THE HUBERT H. HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

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Instructions for Completing the

2026-2027 Fulbright Hubert H. Humphrey Program Application

Read all instructions carefully before completing the application.

Applications due July 21, 2025

Application: <u>https://apply.iie.org/fvsp2026</u>

Application Checklist

A complete application consists of:

- Application form
- Curriculum Vitae
- <u>Certification and transcripts</u> of all Academic degrees (in English)
- 2 letters of recommendation on letterhead papers
- Copy of passport bio-data page
- Previous J-1 or J-2(DS2019) forms, if applicable
- All materials should be in English
- All materials, including your recommendations, must be submitted by the deadline
- Only applicants who are invited to an interview will need to take the Duolingo English test: <u>https://englishtest.duolingo.com/applicants</u>

General Information

The application is supported by all modern browsers. We highly recommend that you use a current version of <u>Google Chrome</u>, which supports Windows, Mac, and Linex platforms.

Prior to starting an application, please complete the following steps:

Step 1: Learn requirements for submitting an application

Before you begin an application, contact the Fulbright Program Office in the country from which you are applying. You must make sure you are eligible to apply. A complete list of eligibility criteria can be found at Fulbright Israel website: <u>www.fulbright.org.il</u>

Step 2: Record user name and password in a safe place

Your email address is your user name. When you create an account for this online application, record your password in a secure place. You can log in and out of the application as frequently as you like using your user name and password. If necessary, you can reset your password by clicking the "Forgot Your Password" link on the log-in page.

Step 3: Complete the application

You do not need to complete this application at one time. You can re-enter at any time to edit your application. However, once you SUBMIT your application, you CANNOT make changes to it.

To complete your application correctly, please answer all questions completely and carefully. Review these additional tips:

- Use upper and lower-case letters (e.g. John Smith). Avoid using all capital letters (e.g. JOHN SMITH). Do not use special characters, such as accent marks.
- You can copy and paste information into all text boxes.
- Limit your responses to the space provided in all text boxes.
- Prepare required documents and save them in PDF format. It is highly recommended that to preserve any formatting and special characters in your documents, you upload them in PDF format.
- Some questions are "required." They are marked with an asterisk (*). You will not be able to submit your application until all required items are complete.

Step 4: Submit the application

Once you have entered all required information, including recommenders, review your application for errors. If all information is correct, submit your application. Once you submit you CANNOT make changes to your application.

Creating Your Online Account

- 1. To start, click *Create an account*.
- 2. Enter your email address, first name, last name, and select your date of birth (Month-Date-Year) from the drop-down menus. Your name must be entered exactly the way it appears (or will appear) on your passport.

Register				
To register for an account, please enter the information requested below.				
Email Address				
First Name				
Last Name				
Birthdate	T			
Continue				

Note: Use an email address that you will be able to access for at least two years after submitting your application. This is the email address you will use to log in to your application account. We recommend you do NOT use a work email address if you will not have access to it during your grant in the U.S.

- 3. Click Continue. You will receive an email from apply@iie.org confirming that you have started the application. The email will include a temporary PIN. Follow the instructions in the email to activate your account using the temporary PIN.
- 4. You will be prompted to enter your pin and then create a password to complete login.

Login	
A temporary PIN h	has been sent to your email address. If you do not receive this message in the next few minutes, please check your junk mail folder.
Email	
Account	
Temporary PIN	
Birthdate	
Login	

Set Password To protect the security of	your account, please specify a new password. T	The pa	assword must meet complexity requirements.
New Password New Password (again)		× × × × × ×	At least one letter At least one capital letter At least one number Be at least 12 characters New passwords must match
Set Password			

5. Returning users: Click *Log in* and enter your email address and password. If you do not remember your password, click *Forgot your password?* and follow the resulting instructions.

Preliminary Questions

These questions address essential program eligibility. All questions are required.	

Home	Preliminary Questions
Welcome Preliminary Questions	Questions marked with an asterisk (*) are required of all applicants for submission.
	Through which program country are you applying?*
	To which academic year are you applying?*
	Do you hold or are you applying for:* a) U.S. citizenship; c) Dual citizenship with the U.S.; or b) U.S. permanent residency?
	Yes No
	Have you reviewed and do you meet all program eligibility requirements for the country through which you are applying?* Yes No Unsure
	Continue

- 1. Select the country through which you are applying for the Fulbright grant from the dropdown menu: Israel
- 2. Select the appropriate program year from the dropdown menu: 2026-2027
- 3. U.S. Citizenship, Dual Citizenship with the U.S. or Permanent Residency: select 'yes' or 'no' to indicate your response.
 - a. Applicants cannot be U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. to participate in the Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program.
- 4. Select 'yes', 'no', or 'unsure' to indicate if you are aware and meet all program eligibility

requirements.

- a. Please review the program eligibility requirements for the country through which you are applying before proceeding.
- 5. Click *Continue* to save your responses and advance to the next section.

Country Information

- 1. Review all information in this section!
- 2. Note any country-specific and award-specific instructions for completing the rest of the application, including:
 - a. Country website
 - b. Deadline information
 - c. Open application cycle
 - d. Additional required materials
- 3. Before proceeding, you must select an Award from the dropdown menu in the "Select/change award" option.
- 4. Please note you will have to select: Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship 2026-2027
- 5. Click Save.
- 6. Click *Continue* to proceed to the next section.

Managing Your Application

EDITING YOUR APPLICATION PRIOR TO SUBMISSION

- 1. You may log in at any time to review and edit your application form, upload documents, and enter recommender information.
- 2. Remember to save your application after completing each page by pressing the *Continue* button at the bottom of each page.

Note: The application will automatically log you out after 60 minutes of inactivity, so it is best to save your application frequently.

REVIEWING YOUR APPLICATION AFTER SUBMISSION

- 1. After you SUBMIT your application, you CANNOT make any changes.
- 2. You may continue to log in to your account to view the information you have submitted, save a PDF of your application form, and manage your recommenders.
- 3. You can manage your recommenders by clicking on the *Recommendations* section of the online application.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

1. Letters of recommendation will be submitted directly to Fulbright by the recommenders you registered via your application.

- 2. Letters of recommendation and language evaluations may be submitted before or after you submit the application.
- 3. If your recommender is unavailable, you will have the option to exclude the recommender and add an alternative after you submit the application.

Data Privacy

- 1. Carefully review the Data Privacy information. If prompted, indicate your acceptance of data privacy terms by selecting 'yes' or 'no'.
- 2. Click Continue to proceed to the next section

Personal Information

Enter all required biographical information.

- 1. Enter your name exactly as it appears on your passport. Only enter a preferred name if it is DIFFERENT than your legal name (e.g. Alex instead of Alexander).
- 2. If your name is recorded differently on any previous records, list it in the Name on Previous Records section (e.g. maiden name

Contact Information

Enter all required contact information.

Academic & Professional Information

This section collects information about your academic and professional background, including your curriculum vitae/resumé, academic degrees, professional experience, organizational memberships, letter of support from home institution, experience abroad, and previous Fulbright grants, if applicable.

Prepare and upload documents in PDF format as required (*). Note any page limits and ensure your documents do not exceed page limits.

Curriculum Vitae/Resume

Upload your curriculum vitae/resumé in PDF format that does not exceed six pages.
 Note: If your file exceeds 6 pages, an error message will appear on the Review page and will prevent submission of your application.

The Curriculum Vitae content guidance

The curriculum vitae describes academic and professional credentials and demonstrates a record of your achievements (document should not exceed six pages). When composing curriculum vitae, it is important to include:

- Education (universities attended, degrees earned and dates received).
- Professional positions held.
- Publications (provide full citations and list them starting with the most recent).
- Other professional activities, such as workshops, seminars and consultations.
- Membership and activities in professional associations.
- Professional honors, awards and fellowships.
- Community service, if applicable.

The application asks for similar information, but provides limited space for answers. In the curriculum vitae, you should expand upon these topics to present more completely your accomplishments.

Academic Background

- State the degree earned and its equivalency in English (Ph.D., Doctorate, Masters, etc.). Include only your highest terminal degree(s) here. You may include a maximum of three academic credentials.
- Enter the Institution name where you obtained the degree.
- Select country, discipline, name of diploma/degree, date received from the drop- down menus.
- You MUST include any education institutions you are currently attending (even if you have not yet completed your educational program) and estimated date of graduation/completion.

Current Professional Profile

- 2. List your current professional affiliation or employer by clicking *Add Experience* under Position Title
- 3. If you have more than one current position, click *Add Experience* and follow the instructions above.
- 4. List your most significant professional accomplishments, honors and awards.
 - Do not write "See curriculum vitae." List accomplishments and publications as instructed below.
 - Limit your list to a maximum of five accomplishments that can be listed within the space provided.
 - 700 character limit, use Roman characters only.
 - For space consideration, separate each item with a semicolon or number rather than beginning a new line; avoid using hard returns in your response.

Experience Abroad

- 5. List any professional travel and/or residence abroad exceeding three (3) months during the last six years:
 - a. Click Add New
 - b. Select the country in which you spent your professional travel and/or residence abroad from the dropdown menu provided
 - c. Select the start and end dates (Month-Year format) of you travel/residency
 - d. Enter the purpose of your travel abroad
 - e. Click Save
- 6. If you have more than one trip abroad to enter, click *Add New* again, and follow the bulleted instructions until all entries have been saved.
- 7. Select 'yes' or 'no' to indicate if you have previously entered the United States on a J-1 or J-2 visa
 - a. If 'yes', you are required to select the J category of sponsorship from the list and upload a copy of your previous DS-2019

Previous DS-2019(s)	Please upload a copy of your previous DS-2019(s).	Choose File No file chosen
		Upload

*If you have participated in a J-1 or J-2 visa exchange program in the Professor or Research Scholar categories, please check with your Fulbright Office to confirm you are eligible to apply for the program at this time.

- 8. Select 'yes' or 'no' to indicate if you have previously been awarded a Fulbright grant.
 - a. If 'yes', you are required to list the grant(s):
 - Click Add Grant.
 - Select the Fulbright award type from the dropdown menu provided (e.g., Fulbright FLTA, Fulbright Foreign Student, etc.)
 - If you select "Other (please specify)", enter in the name of the Fulbright grant that you received in the "Other, please specify" field
 - Select the academic year that corresponds to the year in which you received the Fulbright grant.
 - Click Save

Previous Fulbright Grants		
Award Type* Previous Grant Year*	▼	

- 9. If you are applying for another Fulbright Scholar Opportunity, please provide justification as to why you should be considered for another award in the text box.
- 10. Click Continue to save your responses and advance to the next section

Language Skills

This section collects information about your native language, English language skills, and any additional languages that are relevant to your project proposal.

1. Select your native language from the dropdown menu provided.

English Language Proficiency

If your native language is not English, a section collecting your English language proficiency will appear.

2. Rate your English language proficiency in Reading, Writing, and Speaking. Select Native, Advanced, Intermediate, Beginner or No Ability from the dropdown menus as appropriate.

Essay Questions

In this very important section, you will be asked 3-4 questions. Each question will have a different character limit. <u>Please do not exceed this word limit.</u>

Grant and Travel Plans

- 1. Upload a copy of your passport or travel document by selecting Choose File
- 2. Select the number of dependents you intend to have accompany you the U.S.
- 3. Click *Continue* to save your responses and advance to the next section.

Additional Information

- 1. Use this section to upload any required additional documentation.
- 2. Complete the Outreach Survey.
- 3. Click Continue to save your responses and advance to the next section.

Recommendations

Use this section to register your recommenders.

• You must submit two letters of reference. Do not submit more than two references. When you register and enter details of your referees, they will each be sent instructions via email by the system for how to submit their online reference for you. However, the email they receive will not indicate the deadline for submitting their reference letter. Inform your referees that

they are expected to submit their Letters of Reference by the deadline date.

- All references should be written in English and typed on institutional letterhead and signed.
- Once you register your recommenders, they will receive an automatic email with instructions on completing the online recommendation form. The message may be caught by spam/junk email filters, so please inform your referees that they should look for their email a few minutes after you register their details.
- You can track the status of recommendations, send reminders, and add/delete recommenders through this system before **and** after submission of your application.
- You will be sent an email notification when each of your referees submits their reference.
- 1. Click Add Recommender
- 2. Complete all fields in the pop-up form:
- 3. Click Signature

Review

Certify that the information you provided in the application is true and complete by typing your full legal name in the Signature Box.

Click *Confirm* to continue to the next page.

The application will review the responses entered and will display any incomplete questions and required attachments that are missing.

- If no errors appear, then your application is ready for submission.
- If any errors appear, please correct or complete these sections and return to the Review section to determine if your application is ready for submission.

REVIEW ALL RESPONSES. CLICK SUBMIT. Good Luck!