

# TIPS FOR FULBRIGHT APPLICATIONS

Show that you:

- Have done your homework and are knowledgeable of the host country and its requirements as stated in the Fulbright brochure or online
- Are culturally aware by suggesting cultural comparisons or contrasts between the US and the host country
- Know how to do research by citing pertinent theories or authors as they may apply to your research or project proposal
- Know something about the host country's peoples and cultures
- Plan to build on what you have learned in your studies to engage your topic or project
- Plan to take more language or other courses either at Howard or elsewhere to further prepare for your study or project abroad; additional activities (i.e., visit embassies, go to events, find cultural activities in the area, meet people from the host country)

Your personal statement should:

- Highlight any international or intercultural experiences, including clubs, meeting and interacting with international students
- Reflect your passion for going abroad to engage internationally
- Invite the application readers into your life: who are you and what do you care about?
- Reveal that you are serious and reliable; an excellent selection for a US junior ambassador abroad who wishes to share what you will learn with your learning communities and social networks in the US.
- Show how you manage challenges and your enthusiasm for learning new things
- Interesting accomplishments beyond the classroom that you might seek out or engage while abroad

Format: Use 11 or 12 pt fonts.

Spell and grammar check your work several times. Correct any red or green underlining other than proper names. Avoid passive voice; remove "would" and change to an action verbs to sound upbeat.

## Affiliations:

Howard faculty members have a wealth of experience abroad and are ready to assist you. Current/former Visiting Fulbright Scholars may be contacted for information about their institutions. Senior scholars may agree to host you or help you communicate with their colleagues in your field of interest. See the website and contact them now:

[http://www.cies.org/schlr\\_directories/vsdir09/discipline.htm/](http://www.cies.org/schlr_directories/vsdir09/discipline.htm/)

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