



## Exchange Programs Sponsored by the Palestinian Affairs Unit

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### **Programs for Academic Professionals**

**Fulbright Master's Program:** Funding is granted for two years of study in a master's program. Fulbright Scholarships will be awarded to applicants who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership qualities, and a commitment to improving cross-cultural relations through international exchange.

**Duration:** 2 years; **Application Deadline:** June

<http://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/fulbright-foreign-student-program>

**Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program:** This Program brings international teachers to the U.S. for a semester and sends U.S. teachers abroad for three to six months (in exceptional cases U.S. teachers may remain abroad for up to nine months). Teachers pursue individual inquiry projects, take courses for professional development at a host university or institute, and observe and lead master classes and seminars for teachers and students at the Host University or local primary and secondary schools. International teachers may apply to study topics that are unique or particularly strong within the U.S. school system. Teachers will enhance their understanding of and ability to teach their students about a country and/or an issue of strategic importance to the U.S. and develop inquiry projects to create curriculum, materials, or workshops to globalize U.S. schools.

**Duration:** up to nine months; **Application Deadline:** November

<https://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/fulbright-distinguished-awards-teaching-program-international-teachers>

**Fulbright Visiting Scholars (Post Doctoral Lecture/Research):** The scholar who holds a doctorate degree or equivalent professional qualifications is granted a program of research or teaching at an accredited university, or a public or private, non-private, non-profit research institute in the United States. The scholar arranges their own institutional affiliation.

**Duration:** 2 – 10 months; **Application Deadline:** January

<https://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/fulbright-visiting-scholar-program>

**Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA):** This program provides future foreign teachers of English with the opportunity to refine their skills increase their English language proficiency and extend their knowledge of U.S. society and culture. FLTA fellows spend nine months during the academic year serving as teaching assistants at U.S. educational institutions while also taking courses in English teaching and American Studies as non-degree students. Applicants must be between 21 - 29 years old.

**Duration:** 10 months; **Application Deadline:** September

<https://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/fulbright-foreign-language-teaching-assistant-flta>

**Teaching Excellence and Achievement Program (TEA):** This program brings 20 international secondary level teachers of English, English as a Foreign Language (EFL), social studies, math or science to the United States for professional development programs spent at eight U.S. universities. The program will consist of academic seminars focusing on new teaching methodologies, curriculum development, lesson planning, teaching strategies, and instructional technology training. Intensive English language instruction will be offered to teachers who need additional practice.

**Duration:** 6 weeks (Spring and Fall); **Application Deadline:** April

<https://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/fulbright-teaching-excellence-and-achievement-program>

**Study of the U.S. Institutes (SUSI) Program for Secondary School Educators (Teachers and Educators):**

This institute provides two multinational groups of 20 experienced secondary school teachers with a deeper understanding of U.S. society, education, and culture – past and present. The main focus of the Institutes for Teachers is on content and materials about the United States in order to develop high school level curricula. To this end, the Institutes are organized around a central theme or themes in U.S. civilization. Through a combination of traditional, multi-disciplinary, and interdisciplinary approaches, program content will examine the history and evolution of U.S. institutions and values. The program will also serve to illuminate contemporary political, social, and economic debates in American society. The four week academic residency will be complemented by one week of educational travel showcasing the cultural, geographic, and ethnic diversity of the United States.

**Duration:** 5 weeks; **Application Deadline:** January

<https://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/study-us-institutes-scholars/details#susi5>

**Study of the U.S. Institutes (SUSI) Programs for Scholars and Faculty members:** SUSI programs are post-graduate level academic programs for mid-career foreign scholars, faculty, practitioners, and secondary educators whose purpose is to strengthen curricula and to improve the teaching about the United States in academic institutions abroad. These Institutes are comprised of a four to five week academic residency and a one to two week educational study tour to a different region of the United States. During the Institutes, scholars engage in rigorous academic coursework and panel discussions, interact and establish networks with American scholars, meet with experts in respective disciplines, visit civic institutions, and in some cases, participate in research symposia and conferences. The 7 topics are: American Culture and Values, American Politics and Political Thought, Contemporary American Literature, Journalism and Media, Religious Freedom and Pluralism, U.S. Foreign Policy, and Youth, Workforce Development, and Closing the Skills Gap.

**Duration:** 6 weeks; **Application Deadline:** January

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