

Seattle Pacific University Fulbright Application Timeline 2021

1. Submit an email by **June 1** at the latest to Dr. Michelle Beauclair at beaucm@spu.edu (Fulbright Program Advisor) and cc the SPU Fulbright Program Co-Advisors, Dr. Caroline Maurer at cmaurer@spu.edu , Dr. Katya Nemtchinova at katya@spu.edu , and Annie Gray at graya@spu.edu with the following information:
 - Your Name
 - Major(s) and any minor(s)
 - Type of Fulbright Grant you are seeking:
 - i. **Study/Research Awards (including Arts Awards)**
 - ii. **English Teaching Assistant Awards (ETA)**
 - iii. **Special Programs (i.e. Fulbright National Geographic Digital Storytelling Fellowships)**
 - Country (or countries you are considering, if you are undecided)
 - Names of three potential recommenders: (at least two professors, and possibly one supervisor who can speak to any relevant work experience)
2. In the first week of June after communicating your intent to apply:
 - You will be assigned one Fulbright Program Advisors (FPA) who will work with students 1:1 through the essay writing process.
 - You will receive an invitation for the SPU Fulbright Writing Workshop which will take place mid-June. At this workshop, FPAs will detail what the national Fulbright selection committee is looking for in applicants' essays (i.e. what to avoid, tips to make a stronger essay, and how to best communicate your attributes).
 - You are **highly** recommended to make an appointment at the SPU Writing Center for June 22-24 as a preliminary review of your first drafts.
3. After incorporating the feedback and suggestions from the SPU Writing Center into your essays, you should send strong drafts to your FPA by **July 1**.

Note: The SPU Fulbright Committee's decision as to whether to recommend an applicant to the national Fulbright selection committee will largely depend on the quality of the applicant's essays. FPAs will help students strengthen their essays but we will not assist students with basic grammar or essay structure. For this reason, we highly suggest utilizing the SPU Writing Center prior to the July 1 deadline (the SPU Writing Center is free of charge for current SPU students).

4. After working with your FPA, you should have the following application components in their near final form by **August 1** :
 - Biographical Data
 - Program Information * [Short Answers: Abstract, Community Engagement Plans, Future Plans]
 - Statement of Grant Purpose *
 - Personal Statement *
 - Affiliation Letter (For Research Awards)

- Graduate School Application Completed Separately (for Study Awards)
 - Required Supplementary Materials (for Arts Awards)
5. Contact your three potential recommenders to request a Letter of Recommendation and/or Foreign Language Evaluations (for those countries and awards requiring the latter) to be submitted by **September 1**. Along with your request for a Letter of Recommendation, please provide the following to your recommenders:
 - Program Information * [Short Answers: Abstract, Community Engagement Plans, Future Plans]
 - Statement of Grant Purpose *
 - Personal Statement *
 - A résumé, a CV or other relevant information to help your recommender write a strong letter
 6. Once your three recommenders have agreed to write you a Letter of Recommendation and/or Foreign Language Evaluation, complete the following by **September 1**:
 - Send each recommender a link to submit their LORs and/or FLE
 - Invite their feedback on your Statement of Grant Purpose, Personal Statement, and Program Information
 - Incorporate their feedback on your PI, SOGP and PS
 - Upload your transcript(s) to your application
 - Submit your completed application
 7. The SPU Campus Fulbright Application Deadline is **September 1**. All application materials including Letters of Recommendations and/or Foreign Language Evaluations must be submitted at this time. Applicants who miss the deadline will forfeit the opportunity to participate in an SPU interview and therefore will not gain an SPU endorsement.
 8. Once you have submitted your completed application, you will be contacted to set up a 45-minute interview with the SPU Campus Interview Committee. Interviews will take place between **September 7-10**. You do not need to be on-campus for the interview; we can easily arrange remote interviews.

Following the interview, Dr. Michelle Beauclair will unsubmit your application, and you will have a chance to incorporate the final suggestions and feedback from the Campus Interview Committee before resubmission.

9. You must resubmit your final application by the national Fulbright deadline, **Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at 5:00 pm EST**.