



2017-2018 Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program

Call for Applications

U.S. Mission Belize is now accepting applications for the 2017-2018 Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program. The program is fully funded by the U.S. Government. This 10 months fellowship program is a Fulbright program that is offered to mid-career professionals working at the policy level who have a record of leadership and a commitment to public service. Fellows are based at leading American universities for ten-months to pursue self-designed programs to include independent study, coursework, and an internship with an organization in their field of expertise.

The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program brings accomplished professionals from developing countries to the United States at a midpoint in their careers for a 10 month program of non-degree study and related professional experiences. Professional enrichment activities include professional visits, conferences, training programs, and a professional affiliation. The professional affiliation provides first-hand exposure to an American work environment on a full-time basis for a minimum period of six weeks. The program seeks to foster an exchange of knowledge and mutual understanding between American citizens and their professional counterparts from Belize. Successful applicants will be placed at participating universities in the United States from August 2017-June 2018. The Humphrey program is classified as a non-degree program by the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS). Humphrey Fellows cannot transfer from non-degree status to degree status under any circumstances.

The Humphrey Program aims to:

- Establish and enhance long-lasting productive partnerships and relationships between U.S. citizens and individuals from other parts of the world;
- Develop leaders whose knowledge and skills have been informed by exposure to American values, models and ideas--leaders who will have a multiplier effect on their societies;
- Expand and improve the range of international exchange and training programs; and
- Increase U.S. citizens' knowledge and understanding of international issues and of other cultures and societies.

Eligible Fields

Fellowships are available in the following fields at 15 Universities in the US:

Sustainable Development

- Agricultural and Rural Development
- Economic Development/Finance and Banking
- Natural Resources, Environmental Policy, and Climate Change
- Urban and Regional Planning

Democratic Institution Building

- Communications/Journalism
- Law and Human Rights
- Public Policy Analysis and Public Administration
- Trafficking in Persons Policy and Prevention
- Technology Policy and Management
- Human Resource Management

Education

- Education Administration, Planning and Policy
- Higher Education Administration
- Teaching of English as a Foreign Language

Public Health

- Public Health Policy and Management
- HIV/AIDS Policy and Prevention
- Substance Abuse Education, Prevention and Treatment

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants for the Humphrey Fellowship must meet all of the following criteria:

- An undergraduate (first university or Bachelor's) degree
- Have five (5) years of substantial professional experience in their field,
- Demonstrate leadership qualities and a record of public service in the community
- Be fluent in English.

Application/Selection Process

The application form is available [online \(https://apply.embark.com/student/humphrey/fellowship/00/\)](https://apply.embark.com/student/humphrey/fellowship/00/). Completed applications should be submitted online no later than **September 15, 2016**. Applications must detail the specific coursework, independent research, and internship intentions of the applicant and how they fit in his/her professional goals. Copies of certificates, transcripts and letters of recommendation should be uploaded onto each applicant's online application. If not, they can be delivered directly to the Public Affairs Section at the U.S. Embassy in Belmopan. Only final nominees will be required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).

All applications are reviewed by a local selection panel; final selection of Fellows is made by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. Awards are announced by March each year for Fellowships beginning in August/September.

Grant Provisions

The Humphrey Fellowship provides:

- Round-trip economy international travel for the grantee.
- A monthly maintenance allowance and funding for books and professional activities.
- Tuition and university fees.
- Limited accident and sickness insurance for the grantee only.

Note: Because this a popular program, we will only notify shortlisted candidates.