



<u>Call for Applications for the 2017-2018 Fulbright Visiting Student Program</u> <u>Deadline: May 27, 2016</u>

The Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy in Mauritius invites applications for the Fulbright Visiting Student Program for the 2017/2018 academic year.

Grantees selected for degree study will be funded for a maximum of 2 years. All awards are contingent upon approval by the J. William Fulbright Scholarship Board (FSB), availability of funds, and successful academic placement.

1. Awards are granted as follows:

- 1 to 2 years of study towards one degree only Master's or Ph.D. (Eligible grantees may apply for one renewal grant); or
- Participation in an academic year (9-10 months) non-degree research program. (Grants are not renewable).

2. Field of Study

We welcome applications in all fields of study. However, while applicants are encouraged to apply for priority fields of study determined by the Government of Mauritius and available on the Ministry of Education and Human Resources website: http://goo.gl/v3PoZR, the U.S. Embassy encourages applications that focus on education, the environment, entrepreneurship/innovation, and the empowerment of women especially in regards to domestic violence.

Note: The JSD Program does not apply for Medicine, Law, Veterinary and Architecture.

3. Eligibility Requirements:

- Nominees must be citizens or nationals of Mauritius, or permanent residents holding a valid passport issued by the Republic of Mauritius.
- Nominees must have at least a bachelor's degree recognized by U.S. universities. Please note that a minimum standard of Second Class Second Division is required for a Master's degree.





- Nominees should have a sufficient level of English proficiency to enable them to realistically accomplish full-time graduate level study in the U.S.
- Nominees must meet the minimum score on **required** standardized tests (For the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), a score of **575/90** is desirable; however, we recommend individuals aim for **600/100**. For the General Record Examinations (GRE): 1000 minimum and the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT): **550 minimum**).
- Nominees should have a high motivation and a serious commitment to completing the program as scheduled and to returning home.
- Preference will be given to nominees with no U.S. educational experience.
- A Master's degree is required for Ph.D. and non-degree research program.
- No applicant shall receive more than one Fulbright Student Program grant.

4. Mode of Application

Applications must be completed online at: https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/international

A complete application includes:

- (1) Duly filled Application Form (please specify 2017-2018 cycle when you apply)
- (2) Official transcripts with the degree certificates;
- (3) English translations of official documents where applicable;
- (4) Three references with at least 2 of them being academic and
- (5) Study Objectives and Personal Statements.

Portfolios of extracurricular activities are welcome. These together with documents which **could not** be uploaded can be sent to:

Re: Fulbright Visiting Student Program The Public Affairs Section Embassy of the United States of America Rogers House, 4th Floor, John Kennedy Street Port Louis

Only shortlisted candidates will be called for interview at which time, the originals of all documents must be produced. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Candidates must be available to go to the U.S. Embassy for an interview at which time originals of all documents **must** be presented.

