A LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP

The Humphrey Fellowship Program was established in 1978 to honor the public service career of Hubert H. Humphrey (1911-1978). A long-time advocate of international cooperation and understanding, Humphrey served in public office for over three decades as the mayor of Minneapolis, Minnesota, as a U.S. Senator from the state of Minnesota, and as Vice President of the United States.

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

The Humphrey Program is a Fulbright exchange activity. Its primary funding is provided by the U.S. Congress through the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State. The Institute of International Education assists the U.S. Department of State in administering the Humphrey Fellowship Program.

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THE HUBERT H. HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

A YEAR OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE UNITED STATES

"Instead of worrying about the future, let us labor to create it."
– Hubert H. Humphrey

Regina Junio (Philippines) shares her culture with Americans by demonstrating winnowing rice at a 2009 cross-cultural education program in Ithaca, New York.

LEADERS FOR A GLOBAL SOCIETY

The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program provides ten months of non-degree academic study and professional development in the United States. Humphrey Fellows are selected based on their potential for leadership and commitment to public service.

The Humphrey Program fosters a mutual exchange of knowledge and understanding about issues of common concern in the United States and other countries around the world. It offers valuable opportunities for education, leadership development, and interaction with American and international professional counterparts.

More than 4,400 men and women have been honored as Humphrey Fellows since the program was established in 1978. Approximately 200 fellowships are awarded annually.

"The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program gave me freedom of thinking, professional development, leadership skills, and inspiration."
– Humphrey Fellow from Kazakhstan

OVERVIEW OF THE HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP YEAR

Practical professional experiences are the core of the Humphrey Program. Fellows design and implement individualized programs to acquire career related knowledge, interact with colleagues, and gain professional experience. This is supplemented by university classes, field trips, special workshops, and seminars with other Humphrey Fellows. Although Humphrey Fellows are affiliated with a university, the fellowship is not an academic degree program.

2010 Fellows Maia Rusakova (Russia) and Moses Ojo (Nigeria)

Rogerio da Paz (Brazil) learns about digital tools during the 2011 Digital Media Enhancement Workshop held at the University of Maryland, College Park.

UNIVERSITY PLACEMENT

Based on their professional interests, Humphrey Fellows are placed in groups at eighteen major university programs. These host universities are chosen for their excellence in particular fields of study and for the resources and support they offer Humphrey Fellows.

Each university has a Humphrey Program coordinator and advisors. These individuals provide administrative support as well as academic and professional advice.

2010 Fellows Mutriba Latypova (Tajikistan) and Stella Hachaturyan (Turkmenistan) participate in a consensus building activity.

PROFESSIONAL FIELDS

Humphrey Fellowships are awarded competitively to mid-career professionals in many fields, among them:

- Agriculture and rural development
- Communications/journalism
- Substance abuse education, treatment, and prevention
- Economic development/finance and banking
- Education administration, planning, and policy
- HIV/AIDS policy and prevention
- Human resource management
- Law and human rights
- Natural resources, environmental policy, and climate change
- Public health policy and management
- Public policy analysis and public administration
- Teaching of English as a foreign language
- Technology policy and management
- Trafficking in persons policy and prevention
- Urban and regional planning

"The Humphrey Fellowship is a great program that has impacted me positively and will benefit my local community and country."

– Humphrey Fellow from South Africa

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- An undergraduate (first university) degree
- A minimum of five years full-time professional experience
- Limited or no prior experience in the United States
- Demonstrated leadership skills
- A record of public service in the community
- English language ability (up to 4 months of English training is available)

HOW TO APPLY

Interested applicants should apply to the Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy or the Fulbright Commission in their home countries. Nominated applicants are then reviewed in the United States by independent review committees, who then recommend finalists to the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. For more information, please visit **www.humphreyfellowship.org**.

Jaroslav Valuch (Czech Republic), Stefan Hudec (Slovak Republic) and Ahmet Imirzalioglu (Turkey) at the Global Leadership Forum, October 2009.

WHAT DOES THE FELLOWSHIP PROVIDE?

All Fellows receive funding for:

- International and domestic travel
- Relevant courses, workshops, and seminars
- Accident/sickness health benefits policy
- A monthly maintenance stipend
- Supplies such as books and computers
- Professional activities

The Humphrey Program does not provide financial support for accompanying dependents.

"I really appreciated this program which helped me to see my home country's problems from a different point of view, and to clarify my professional goals."

– Humphrey Fellow from Mongolia

A LASTING IMPACT

The Humphrey Program creates a basis for establishing enduring links between Americans and citizens of other nations. It also leads to lasting relationships between program alumni. Humphrey Fellows return to their home countries reinvigorated by broader perspectives, enhanced leadership skills, and greater professional knowledge. The U.S. faculty, students, and community members who welcome Humphrey Fellows expand their own horizons as well by learning about Fellows' home countries.

Humphrey alumni can remain engaged with their Humphrey experience by applying for small grants from the Institute of International Education and the U.S. Department of State. These grants provide the opportunity to put to use the skills and knowledge acquired during the fellowship year by initiating community projects and furthering professional development after returning home. Please visit **www.humphreyfellowship.org** to read about alumni success stories.