



2016 FULBRIGHT JUNIOR RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

GENERAL INFORMATION/PROVISIONS

The Thailand-U.S. Educational Foundation (Fulbright Thailand), in cooperation with the Thailand Research Fund (TRF), is pleased to announce the "***Fulbright-Thailand Research Fund Junior Research Scholarship Program***," which is aimed to develop the capabilities of Thai university staff members and interested persons to gain **six months** of research experience in the United States ***as part of their doctoral dissertation requirements***.

Up to seven (7) grants will be available for the **2016** academic year. **Two (2)** will be awarded under the Fulbright Program and **up to five (5)** will be under the Fulbright-TRF partnership. For the grant sponsored by Fulbright Thailand, benefits are intended to cover round-trip international airfare, monthly stipend for six months, in-transit allowance and health insurance. For the Fulbright-TRF partnership, funding support will be mainly sponsored by the Thailand Research Fund (TRF) with possibility of additional fund from Fulbright Thailand upon an approval from the TUSEF board members.

Fulbright Thailand will assist the grantees in visa process, coordinate with the host U.S. institutions and offer non-monetary benefits i.e. orientations, enrichment seminars, international conferences, etc., which will help grantees to get access to their chosen host universities and create quality international networks.

ELIGIBILITY:

FAILURE TO MEET ANY ONE OF REQUIREMENTS MAKES AN APPLICANT INELIGIBLE.

An applicant must:

1. Be **physically present in Thailand** at the time of the application, interview and orientation
2. Be **a Thai citizen** in good health (individuals holding U.S. immigrant visas or permanent U.S. resident cards (green cards), or dual (Thai and U.S.) citizenships are not eligible to apply.);
3. **Be a university lecturer OR interested persons who are undertaking graduate work at the Ph.D. level in a Thai university;**
4. Be recommended by his/her employer for consideration;
5. Demonstrate strong academic performance at the graduate level;
6. Have appropriate background to undertake the proposal they have outlined;
7. Have the concurrence of the university Ph.D. program in which he/she is enrolled;
8. **Have a valid TOEFL official score report:**
 - a. **iBT TOEFL score of 71 or above or;**
 - b. **ITP TOEFL score of 525 or;**
 - c. **CU-TEP test score of 75.**
9. **Obtain written confirmation (a letter of invitation) from a U.S. professor/scientist at the host institution that s/he will supervise the research;**
10. Be able to take leave from his/her home institution or post;
11. Preferably not have had extensive experience in the United States during the previous 5 years and
12. Be able to fully participate in every activity organized by Fulbright Thailand, e.g. Preliminary Orientation and Pre-departure Orientation Program which will be held in February and June respectively.

