



THE FULBRIGHT STUDENT AWARD TO THE UNITED STATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026

The candidates will be selected through open, merit-based competition to participate in **graduate level programs in any field except clinical specializations**. Each year scholarships are offered to Romanian citizens for the first year of master's program or for minimum 4 – maximum 9 months of non-degree student research. Second-year costs for the Romanian Fulbright master's students may be covered **depending on funds availability as well as on proof of good academic standing** during the first year of study.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- have Romanian citizenship; green card holders and persons with dual (Romanian and U.S.) citizenship are ineligible;
- hold at least a Bachelor's degree, with good academic standing; undergraduate students can also compete, if they are in their final Bachelor's year at university;
- have English proficiency;
- if applying in law, candidates must hold a degree in that field.

THE APPLICATION PACKAGE consists of:

- an online application;
- three letters of recommendation from university professors and/or other acknowledged Romanian or foreign professionals;
- academic transcripts and diplomas for all undergraduate and graduate levels, uploaded to the online application, accompanied by translations.



TOEFL/GRE/GMAT test scores are mandatory only for the applicants who pass the Fulbright interview phase in September.

AWARD BENEFITS: The Student Fulbright Award provides: international travel, tuition and university fees within established budget limits as well as accident/sickness insurance and monthly maintenance allowance. The grant also offers books and supplies allowance.

Application deadline: **Tuesday, May 14th, 2024**

THE ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

Selection Steps:

- applications are pre-screened;
- the assessment of study/research projects is performed by Fulbright alumni and leading Romanian and U.S. scholars in the respective fields of knowledge;
- the applicants recommended by reviewers will be invited to an interview carried out by a bi-national panel, in the first half of September;
- the nominated finalists are subject to final approval by the Foreign Scholarship Board (FSB - <https://eca.state.gov/fulbright/about-fulbright/fulbright-foreign-scholarship-board-ffsb>).

ADMISSION AND AFFILIATION TO U.S. UNIVERSITIES

The Institute of International Education in New York (IIE) will team up with the Romanian-U.S. Fulbright Commission in order to carry out the Romanian finalists' admission and affiliation process to accredited U.S. universities.

The duration of the entire selection process is approximately 12 months; as a result, the Fulbright Student Award competition is advertised a year before the grant starts. Affiliation of the Fulbright Student Award finalists will be concluded in May-July. Exchanges will begin in August - September, the year following the application.

Details available at:

<https://fulbright.ro/competition/2025-2026-fulbright-student-award/>