Fulbright U.S. Student Program
2021-2022 Competition
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Important Dates & Deadlines:
Multiple dates between April and September 2020 (see list below)
On-campus interviews—Saturday, September 12, 2020
PLU Internal Final Deadline—Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2020

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The Fulbright U.S. Student Program provides comprehensive application overviews, tips, checklists, and webinars to guide you through the application process. Refer to the "Applicants" section of the Fulbright website for more information.

PLU On-Campus Application Requirements and Deadlines

MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2020 (by 5 pm PDT):
- Contact PLU's Office of Scholarships and Fellowships to confirm your intent to apply for a 2021-2022 Fulbright, by filling out the **Intent to Apply** form at our webpage (see above). (This requires submitting your CV or resume.)
- Note: turning in this form will automatically add your name to our Sakai site, **Fulbright Steps**. Most of the following tasks, and some smaller stepping stone tasks, will be completed and turned in through that site.

FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2020 (by 5 pm PDT):
- Choose the *specific* Fulbright fellowship you will apply for, and complete the Sakai assignment to let us know which one that will be (and why).

FRIDAY, MAY 22 (THE LAST DAY OF CLASSES) (by 5 pm PDT):
- Register on the Fulbright Embark application platform—access it via the Fulbright website.
- Identify/contact/confirm your three faculty references. Register them on Embark.
- Identify/contact/confirm the faculty member who will complete your language evaluation (if required) and register that faculty member on Embark.

JUNE and JULY 2020
- Participate in required online writing workshops to draft and revise application essays.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2019 (by 5 pm PDT):
- **Complete drafts of the personal statement and statement of grant purpose essays must be uploaded on Sakai by this date in order for you to continue the application process.** (Also submit drafts to your faculty references at this time, for them to use as their write your recommendation letters.)
- Complete and sign the **Scholarships and Fellowships FERPA form**. Submit hard copy or scanned PDF (via email to Dr. Jan Lewis) to the Office of Scholarships and Fellowships (Hauge Admin Bldg, Room 105).
- Final deadline for registering your faculty references and language evaluator at Embark.
- For study/research project proposals, make initial contact with potential host institutions and affiliated faculty to solicit support for your project. After the August 14 deadline, you will continue to work on finalizing your institutional affiliation. After you have identified the host institution and the individual who

will serve as your project adviser, ask for an affiliation letter. A scanned copy of the affiliation letter is required as part of your Fulbright application.
- Check on U.S. VISA or other travel requirements that may be necessary. If you do not have a valid passport or if your passport is going to expire, begin those processes.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 (the first day of Fall 2020 classes) (by 5 pm PDT)
Submit the following materials on Fulbright's Embark Online Application system:
- An unofficial PDF copy of your PLU transcript.
- A revised draft of your personal statement. This should be a complete, well-revised essay. If significantly changed, we recommend that you also send a copy of your draft to your faculty references.
- An updated draft of your statement of grant purpose (SGP). This should be a complete, well-revised essay. Again, if significantly changed, send a copy of your new draft to your faculty references.
- A completed Foreign Language Self-Evaluation Form, if required.
- Official confirmation of your host country affiliation (required for research grants). The letter must be printed on institutional letterhead and signed by the author. No email correspondence will be accepted. (In some cases, it may take a while to secure a final letter. The letter must be received and uploaded on Embark by PLU's internal application deadline: October 2, 2020.)

SAT, SEPTEMBER 12, 2020
- On-campus Committee Interview (approx. 45 minutes): All applicants for the Fulbright award will be interviewed by a campus committee of 3-4 faculty/staff members. Dr. Simpson-Younger will contact you to make these arrangements. You may complete the interview via video conference if you cannot come to campus, but you must complete an interview on this date.

LATE SEPTEMBER 2019
- Finalize your application materials: Continue working with your faculty advisors and the Office of Scholarships and Fellowships coordinator on your personal statement and your SGP.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2020 (by 5 pm PDT) - PLU Final Application Deadline
Final versions of all your application materials MUST be uploaded on Embark, including letters of recommendation.

TBA: Fulbright National Deadline
PLU's Office of Scholarships and Fellowships will officially submit your application.

IF YOU ARE STUDYING AWAY DURING FALL SEMESTER 2020
Before you leave, insure that you have:
- Identified and contacted all your faculty references.
- Registered on the Embark website.
- Made arrangements for your Foreign Language Evaluation form to be completed by an appropriate faculty member (required for study/research applications).
- Access to Skype or another type of online media system through which we can complete your interview on September 14.
- Reasonable email and PLU Sakai access through which we can continue to work with you to revise and edit your statements.

IF YOU ARE A PLU ALUM (in the last five years)
You are **very welcome to apply** and we will **support you fully** in the process. You *may* choose to waive the Campus Committee review; however, we *strongly recommend* that you participate in the committee review process in order to gain a strong PLU endorsement.