

What costs are host institutions responsible for?

In general, host institutions should be prepared to provide the Specialist with lodging, meals, and in-country transportation, either through monetary or in-kind contributions, throughout their full stay in country.

Is my institution eligible to host a Specialist?

The Fulbright Specialist Program is open to a variety of institutions including, but not limited to, universities, government bodies, cultural centers, medical facilities, and non-governmental organizations. Institutions that are ineligible to host a Fulbright Specialist include for-profit organizations and businesses, partisan organizations, and international governmental organizations such as those that are UN-affiliated or sponsored by USAID.

What information and documents are required to complete the application?

- Please have the following information available before beginning your application:
 - Contact information for the project's main point of contact
 - Details about the proposed project, including objectives, specific program activities, and timeline
 - Desired professional and/or academic qualifications for the individual who will serve as the project's Fulbright Specialist
 - Information about in-country expenses (lodging, meals, and in-country transportation for the Specialist)

What types of projects are allowed under the Fulbright Specialist Program?

- The Fulbright Specialist Program encourages host institutions to tailor projects to their own needs. However, all projects should have an education or training focus. Due to the short-term nature of the exchange, projects should have concrete objectives that can be achieved over the course of the Specialist's visit. Past Specialists have supported host institutions by conducting activities such as:
 - Delivering a seminar or workshop
 - Consulting on faculty or workforce development
 - Conducting needs assessments or evaluations for a program or institution
 - Lecturing at the graduate or undergraduate level
 - Developing academic or training curricula and materials

Please note that personal research projects, including clinical medical projects, are not eligible for funding under the Fulbright Specialist Program.

What date should I list on my institution's proposal as the anticipated start date?

In most cases, World Learning recommends that host institutions submit their project proposal to their local Fulbright Commission or U.S. Embassy **at least 90 days** prior to the anticipated start date of the project. Rapid response projects with anticipated start dates less than 90 days from their submission date may be considered, but host institutions should plan for alternate start dates.

What are the Project Guidelines?

- One country per project: With the exception of projects falling under a trilateral grant initiative, Fulbright Specialist projects are restricted to one country. All project activities must take place in the country requesting the project. If the project requests the Specialist to be in multiple locations, all locations must fall in the same country.
- One Specialist per project: A Fulbright Specialist project is restricted to one Specialist grantee.
- Length of project: The length of a Fulbright Specialist project must be a minimum of 14 days and a maximum of 42 days, including travel days and weekends.
- Time between projects for Specialists: A Specialist candidate will not be approved for a second Fulbright grant unless two years have passed from the date of completion of the previous Fulbright grant.
- Multi-Visit (Serial) projects: A Multi-Visit project is one in which a Specialist conducts more than one visit to the host institution for the purpose of necessary program evaluation or follow-up. If a project is approved to be Multi-Visit, all visits must occur within a one-year period, which is calculated by adding 12 months from the initial start date of the first visit through the end date of the final visit.
 - A Multi-Visit project cannot include more than three visits in total, and all visits must not exceed six weeks (42 days) in total. In addition, each visit must be a minimum of 14 days.

- Please note that the majority of approved projects are not Multi-Visit, and project proposals should provide a strong justification for why more than one visit is necessary to achieve project outcomes.