

University of Helsinki's commitment to cost-share a Fulbright grant for 2024-25

The Fulbright Finland Foundation provides grants to Finnish citizens to pursue studies, research, and professional development projects in the United States.

Some of the grants provided by the Fulbright Finland Foundation are funded together with Finnish higher education institutions. These are called cost-share grants. These co-funded grants provide higher education institutions with diverse opportunities to advance the international mobility of their students, researchers, and staff.

Applicants from the University of Helsinki must attach this document completed by their home unit to their grant application.

ASLA-Fulbright Pre-Doctoral Research Fellow and *ASLA-Fulbright Senior Scholar* grants can only be applied to, if the applicant's home unit (home department, faculty, research group, etc.) agrees to participate in cost-sharing the Fulbright grant. This document must be completed and signed by the home unit's representative.

For the *ASLA-Fulbright Graduate Grant* and *ASLA-Fulbright Junior Scholar* programs the applicants from the University of Helsinki must define their home unit's view on cost-sharing the Fulbright grant. Having a cost-share commitment is not a requirement for applying for these grant programs, as some of the grants in these categories are fully funded by the Fulbright Finland Foundation. However, there are only a few of these fully-funded grants available, and therefore having the applicant's home unit participate in cost-sharing the grant is important.

Information filled by grant applicant:

Name: _____

Grant being applied to:

ASLA-Fulbright Graduate Grant

ASLA-Fulbright Pre-Doctoral Research Fellows Program

ASLA-Fulbright Grant for a Junior Scholar

ASLA-Fulbright Grant for a Senior Scholar

Purpose of the grant term: _____

Host university or organization in the U.S. (if known):

Information filled by the representative of the applicant's home unit:

The applicant's home unit agrees to cost-share 50 % of the applicant's Fulbright grant

The applicant's home unit does not agree to cost-share the applicant's Fulbright grant

Supporting arguments for the decision, and the home unit's views on the planned project in the U.S.:

Representative's signature:

Clarification of signature:

Contact details:

Billing the home unit's share of the costs

The home unit's share of the costs will be billed in euros according to the currency rate of the billing day. The invoice will be sent in the beginning of the Fulbright grantee's grant period. For example, if the grant period starts in September, the Fulbright Finland Foundation will send the invoice to the higher education institution during August or September.

Billing address and reference information: _____

Please be in contact with the Fulbright Finland Foundation, if you have any questions regarding the Cost-share commitment.

Why higher education institutions should participate in cost-sharing grants with the Fulbright Finland Foundation:

- The students, researchers, and staff of higher education institutions have more funding available and therefore more grant opportunities for international mobility.
- A Fulbright grant to the U.S. provides the grantee with notable advantages both before and during the grant period (e.g. pre-departure orientation, advising services, free visa, and wider Fulbright network).
- The home university's name and their participation in the cost-share will be announced along with the grantees, providing visibility and promotion of the home university.
- Some of the Fulbright Finland Foundation's grant programs cannot be applied to if the home university does not participate in cost-share grants.

Selection and billing of cost-shared grants from the university's view:

- After the application period ends, applicants who have listed the university as their home institution and who have passed the technical screening are sent to the university for evaluation.
- The university informs the Fulbright Finland Foundation on which applicants it commits to support. The Fulbright Finland Foundation selects the grantees and informs the applicants and home universities about the decision.
- The grantee selections are announced in the Award Ceremony in May. The universities participating in Cost-sharing will be mentioned along with the grantee's name.

Grant programs

University's share of the grant is 50 % in all categories

- **ASLA-Fulbright Graduate Grant**
A grant program for master's or doctoral level studies in the U.S. (for one academic year for taking courses/doing research or completing a degree). Amount of the grant is a maximum of 30 000 USD.
- **ASLA-Fulbright Pre-Doctoral Research Fellows Program**
A grant program for conducting pre-doctoral research in the U.S. for 6-12 months. Amount of the grant is a maximum of 18 000 USD.
- **ASLA-Fulbright Grant for a Junior Scholar**
A grant program for Finnish scholars, who have completed their doctoral degree less than 4 years ago, to carry out a research project of 4-12 months at a U.S. university or research institution. Amount of grant is a maximum of 5 000 USD/month (maximum total 30 000 USD).
- **ASLA-Fulbright Grant for a Senior Scholar**
A grant program for Finnish scholars, who have completed their doctoral degree more than 4 years ago, to carry out a research project of 3-12 months at a U.S. university or research institution. Amount of grant is a maximum of 5 000 USD/month (maximum total 30 000 USD).