

IMPORTANT DATES FOR FULBRIGHT CANDIDATES

This process begins during the spring semester of your junior or senior year. The final application for grants that begin in the fall of 2026 will be due very early in the fall of 2025.

Spring 2025 Application Process Timeline for 2026-2027 Grants

If you are a junior or a senior this year (2024-25) and are considering applying for a Fulbright Fellowship in the fall of 2026 (that is, for a fellowship that begins during the 2026-2027 academic year), you need to get an early start on the application process. Here are the important dates in the Spring of 2025 Fulbright Fellowship application calendar. If you are a sophomore and you are planning to spend the entire academic year 2025-2026 off campus, then you also need to start now.

Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2025, 4:30 p.m. (in person); Thurs., Feb. 27, 7:00 p.m. (virtual)

Link for the virtual meeting:
meet.google.com/qsm-adaz-vyz

Attend one of the Information Sessions posted on Hope's Campus Calendar or Hope's Fulbright web page.

The Feb. 27 meeting will be at 4:30 p.m. and will be in person, in the Granberg Room on the second floor of Van Wylen Library.

The Thurs., Feb. 27 meeting will be at 7:00 p.m., and [will be virtual](#).

If you cannot attend, speak with Dr. Janes about what you must do.
janes@hope.edu

By Tuesday, March 4 (You may do this any time BEFORE this date, but please do it BY the date.)

You will be considered a serious candidate only after submitting the items listed to the right. You can always change your mind later.

[Click for the URL for form.](#)



If you plan to apply for a Fulbright that will fund you to spend the academic year 2026-2027 abroad, please fill out our Fulbright Form: [2025 Fulbright Process for 2026-2027 Placement](#) to indicate your intention to proceed with the application process.

Include:

- 1) Your full **name**.
 - 2) Your **phone** number.
 - 3) Your fellowship type: "Teaching Assistantship" or "Research/Study."
 - 4) The **country** to which you plan to apply (Choose only one.)
 - 5) The **e-mails of three faculty referees** who can speak to your qualifications for this award, and a foreign language evaluator if required. You can change these names later, but please fill in your best options.
 - 6) **Graduation year and month**.
- If you have problems with the form, please e-mail Dr. Janes for assistance.
 At any point, you may drop the process; just e-mail Dr. Janes.

During the spring semester, and before June 2025	Please locate, purchase (or borrow), and read a book – yes, an actual book – about the country where you plan to study, research, or teach.
Tuesday, Mar. 11, 4:30 p.m., Granberg Room, Van Wylen Library OR Wednesday, Mar. 12, 7:00 p.m. (virtual) Link for virtual meeting: meet.google.com/sao-voeg-rqs	Attend a MANDATORY seminar on writing essays for the Fulbright Scholars program. The Tuesday, Mar. 11 meeting will be in person, in the Granberg Room on the second floor of Van Wylen Library. The Wednesday, Mar. 6 meeting will be virtual. If you cannot attend, speak with Dr. Janes about what you must do instead. janes@hope.edu
By the date of your Essay Workshop 1 (March 26, 28, April 1 or 2)	1) Draft your Statement of Grant Purpose (two double-spaced pages for English Teaching Assistantships; four double-spaced pages for research/study grants); OR 2) Draft your two-page (double-spaced) Personal Statement. See the Fulbright website and the Writing Requirements for information about preparing these documents. BRING 7 PRINTED COPIES
UPDATED Sign up for and attend ONE Essay Workshop 1: 1A: Thurs Mar 27, 4-6:30 pm, Lubbers 120 1B: Fri Mar 28, 3-5:30 pm, Lubbers 120 1C: Tues April 1, 7-9:30 pm, Lubbers 120 (late!) 1D: Wed April 2, 12-2:00pm, Granberg Room Van Wylen Library	Prepare for and attend ONE of the mandatory essay workshops 1. The workshops will run for about two and a half hours. We will ask you to sign up for a time. You only need to attend one of the late March to early April workshops. Sign up via the Google doc here.
Sign up for and attend ONE Essay Workshop 2: 2A: Mon., April 14, 12:02:00 pm, Granberg Room Van Wylen Lib 2B: Tues., April 15, 3-5:30 pm, Lubbers 120 2C: Thurs., April 17, 10am -12 pm, Lubbers 113 2D: Thurs., April 17, 5-7:30 pm, Lubbers 120	Attend ONE of the second round of mandatory essay workshops with new drafts of your SGP or PS. The workshops will run about two and a half hours, but may end early. We will ask you to sign up for a time. You only need to attend one of the mid-April workshops. sign up here for a Writing Workshop #2 time

By June 15, 2025	Please submit a three- to four-page essay on a book (a book! Not a website!) that you have read about the country to which you plan to apply, to gibbs@hope.edu, janes@hope.edu, and pearson@hope.edu. Be sure to include full bibliographic information (author, title, city, publisher, year of publication) for your book.
June 30, 2025 (or earlier)	The online application will open in April 2025. During the month of June, 2025, you should complete the application to the best of your ability and ask any questions that arise in the process. Once you have received the go-ahead from the Fulbright Advisors, register your reference-letter-writers online.
June and July, 2025	There will be a series of deadlines for new drafts in June and July. We will notify you of the summer schedule by e-mail. You will upload your drafts, either as Word docs or as Google docs, to a personal Fulbright Google Drive folder, and we will return comments to you by uploading them to your folder
Between July 8 and July 31, 2025	You must meet personally (virtually) with Dr. Gibbs, Dr. Janes, or Dr. Pearson to go over your essays, discuss your list of referees, and find out what else needs to be done during the summer of 2025.
After you receive your Spring 2025 grades (and Summer 2025 grades, if you are taking summer courses)	Order an official transcript from the Registrar's Office. It's fine if it's marked "Issued to Student." You will need to upload it with your application. The multi-page transcript available on KnowHopePlus is NOT acceptable. You must order a transcript from the Registrar's Office.
July 8, 2025	Application Check. The status of your online application will be checked by the campus Fulbright advisors at this point. If your application is radically incomplete at this stage, you will be asked to complete it (or else to drop the process). You can still change it after this point, of course, and in fact you are encouraged to work on the application over the summer.
Wednesday, August 27, 2025	Submit your preliminary online application. Your application will be read and returned to you for corrections and finalization.

September 2025

We will schedule campus interviews during September, after which you will have a final opportunity to make your application “practically perfect in every way.”