**Final list**

**Fulbright Finland Grantees 2017-2018**

**Finnish Grantees**

**ASLA-Fulbright Research Grants for Senior Scholars**

*for post-doctoral research*

**Heinonen, Kristina**

Service Management  
The Embeddedness of Technology in Human Experiences  
Hanken School of Economics  
University of Massachusetts, Boston, MA  
*The grant is cost-shared with Hanken School of Economics*  
3 months, beginning March 2018

**Lindström, Leena**

Evolutionary Ecology  
Human Induced Trans-Generational Stress Tolerance and Invasion Success  
University of Jyväskylä  
University of Vermont, VT  
*The grant is cost-shared with University of Jyväskylä*  
4 months, beginning August 2017

**Lähde, Anna**

Aerosol Technology and Nanoscience  
University of Eastern Finland, Kuopio  
Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, CA  
*The grant is cost-shared with University of Eastern Finland*  
3 months, beginning August 2017

Total grantees for ASLA-Fulbright Research Grant for a Senior Scholar Program: 3

**ASLA-Fulbright Research Grants for Junior Scholars**

*for post-doctoral research*

**Kettunen, Pyry**

Geoinformatics and Cartography  
Intensifying Co-Operative Wayfinding through Interpersonal Indication of Landmarks on Geospatial Pictures (CoWay)  
Finnish Geospatial Research Institute  
University of California, Santa Barbara, CA  
6 months, beginning February 2018
**Soininen, Niko**  
Environmental Law  
Law for the Adaptive Management of Freshwater Resources  
University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu  
The National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center, MD  
*The grant is cost-shared with University of Eastern Finland*  
4 months, beginning January 2018

**Tiekso, Tanja**  
Musicology  
Ideology of New Music  
University of the Arts Helsinki  
Columbia University, NY  
10 months, beginning September 2017

Total grantees for ASLA-Fulbright Research Grant for a Junior Scholar Program: 3

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**Fulbright Arctic Initiative Research Awards**  
*for research collaboration and participation in the Fulbright Arctic Initiative program*

**Gritsenko, Daria**  
Public Policy Analysis  
Sustainable Energy for the Arctic Regions  
University of Helsinki  
George Washington University, D.C.  
Program term: May 2018-October 2019  
Research visit: tbc

**Nystén-Haarala, Soili**  
Commercial Law  
Companies and Benefit Sharing of Natural Resource Extraction  
University of Lapland  
University of Washington, WA  
Program term: May 2018-October 2019  
Research visit: tbc

Total grantees for Fulbright Arctic Initiative Research Awards Program: 2

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**Fulbright Finland Travel Grants for Research Collaboration**

**Pahati, Keyimu**  
Human Geography  
Tourism Collaborative Governance (CTCG) and Rural Community Development in Central Asia  
University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu  
Miami University, OH  
2 weeks, beginning September 2017
Penttilä, Nelly
Logopedics
Speech Disfluencies in Typical and Disordered Speech
University of Tampere
University of Wisconsin - Madison, WI
2 weeks, beginning October 2017

Stenroth, Lauri
Sport Science and Biomechanics
Neuromuscular Training to Prevent Knee Osteoarthritis and Improve Mobility in Older Adults
University of Eastern Finland, Kuopio
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
University of Wisconsin - Madison, WI
2 weeks, beginning September 2017

Total grantees for Fulbright Finland Travel Grants for Research Collaboration Program: 3

ASLA-Fulbright Pre-Doctoral Research Fellows
for doctoral research

Karhunmaa, Kamilla
Environmental Policy
Debating Change and Stability in Energy Policy and Transitions in Finland
University of Helsinki
Harvard University, MA
The grant is cost-shared with University of Helsinki
9 months, beginning August 2017

Sianoja, Marjaana
Work and Organizational Psychology
Creating Sustainable Work: Investigating the Role of Recovery and Workplace Interventions in Employee Well-Being
University of Tampere
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, MA
The grant is cost-shared with University of Tampere
9 months, beginning September 2017

Total grantees for ASLA-Fulbright Pre-Doctoral Research Fellows Program: 2
ASLA-Fulbright Graduate Grants
for graduate studies and doctoral research

Brunila, Mikael
Sociology
Completing a Master’s degree in Quantitative Methods in Social Sciences in the U.S.
University of Helsinki
Columbia University, NY
9 months, beginning August 2017

Huikuri, Sohvi
Tax Law
Completing a Master's degree in Law in the U.S.
Graduate of University of Lapland
University of California, Los Angeles, CA
9 months, beginning August 2017

Kivijärvi, Lauri
Inorganic Chemistry
An Investigation of Electric and Photoluminescence Properties of Metallopolymers
University of Jyväskylä
Missouri State University, MO
Sponsored by KAUTE Foundation
11 months, beginning September 2017

Komulainen, Kaisla
Public Health
Ideal Cardiovascular Health from Childhood to Adulthood
University of Helsinki
Harvard University, MA
ASLA-Fulbright Alumni Ambassadorial Award 2017
The grant is cost-shared with University of Helsinki
12 months, beginning August 2017

Kukkonen, Anna
Sociology
Beliefs and Coalitions in Climate Politics
University of Helsinki
University of Colorado Boulder, CO
9 months, beginning September 2017

Pöykkö, Panu-Matti
Theology
Religion and Politics in Levina's Talmudic Readings and Philosophical Writings
University of Helsinki
Harvard University, MA
The grant is cost-shared with University of Helsinki
10 months, beginning September 2017
Rusi, Inka
Film Directing
Completing a Master’s degree in Film Directing in the U.S.
Graduate of Middlesex University, UK
California School of the Arts, CA
9 months, beginning September 2017

Total grantees for ASLA-Fulbright Graduate Grant Program: 7

Fulbright-Technology Industries of Finland Grants
for graduate study and post-doctoral research in projects with relevance to the fields represented by the technology industries. Program in cooperation with Technology Industries of Finland Centennial Foundation.

Huttunen, Manu
Electrical Engineering
Smart Control for Energy Efficiency in Process and Distributed Environments
Lappeenranta University of Technology
Stanford University, CA
12 months, beginning August 2017

Total grantees for Fulbright-Technology Industries of Finland Grant: 1

Fulbright Finland Partnership Awards for Graduate Studies

Vuola, Aleksi
Architecture
Non-degree studies in Architecture
Tampere University of Technology
University of Colorado Denver, CO
The Johnsons Scholarship
9 months, beginning August 2017

Total grantees for Fulbright Finland Partnership Awards for Graduate Studies: 1

Fulbright Finnish Language and Culture Teaching Assistants
for Finnish teaching and graduate study

Jomppanen, Kristiina
German and Finnish Language
University of Turku
University of Wisconsin - Madison, WI
9 months, beginning August 2017
Tuomainen, Laura Maria
Finnish Language
University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
9 months, beginning August 2017

Total grantees for Fulbright Finnish Language and Culture Teaching Assistant Program: 2

Fulbright Finland Undergraduate Grants
Funded by the Finland-America Educational Trust Fund

Söderlund, Richard
Music Performance
Non-degree studies in Music
Metropolia University of Applied Sciences
Berklee College of Music, MA
9 months, beginning August 2017

Total grantees for Fulbright Finland Undergraduate Grant Program: 1

ASLA-Fulbright Mid-Career Professional Development Grant
for professional development projects

Pudas, Marja
Career Guidance and Counselling
Youth Employment: Supporting the Development of Career Management Skills to Build Careers that Reflect Jobs of the Future
Centre for Economic Development, Transport and the Environment for Central Finland
Georgetown University, DC
3 months, beginning September 2017

Rannila, Sami
Theater Arts
FinnFringe: Bringing Fringe Festival to Finland
Independent Scholar
Fringe Arts, PA
5 months, beginning May 2018

Total grantees for Mid-Career Professional Development Grant: 2
Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching
semester-long program for primary and secondary level educators

Heimonen, Emilia
English Philology
Inclusion of Ethnic and Sexual Minority Groups in the American Classroom
Nummen yhtenäiskoulu
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
4 months, beginning August 2017

Leinonen, Sanna
English Philology
Collaborative Teaching and Learning in High School; Changing the Focus from Teaching to Learning
Ylöjärvi Upper Secondary School
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
4 months, beginning August 2017

Total grantees for Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program: 2

Fulbright Finland Renewal Grants
for continuing studies after the initial grant year

Akrenius, Mikaela
ASLA-Fulbright Graduate Grant 2015-2016
Cognitive Science
Indiana University of Bloomington, IN
9 months, beginning August 2017

Kalm, Matias
Fulbright-Technology Industries of Finland Grant 2014-2015
Business
Arizona State University, AZ
9 months, beginning August 2017

Lemetti, Lotta
Fulbright Finland’s Undergraduate Grant 2015-2016
Photography
New York Film Academy, NY and CA
9 months, beginning August 2017

Manninen, Mika
ASLA-Fulbright Graduate Grant 2016-2017
Exercise Psychology
University of Georgia, GA
9 months, beginning August 2017
Rimali, Saku  
Fulbright Finland’s Undergraduate Grant 2015-2016  
Systems Engineering  
University of Pennsylvania, PA  
9 months, beginning August 2017

Siniauer, Pauliina  
ASLA-Fulbright Graduate Grant 2016-2017  
Food Journalism  
The City University of New York, NY  
9 months, beginning August 2017

Takkinen, Jaakko  
ASLA-Fulbright Graduate Grant 2013-2014  
Religious Studies  
University of California, Santa Barbara, CA  
9 months, beginning August 2017

Total grantees for Fulbright Finland Renewal Grants: 7

Study of the U.S. Institutes  
*summer programs for scholars, secondary school educators, and youth leaders*

Parkkonen, Päivi  
*Study of the U.S. Institute for Secondary School Educators*  
History and Civics  
Valkeala High School  
Institute for Training and Development in Amherst  
5 weeks, beginning June 2018

Total grantees for Study of the U.S. Institutes: 1

Study of the U.S. Institute for Student Leaders from Europe  
*summer programs for youth leaders*

Iqbal, Tayyab  
*Social Entrepreneurship*  
International Business and Logistics  
Metropolia University of Applied Sciences  
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, TN  
5 weeks, beginning June 2018
Salo, Ronja  
*Civic Engagement*  
Education  
University of Tampere  
University of South Carolina, SC  
5 weeks, beginning June 2018

Total grantees for Study of the U.S. Institute for Student Leaders: 2

**U.S. Grantees**

**Fulbright Distinguished Chairs Program**  
*for lecturing and research in higher education institutions in Finland*

**Arce, Gonzalo**  
*Fulbright-Nokia Distinguished Chair in Information and Communications Technologies*  
Electrical and Computer Engineering  
New Frontiers for Compressive Spectral Tomography  
University of Delaware, DE  
Aalto University and Tampere University of Technology  
3 months, beginning June 2017

**Cobb, Daniel**  
*Fulbright Bicentennial Chair in American Studies*  
American Studies and History  
D’Arcy McNickle: A Life Revisited  
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC  
University of Helsinki  
9 months, beginning August 2017  
Fulbright Inter-Country Travel Grant to Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Germany  
Fulbright Inter-Country Travel Grant to Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Germany

**Kim, Dong Shik**  
*Fulbright-Aalto University Distinguished Chair*  
Chemical Engineering  
Surface Interaction of Enzyme with Precisely Designed Biomacromolecules  
University of Toledo, OH  
Aalto University  
4 months, beginning January 2018

**Mada Kannan, Arunachala Nadar**  
*Fulbright-Aalto University Distinguished Chair*  
Energy and Environment  
Design and Development of Solid State Electrolytes for Li-Ion Batteries  
Arizona State University, AZ  
Aalto University  
6 months, beginning May 2018
Matthews, Peter  
*Fulbright-Hanken Distinguished Chair in Business and Economics*
Economics  
Dreams Grown Apart: A European Perspective on Dynamic Inequality  
Middlebury College, VT  
Hanken School of Economics  
11 months, beginning September 2017

Nair, Anand  
*Fulbright-Aalto University Distinguished Chair*
Business Administration  
Sustainability Capability through Environmental Innovations  
Michigan State University, MI  
Aalto University  
3 months, beginning June 2018

Pajukanta, Päivi  
*Fulbright-Saastamoinen Foundation Distinguished Chair in Health Sciences*
Human Genetics  
Searching for Genetic Factors Underlying Cardiovascular Disease Using Multiomics Integrative Genomics Approaches  
University of California, Los Angeles, CA  
University of Eastern Finland, Kuopio  
2 months, Flex grant for academic years 2017-2019 (May 2018)

Pearce, Joshua  
*Fulbright-Aalto University Distinguished Chair*
Materials Science and Engineering  
Open Source Atomic Layer Deposition and Associated Tools for Solar Photovoltaic Development  
Michigan Technological University, MI  
Aalto University  
9 months, beginning August 2017  
Fulbright Inter-Country Travel Grant to University of Trento, Italy  
Fulbright Inter-Country Travel Grant to Université de Lorraine, France

Stock, James  
*Fulbright-Hanken Distinguished Chair in Business and Economics*
Marketing  
Supply Chain Sustainability: A Collaborative Partnership to Identify Best Practices in Finnish Organizations  
University of South Florida, FL  
Hanken School of Economics  
6 months, Flex grant for academic years 2016-2018 (August-October 2017)
Talluri, Srinivas
Fulbright-Hanken Distinguished Chair in Business and Economics
Operations Management
Risk Mitigation to Enhance Supply Chain Sustainability
Michigan State University, MI
Hanken School of Economics
4 months, Flex grant for academic years 2016-2018 (July-September 2017)

Total grantees for Fulbright Distinguished Chairs Program: 10

Core Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

Cui, Ming
Human Development and Family Studies
The Well-Being of Children and Families: Promoting Education and Research from a Cross-Cultural Perspective
Florida State University, FL
University of Helsinki
4 months, beginning August 2017

Frolking, Stephen
Fulbright-Saastamoinen Foundation Grant in Health and Environmental Sciences
Earth System Science
Using New Field Data from Lakkasuo, Finland, to Improve a Peatland Carbon Model for Climate Change Impact Assessment
University of New Hampshire, NH
University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu
5 months, beginning February 2018

Ji, Yun
Fulbright-VTT Grant in Science, Technology and Innovation
Chemical Engineering
Fibre Network Structure Study Using Foam-Forming Technology
University of North Dakota, ND
VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland, Jyväskylä
6 months, beginning January 2018

Kotche, Miiri
Fulbright-VTT Grant in Science, Technology and Innovation
Bioengineering
Translation of User Needs Into Engineering Design Requirements for Medical Devices
University of Illinois at Chicago, IL
VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland, Espoo
6 months, beginning January 2018
Fulbright Inter-Country Travel Grant to Technical University of Liberec, Czech Republic
**McElvain, Richard**  
*Fulbright-University of Turku Scholar Award*  
Theatre  
American Stage and Film Performance and International Popular Culture  
Fitchburg State University, MA  
University of Turku  
5 months, beginning January 2018

**Sanders, Manuel**  
*Fulbright-Tampere University of Technology Scholar Award*  
Mathematics  
Mathematical Competencies in STEM: Preparing the Researchers of Tomorrow  
University of South Carolina, SC  
Tampere University of Technology  
10 months, beginning August 2017

**Timberlake, David**  
*Fulbright-University of Tampere Scholar Award*  
Epidemiology  
Investigating Roadblocks to Finland’s 2040 Tobacco-Free Initiative  
University of California, Irvine, CA  
University of Tampere  
11 months, beginning August 2017

Total grantees for Core Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: 7

**Fulbright Arctic Initiative Research Award**

**Rink, Elizabeth**  
Public Health, Social Work, Anthropology  
Reproductive Health Justice in Arctic Indigenous Communities: A Comparative Analysis of Reproductive Health Traditional Knowledge, Resources, Systems and Policies  
Montana State University, MT  
Thule Institute; University of Oulu  
Program term: May 2018-October 2019

Total grantees for Fulbright Arctic Initiative Research Program: 1

**Fulbright U.S. Student Program**  
*Those in the U.S. Student Program will be in Finland at least for 1 academic year.*

**Holt, Gemma**  
Environmental Policy  
Creating Resilience: Sustainable Development in the Policies of the Arctic Council  
Graduate of Williams College, MA  
University of Lapland
House, Andrew
*Fulbright-EDUFI Fellowships*
Environmental Studies
Atlantic Salmon Genomic Analysis for Conservation Management in Finnish Rivers
Graduate of Mississippi State University, MS
University of Turku and University of Helsinki

Kaul, Maya
Education
Finland’s Race to STEM: A Review of Teachers’ Experiences with STEM Education Reforms
Graduate of Pomona College, CA
University of Helsinki

O’Donnell, James
Economics and Political Science
Evaluating Basic Income: A Case Study of the Finnish Experiment
Graduate of Villanova University, PA
University of Tampere

Olsen, Emily
*Fulbright-EDUFI Fellowships*
Public Health
Completing a Doctoral degree in Epidemiology: Disparities in School Victimization among Adolescents
Graduate of Emory University, GA
University of Tampere

Ramesh, Aditya
*Fulbright-Lappeenranta University of Technology Graduate Award*
Sustainable Science and Solutions
Completing a Master’s degree in Sustainability Science and Solutions – Scaling the Circular Economy
Graduate of Duke University, NC
Lappeenranta University of Technology

Shirey, Vaughn
Ecology and Biodiversity Informatics
Citizen Science: Contributions Towards Our Understanding of National Biodiversity
Graduate of Drexel University, PA
University of Helsinki and Finnish Museum of Natural History

Truong, Quoc Thinh
*Fulbright-Lappeenranta University of Technology Graduate Award*
Physics and Mathematics
Completing a Master’s degree in Energy Systems
Graduate of Lenoir-Rhyne University, NC
Lappeenranta University of Technology
Tursi, Amanda  
**Fulbright-University of Turku Graduate Award**  
Bioinformatics  
Completing a Master's degree in Digital Health and Life Sciences  
Graduate of Rowan University, NJ  
University of Turku

Viggiano, Tiffany  
**Fulbright-EDUFI Fellowships**  
Higher Education Administration and Policy  
Global Responsibility in Practice: International Higher Education in Jyväskylä  
University of California, Riverside, CA  
University of Jyväskylä

Waits, Audrey  
**Fulbright-EDUFI Fellowships**  
Biology  
Health and Wellbeing of Sami Reindeer Herders  
Graduate of Georgia College, GA  
University of Oulu

Total grantees for Fulbright U.S. Student Program: 11

**Mid-Career Professional Development Grant**  
*for professional development projects*

Woityra, William  
Transportation  
A Study of Icebreaking Infrastructure and Management as They Relate to Arctic Maritime Safety  
U.S. Coast Guard, DC  
Finnish Transport Agency, Helsinki  
4 months, beginning January 2018

Total grantees for Mid-Career Professional Development Grant: 1

**Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching**  
*A semester-long program for primary and secondary level educators*

Flynn, Sarah  
Arts  
Grasping It: Craft Education’s Role in Post Secondary Choices  
Arapahoe Campus, Boulder, CO  
University of Jyväskylä  
6 months, beginning January 2018
Infante, Martha
History
How Outdoor Education Fosters Equality in Girls
Los Angeles Academy Middle School, CA
Niilo Mäki Institute, Jyväskylä
5 months, beginning January 2018

Meyers-White, Ebony
Guidance Counseling
Motivating the Unmotivated: Helping All Students Achieve Academic and Career Success
Carver-Vocational Technical High School, MD
University of Jyväskylä
6 months, beginning January 2018

Northern, Samuel
Library and Media
Global Competence: 21st Century Students Take Action with Phenomenon-Based Learning
Simpson Elementary School, KY
University of Helsinki
3 months, beginning January 2018

Pekkala-Flagan, Aulikki
Science
Bridging the Gender Gap in STEM Education
Ramona Convent Secondary School and Pasadena City College, CA
University of Helsinki
5 months, beginning January 2018

Pigott, Kerry
Education (primary level)
The Action Packed Class: Learning in Motion - How Finland’s Best Practices Support Students with ADHD
Cottage Lake Elementary, WA
Niilo Mäki Institute, Jyväskylä
4 months, beginning January 2018

Szypula, Linda
Science
Infusion of STEM Education into 21st Century Learning: A Comparison of Programs and Integration
Fernwood Middle School, NJ
University of Jyväskylä
3 months, beginning January 2018

Total grantees for Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program: 7
Friends of Fulbright Finland Alumni Enrichment Award

Pouyat, Richard
Ecosystems Ecology
The Effect of Differing Plant Types on Soil Ecosystems along a Chronosequence of Parks in Helsinki and Lahti
United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service, D.C.
University of Helsinki
2 weeks, beginning May 2018

Total grantees for Friends of Fulbright Finland Alumni Enrichment Award: 1

Inter-Country Travel Grants
for one week lecturing visits by U.S. Fulbright scholars based in another country to Finnish universities and universities of applied sciences

Information on awarded grants will be updated after selections have been made

Talarico, Joseph
English Language
Lead workshops on differentiated reading and writing instruction for English Teachers
Columbia Heights Educational Campus, D.C.
Current Fulbright host and program: University of Athens, Greece; Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching
IC Host in Finland: Schildt Upper secondary School, Jyväskylä
March 2018

Tiemeyer, Phil
American Studies
Lecture and participate in a workshop aimed for researchers and students interested in U.S. Gender History
Kansas State University, KS
Current Fulbright host and program: University of Belgrade, Serbia; U.S. Fulbright Scholar
IC Host in Finland: John Morton Center
March 2018

Total grantees for the Inter-Country Travel Grant Program: 2
**Fulbright Specialist Program**

*for short-term lecturing and professional collaboration visits by U.S. faculty and professionals to Finnish universities and universities of applied sciences*

Information on awarded grants will be updated after selections have been made

**Bickford, Nate**  
Environmental Sciences  
Sustainability and Global Environmental Issues  
University of Nebraska at Kearney, NE  
Turku University of Applied Sciences  
6 weeks, beginning April 2018

**Bickford, Sonja**  
Business Administration  
Project on International Business and Leadership  
University of Nebraska Kearney, NE  
Turku University of Applied Sciences  
6 weeks, beginning April 2018

**Demeler, Borries**  
Biology Education  
Analysis of Ultracentrifugation Hydrodynamics  
The University of Texas, Health Science Center at San Antonio, TX  
Aalto University  
2 weeks, beginning June 2018

**Donnellan, John**  
Business Administration  
Global Supply Chain Management Project  
New Jersey City University, NJ  
Satakunta University of Applied Sciences, Rauma  
5 weeks, beginning August 2017

**Ensher, Ellen**  
Business Management  
Project on Mentoring and Careers  
Loyola Marymount University, CA  
University of Vaasa  
2 weeks, beginning September 2017

**Frost, Caren**  
Medical and Cultural Anthropology  
Learning from U.S. Migration Studies  
University of Utah, UT  
Institute of Migration, Turku  
3 weeks, beginning September 2017
Kavoossi, Masoud
Business Administration
Extending the Cooperation to USA
Howard University, D.C.
South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences, XAMK
2 weeks, beginning April 2018

O’Brien, Timothy
Statistics
Improving Longitudinal Research Methods by Statistical Model
Loyola University Chicago, IL
University of Tampere
5 weeks, beginning May 2018

Ostrom, Lee
Risk Assessment, Ergonomics and Safety
Developing Training Material for Safe Lab Techniques
University of Idaho, Idaho Falls, ID
Aalto University
6 weeks, beginning February 2018

Total grantees for Fulbright Specialist Program: 9

TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTEEES

Finnish grantees: 39
U.S. grantees: 49
Total: 88

Fulbright Finland Foundation

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