:: Fulbright Student Program

Study for a PhD. in the United States!

2009 J. William Fulbright Fellowship Student Competition Application Deadline: May 1, 2008

This program is funded by the U.S. Department of State.

This program will fund up to four years of graduate study in the United States towards a Ph.D. degree. This may be either coursework and/or research towards a Ph.D. or an entire program. Successful candidates will begin their program of study in the fall of 2008. In addition to academic work, persons selected are expected to share information about Pakistani life and culture with their U.S. colleagues and with community groups in the U.S. On returning to Pakistan, Fulbright grantees are expected to share their U.S. experiences with colleagues and community groups in Pakistan.

All disciplines are welcome to apply, with the exception of clinical medicine. Priority fields for this program are arts, humanities, and social sciences. Applicants with more than two years of research and work experience in their field are strongly encouraged to apply. Applicants pursuing Ph.D. work on topics about the U.S. are especially encouraged to apply.

The grant funds tuition, required textbooks, airfare, and a trip back home after two years, a living stipend, and health insurance. This grant also allows grantees to return to Pakistan to write their dissertation and funds their return to the U.S. for their dissertation defense. USEFP will assist with the visa application process.

Successful applicants must be committed to serving Pakistan. It is highly desirable that candidates have work experience in teaching, research, or the public sector in Pakistan. They must be Pakistani citizens with a strong academic history and an M.A., M.Sc., M. Phil. or comparable degree (a minimum of 18 years of formal education) from an accredited university.

All successful candidates are required to sign a contract with USEFP that they will return to Pakistan immediately upon completion of their programs and serve the country for two years.

Employees of the Fulbright organization and the U.S. Department of State and their spouses, fiancés, siblings, dependents, children and parents are also ineligible.

Please note that GRE and TOEFL scores must be submitted along with the application. For applicants who are taking the GRE and TOEFL after the application deadline, proof of registration must be attached with your application and scores must be received by July 1, 2008. Applicants must possess a high level of fluency in spoken and written English; the minimum iBT TOEFL score required is 90. On the GRE, a minimum score of 300 is required on each section of the examination, with a higher score on the section most applicable to the candidate's field of study.

You may apply to both the masters and Ph.D. program, as a continued Masters leading to Ph.D. USEFP awards grants in the program it considers most appropriate.

All application materials (original and one copy), including references, must be received by USEFP by 4:30 p.m. on May 1, 2008.

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