

ANNOUNCEMENT

THE HUBERT H. HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM 2018/19

The Fulbright Commission is pleased to announce that, starting on **April 7th, 2017**, it will be receiving applications from Brazilian citizens to young and mid-career professionals with demonstrated leadership potential to the United States for a year of non-degree graduate-level study, leadership development, and substantive professional collaboration with U.S. counterparts.

By providing future leaders and policy makers with experience in U.S. society, culture, and professional fields, the program provides a basis for lasting, productive ties between the U.S and their professional counterparts overseas are part Fulbright program and aims to promote mutual understanding between peoples from the United States and from other countries.

The program arranged for Humphrey Fellows extends from August/ September 2018 to May/June 2019. Applicants who need additional English training may be required to arrive in the United States as early as late May 2018 for intensive language study before beginning their regular university program. Candidates must be able to participate in the full period of the English and/or university programs.

A general instruction package for each program is available through the www.fulbright.org.br. Applications must be submitted in the online application system by 08:00 p.m. Brasilia time, on May 28th, 2017.

It is a unique opportunity to participate in the U.S. flagship educational exchange program and become a *Fulbrighter* for life.

Sincerely,



Luiz Valcov Loureiro, PhD
Executive Director
Fulbright Commission



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

THE HUBERT H. HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM 2018/19

The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program provides ten months of non-degree academic study and related professional experiences in the United States. Humphrey Fellows are selected based on their potential for leadership and their commitment to public service in either the public or the third sector. The Humphrey Program fosters a mutual exchange of knowledge and understanding about issues of common concern in the United States and the Fellows' home countries.

A pre-academic program may be offered to selected candidates for improving language skills at the Commission's sole discretion. Candidates can be accompanied by dependents only during the Humphrey program, although the award does not support expenses related to relatives, spouse, or children.

In addition to the pre-academic language training traditionally available, the Humphrey Program offers a Long-Term English (LTE) language training opportunity to facilitate the participation of candidates from non-elite populations, rural areas, minority groups, and others who may be excellent candidates but are lacking the necessary language skills. LTE participants will be brought to the United States for an intensive 20-25 week pre-academic program to improve the language skills before transitioning to the academic-year Humphrey campus.

1. ELIGIBILITY

Only Brazilians residing in Brazil during the application and the selection process are eligible. Candidates should have a minimum of five years full-time professional experience in the Public Sector or in the Third Sector (prior to August 2018) in the proposed Program Fields, after completing a university degree and should be interested in the policy aspects of their field of specialization. Candidates must have completed a university degree program requiring at least four years of full-time study. A record of public service in the community and meet the English language requirement. Limited or no prior experience in the United States. Demonstrated leadership qualities. This grant cannot be cumulated with any other similar grant with the same purpose. Dual Brazilian/U.S. citizens are not eligible.

Individuals who have attended a graduate school in the United States for one academic year or more during the seven years prior to August 2018; and individuals with U.S. in-country experience of any kind lasting more than six months during the five years prior to August 2018 are **ineligible**.

2. PROGRAM FIELDS

The programs arranged for Humphrey Fellows are related to one of the following fields:

Sustainable Development

- a. Agricultural and Rural Development;
- b. Natural Resources, Environmental Policy, and Climate Change;
- c. Urban and Regional Planning.

Democratic Institution Building

- a. Communications/Journalism;
- b. Law and Human Rights;
- c. Public Policy Analysis and Public Administration, specially related to inclusion of underrepresented groups;
- d. Trafficking in Persons Policy and Prevention;
- e. Technology Policy and Management.

Public Health

- a. Public Health Policy and Management;
- b. HIV/AIDS Policy and Prevention;
- c. Substance Abuse Education, Prevention, and Treatment.

3. FUNDING

The Humphrey Fellowship provides:

- Monthly maintenance allowance;
- Book and supplies allowance;
- Tuition and fees when applicable;
- Round-trip international travel to the host institution (and to the Fellow's English- language training program when applicable) and domestic travel to Washington, D.C. for a special seminar.
- Supplementary funds are available for professional activities such as field trips or attendance at conferences.
- Limited health insurance coverage: ASPE - Accident and Sickness Program for Exchanges and, if necessary, host institution mandatory health coverage; and,
- J-1 visa fee.

The grantee is responsible for providing travel, insurance, and financial support for any dependents accompanying them to the United States.

4. SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The candidate must read carefully the Application Instructions and submit the online application form, both available at <http://fulbright.org.br/edital/h-h-humphrey/>, including **all** the following documents and information that are mandatory:

- Two letters of reference, one of which must be from the candidate's immediate supervisor in his/her current position;
- Academic transcripts and diploma in Portuguese of undergraduate studies and post-secondary studies, if applicable.
- Essays: The candidate should write in English a clear and detailed description of the program he/she want to pursue;
- Report on English Proficiency, which must be completed by a professor of English as a Foreign Language who speaks English as his/her native language, by a director of courses in English of a Binational Center or by an official of the U.S Embassy.
- Drug Abuse form, page 5A of the application should only be completed by candidates in the field of Substance Abuse Education, Prevention, and Treatment;
- Applicants should record and send to hjh@fulbright.org.br a thirty seconds video as part of the application form, regarding the Essays.
- If the candidate has already received a J-1 visa, it is necessary to include a copy of the DS-2019 form and of the visa page from the passport.

OBS: Only candidates recommended to the International Screening will be required to have a minimum TOEFL score of 525 (ITP) or 71 (IBT). Although exceptionally promising candidates with lower scores in the TOEFL IBT between 45-70 may be nominated for the Long-Term English (LTE) training.

Candidates must submit their applications through the online application system until the deadline. Candidates are responsible for ensuring that all supporting documents are attached to the online application, as outlined here above. The Fulbright Commission will not consider applications with inaccurate, insufficient or inconsistent data or missing supporting documents.

5. SELECTION PROCESS

Stage 1: National Screening

The Fulbright Commission will review and select the valid applications. A peer review panel, nominated by the Commission, will assess candidates' academic and professional qualifications and the relevance of their research projects. An interview will be required, by videoconference or phone. The Fulbright Commission will nominate the selected candidates to be forwarded for further consideration in the International Screening.

Stage 2: International Screening

The Candidate Review Committee (CRC) evaluates the applications in an International Screening and send them to the final approval by the *J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board*.

Preference will be given to candidates with no significant previous experience in the U.S. Priority will be given for all qualified individuals, including underrepresented groups. This may include, but is not limited to women, persons with disabilities, persons of lower socioeconomic status, and individuals from underserved geographic locations and regions.

6. TIMETABLE

- **May 28th, 2017:** deadline for online applications submission;
- **June, 2017:** videoconference or phone interviews;
- **July, 2017:** announcement of the selected candidates in the National Screening;
- **From January to March, 2018:** announcement of the selected candidates in the International Screening;
- **March, 2018:** start of the English Program in the U.S; and
- **August, 2018:** start of the Humphrey program in the U.S.

7. INFORMATION

Additional information about the “**The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program**”

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