree and should be interested in the policy aspects of their field of specialization. Candidates must have completed a university degree program requiring at least **four years of full-time** study. A record of public service in the community and meet the English language requirement. Limited or no prior experience in the United States is a requirement. 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; and individuals with U.S. in-country experience of any kind lasting more than six months during the five years prior to August 2020 are **ineligible**.

Candidates must demonstrate leadership qualities. This grant cannot be cumulated with any other similar grant with the same purpose. Dual Brazilian/U.S. citizens are not eligible.

2. PROGRAM FIELDS

The programs arranged for Humphrey Fellows are related to one of the following fields (see detailed description attached):

Sustainable Development

- a. Agricultural and Rural Development
- b. Natural Resources, Environmental Policy, and Climate Change
- c. Urban and Regional Planning

Democratic Institution Building

- a. Communications/Journalism
- b. Law and Human Rights
- c. Public Policy Analysis and Public Administration
- d. Trafficking in Persons Policy and Prevention
- e. Technology Policy and Management

Public Health

- a. Public Health Policy and Management
- b. HIV/AIDS Policy and Prevention
- c. Substance Abuse Education, Prevention, and Treatment

NOTE: ECA cooperates with the National Institute on Drug Abuse, which provides 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.

3. FUNDING

The Humphrey Fellowship provides:

- Summer pre-academic English training or Intensive Long-Term English Training, , when applicable;
- Monthly maintenance allowance;
- Book and supplies allowance;
- Computer subsidy;
- Tuition and fees;
- Round-trip international travel to the host institution (and to the Fellow's English- language training program when applicable) and domestic travel to Washington, D.C. for a special seminar.
- Supplementary funds are available for professional activities such as field trips or attendance at conferences.
- Limited Health Care Benefit Plan: ASPE - Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges and, if necessary, host institution mandatory health coverage; and,
- J-1 visa fee. The grantee is responsible for providing travel, insurance, and financial support for any dependents accompanying them to the United States.

4. SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

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

- Brazilian passport ID pages, if available, or official document ID photo (CNH or RG). If the candidate has already received a J-1 visa, copy of the DS-2019 form and the visa on the passport (original document).
- CV in English, no more than three pages.
- Two letters of reference, in English, one of which must be from the candidate's immediate supervisor in current position;
- Academic transcripts and diploma in Portuguese of undergraduate and graduate studies, when applicable.
- Essays (Program Plan, Program Statements 1 and 2): The candidate should write in English a clear and detailed description of the program he/she wants to pursue;
- English Language Assessment form, which must be completed by a professor of English as a Foreign Language who speaks English as his/her native language or by a director of courses in English of a Binational Center.
- Applicants must also record a **thirty-seconds video in English** (mp4 format; up to 30mb). The mp4 archive must be uploaded **from May 3rd until June 2nd** at the link provided at <http://fulbright.org.br/edital/h-h-humphrey/>, as part of the application process. In the video the candidate must explaining in what ways do your Program Plan in the proposed field fit with the Program? And why going to the United States is necessary for the accomplishment of your career goals?

NOTE: Only candidates recommended to the International Screening will be required to have a minimum TOEFL score of 525 (ITP), 71 (IBT) or 7.0 IELTS. Although exceptionally promising candidates with lower scores in the TOEFL IBT between 42-61 may be nominated for the Long-Term English (LTE) training.

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.

5. SELECTION PROCESS

Stage 1: National Screening

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 program plan. An interview will be required by videoconference or phone for candidates approved by the review panel. The Fulbright Commission will nominate the selected candidates to be forwarded for further consideration in the International Screening.

Stage 2: International Screening

The Candidate Review Committee (CRC) evaluates the applications in an International Screening and send them to the final approval by the *J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board*.

Preference will be given to candidates with no significant previous experience in the U.S. Priority will be given for all qualified individuals, including underrepresented groups. This may include, but is not limited to women, persons with disabilities, persons of lower socioeconomic status, and individuals from underserved geographic locations and regions.

6. TIMETABLE

- **June 2nd, 2019:** deadline for online applications submission;
- **June 2019:** videoconference or phone interviews for candidates approved by the review panel;
- **July 2019:** announcement of the selected candidates in the National Screening;
- **From January to March, 2020:** announcement of the selected candidates in the International Screening;
- **April 2020:** start of the English Program in the U.S; and
- **August 2020:** start of the Humphrey program in the U.S.

7. INFORMATION

Additional information about the “**The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program**”:

Fulbright Commission - www.fulbright.org.br

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ATTACHMENT

FIELD OF STUDY DESCRIPTIONS

Sustainable Development

- **Agricultural and Rural Development:**

Suitable candidates include individuals from the public sector, non-governmental organizations, and business focused on agricultural and food system development and/or rural development. The field includes, but is not limited to, the following areas of specialization: food security, sustainable farming systems, agricultural research, extension management, agricultural marketing and value-chain management, post-harvest technology and food safety, trade and food policy, and rural livelihood enhancement.

- **Natural Resources, Environmental Policy, and Climate Change:**

Natural resource and environmental managers are appropriate candidates for this field. Policymakers working on the protection of natural resources, water quality, pollution control, land use, conservation, and environmental impact assessment also are suitable. Climate change is a critical emerging field open to professionals working in a range of disciplines, including policy development, clean technologies, carbon management, and response planning or adaptation to new climate patterns.

- **Urban and Regional Planning:**

Appropriate candidates for this field include architects, engineers, planners, urban designers, urban economists and sociologists, and historic preservation specialists. The field of Urban and Regional Planning should be broadly interpreted to include the following: urban infrastructure, transportation policy and planning, water and sanitation, town and rural planning, land use and urban design, housing and real estate development, international and comparative planning, environmental protection and planning, ecological land development, public policy, social policy, urban redevelopment policy, economic development and planning, regional economic integration, economic conversion, urban finance management, and urban spatial analysis using geographic information systems.

Democratic Institution Building

- **Communications/Journalism:**

Appropriate candidates include those using media in all its current forms to facilitate global development for their country. Journalists in this field could work for state-run public broadcasters with a focus on independent reporting and transparency. Journalists can work in any platform (print, broadcast, online) using digital and social media tools to cover a wide variety of subject beats, including, but not limited to public affairs, arts and features, social issues, business news and investigative topics. Other individuals might manage the public or internal communications for non-governmental organizations, for state-run media and governmental agencies.

- **Law and Human Rights:**

Attorneys, judges, and human rights activists are the most suitable candidates in this field. The range of law specializations is far reaching; some of the more common include: constitutional, criminal, business, civil rights, family/child, alternative dispute resolution, international humanitarian, international trade, international business, intellectual property, and telecommunications law. Individuals engaged in legal and judicial reform and the administration of justice also are appropriate candidates.

- **Public Policy Analysis and Public Administration:**

This field may be interpreted very broadly. Policy issues that past Fellows addressed have included: regional economic and workforce development planning, public management and leadership, financial management in public and non-profit organizations, poverty and inequality, gender, public finance and revenue administration, domestic and foreign development policies, political transition to market-based democracy, planning and the global knowledge economy and private sector development.

- **Trafficking in Persons Policy and Prevention:**

Candidates include foreign government officials, NGO activists, and media specialists who are focused on anti-trafficking issues. Humphrey Fellows can focus in areas of public administration, NGO administration, law and human rights, social work, communications and journalism, and public health as applied to anti-trafficking program management and policy-making.

- **Technology Policy and Management:**

Network administrators, engineers, and urban planners involved in formulating technology policy and planning and managing technological change and systems are suitable candidates in this field. Officials in the Ministry of Education and educators who teach technology and science in higher education institutions and can demonstrate leadership in curriculum development or administration in this field are also appropriate candidates.

Public Health

- **Public Health Policy and Management:**

Physicians, clinicians with management responsibilities, health educators, and other practitioners with policymaking responsibilities in this field are suitable candidates. Past Fellows' interests have included: management of public health care organizations; health care delivery through community based organizations; reproductive, adolescent and child health; and epidemiology in public health practice. Candidates who are primarily practitioners in their field are not appropriate. For example, dentists whose program goals are to be more effective dentists in a clinical setting are not appropriate candidates for the program. Instead, dentists or other practitioners who are interested in acquiring skills and knowledge to become better administrators of public health programs, which might, for example, promote health education in their community or country, would be a better fit for the program.

- **HIV/AIDS Policy and Prevention:**

Physicians, health educators, communication specialists, and policy analysts who are interested in HIV/AIDS policy, treatment and prevention are appropriate candidates for this field. Candidates with a primary focus on clinical treatment are not appropriate.

- **Substance Abuse Education, Treatment and Prevention:**

Candidates in this field may be focused on problems of alcohol, drug and tobacco abuse as well as broader areas of public health that relate to substance abuse, such as HIV/AIDS, mental health, medicine, psychology, social work and counseling. Previous Fellows in the substance abuse field have come from schools and universities, community-based treatment and prevention programs, hospitals, criminal justice settings and local or national policy agencies. Fellows in this field will have access to strong university-based research programs as well as contacts with community, state and national professionals and provider groups working in substance abuse.

Humphrey Fellows who have a background and interest in research are also eligible to link more closely with the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), one of 27 research institutes and centers of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). All Fellows in the Substance Abuse field will be part of the joint programming offered by NIDA.