

U.S. – ASEAN Fulbright

The Fulbright U.S.–ASEAN Visiting Scholar Initiative was launched in 2012 to deepen people-to-people engagement and strengthen our educational ties around issues important to the ASEAN region. To date 16 academics from all ten ASEAN Member States have received scholarships to study in United States through this initiative. From November 2014 to April 2015, nine scholars from ASEAN are conducting research on issues related to U.S.-ASEAN priorities, including renewable energy technology, preventing wildlife crime, and improving English language proficiency.

The program is open to university faculty, foreign ministry and government officials, and professional staff of think tanks and other NGOs in ASEAN member nations to travel to the U.S. for scholarly and professional research for 3-4 months on issues that are relevant and useful to member nations, and central to the U.S. – ASEAN relationship. Applicants will be expected to have a significant record of scholarly or professional accomplishment; they must be citizens of one of the ten ASEAN member countries; and they must be proficient in English. Preference will be given to qualified applicants who have not had recent and substantial experience in the United States. Applicants must be residing in an ASEAN member country throughout the nomination and selection process, and must return to an ASEAN member country upon completion of their U.S. stay.

The Fulbright Program is the United States' flagship academic exchange program. It continues to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries. Since 1952, 325,400 individuals have participated in The Fulbright program. 8,000 grants are awarded annually, 700 of which are awarded to U.S. and ASEAN-nation students for study, research, or teaching in one another's country. This includes more than 170 Fulbright English Teaching Assistants.

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