



FULBRIGHT Teacher Exchanges

2026 – 2027 Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program

The 2026 – 2027 Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program will bring international secondary-level teachers to the United States for a six-week program to take academic seminars for professional development at a host university and to observe and share their expertise with teachers and students at the host university and at local secondary schools.



General academic seminars focused on new teaching methodologies, student-centered learning, content-based instruction, lesson planning, instructional technology training for teachers, as well as U.S. history and the education system.



A practicum of at least 40 hours with a U.S. partner teacher in local secondary schools.



A variety of relevant professional development and cultural activities.

PROJECT TIMELINE

Accepting Applications.....	December 2025 – March 2026
Applicants Notified.....	August 2026
Spring 2027 Cohort Program.....	January – March 2027
Fall 2027 Cohort Program.....	September – October 2027

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PARTICIPATING LOCATIONS

Albania • Algeria • Argentina • Armenia • Azerbaijan • Bangladesh • Barbados • Belarus • Bolivia • Bosnia and Herzegovina • Bulgaria • Burkina Faso • Cambodia • Cameroon • Chile • Colombia • Costa Rica • Côte d'Ivoire • Croatia • Czech Republic • Ecuador • Egypt • El Salvador • Estonia • Georgia • Ghana • Guatemala • Guinea-Bissau • Haiti • Honduras • Hungary • India • Iraq • Jordan • Kazakhstan • Kenya • Kyrgyzstan • Laos • Latvia • Lithuania • Malawi • Malaysia • Mali • Moldova • Mongolia • Mozambique • Nepal • Nicaragua • Niger • Nigeria • North Macedonia • Pakistan • Palestinian Territories • Panama • Papua New Guinea • Peru • Romania • Samoa • Serbia • Slovakia • Solomon Islands • Sri Lanka • Tajikistan • Tanzania • Thailand • Timor Leste • Tunisia • Türkiye • Turkmenistan • Ukraine • Uganda • Uruguay • Uzbekistan • Vanuatu • Vietnam • Zambia

Eligibility and Selection Criteria

- Current secondary-level (middle and high school), full-time teachers of English, English as a Foreign Language (EFL), math, science, foreign language, social studies, journalism, or communications, including special education teachers in those subjects, at institutions serving primarily a local population
- Bachelor's degree or equivalent
- Minimum of three years of full-time teaching experience by the start of the program, with a preference for those who have completed at least five years of full-time teaching
- Demonstrated oral and written English language proficiency
- Citizen and resident of a participating location
- Other requirements as indicated in the application

An independent review committee will be convened to select participants for the program through a merit-based competition.

The Fulbright Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program provides:



J-1 visa support



Roundtrip airfare



Accommodations, meals, and incidentals for the duration of the program



Accident and sickness medical coverage (supplementary to participant's existing insurance)



Workshop in Washington, DC



Professional development and cultural activities

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About the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of State

The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) of the U.S. Department of State fosters mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries around the world. ECA strives to achieve this goal through a wide range of international exchanges as authorized by the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, as amended. ECA works in close cooperation with U.S. Embassies and bilateral Fulbright Commissions overseas to promote personal, professional, and institutional ties between private citizens and organizations in the United States and abroad.

About IREX

IREX is a global development and education nonprofit organization whose mission is to build a more just, prosperous, and inclusive world by empowering youth, cultivating leaders, strengthening institutions, and extending access to quality education and opportunity. The U.S. Department of State awarded IREX a grant to implement this program on its behalf.