

## Fulbright U.S. Student Program

2025-2026 Competition

<http://us.fulbrightonline.org>

### Important Dates & Deadlines:

Suggested dates between April and September 2024 (see list below)

*On-campus interviews—September 2024*

*PLU Internal Final Deadline—Friday, Oct. 4, 2024*

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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.*

### Competition Launch

**April 2, 2024**

### National Deadline

**October 8, 2024 | 5:00 pm Eastern Time (2:00 pm Pacific Time)**

## PLU On-Campus Suggested Deadlines

*\*These are just suggestions to keep you on track!*

### APRIL / MAY

- Contact Dr. Yaden ([byaden@plu.edu](mailto:byaden@plu.edu)) with your intent to apply for a Fulbright

**By MAY 31 (if possible, but no later than September 1 for best opportunity for success and support!)**

- 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 / JULY:

- Draft and revise application essays. Share with faculty and Dr. Yaden for feedback.

### AUGUST:

- Complete drafts of the personal statement and statement of grant purpose essays.

- Submit drafts to your faculty references at this time, for them to use to write your recommendation letters.
- Make sure you have registered 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 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.

#### **SEPTEMBER 2024 (TBD)**

- 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. Bridget Yaden will contact you to make these arrangements. You may complete the interview via video conference if you cannot come to campus.

#### **LATE SEPTEMBER 2024**

- Finalize your application materials: Continue working with your faculty advisors and Dr. Yaden on your personal statement and your SGP.

**Friday, OCTOBER 4, 2024 (by 5:00 pm PDT)**  
**Final versions of all your application materials should be uploaded on Embark, including letters of recommendation.**

#### **Fulbright National Deadline**

***October 8, 2024 | 5:00 pm Eastern Time (2:00 pm Pacific Time)***

#### **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.

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