

## **Fulbright Thai Graduate Scholarship (Open Competition Scholarship Program)**

### **ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

The national competition sets the high standards that give a Fulbright scholarship its fine reputation. Academic and professional credentials, importance of the fields to Thailand, commitment to return and strength of character are the prime considerations for selecting applicants.

Up to 7 grants are available annually, depending upon budget appropriations, for study towards a Masters or graduate degree in the United States in a broad variety fields with the exception of medicine, public health, nursing, and allied subjects with no clinical practices are eligible.

Successful candidates will be eligible to receive funding from the Foundation for the actual costs of the first year of the master's program (not exceeding \$35,000). However, there is a possibility that the Foundation would provide an additional fund for the first year, depending on the budget of this fiscal year.

Grants are normally for one academic year. Grantees who require more than one year to complete the master's degree are eligible for further funding of up to \$17,500 for their study program in the United States beyond the initial year. The second year grant will normally be provided on a case by case basis depending on reasonable progress towards the planned degree.

Grants are intended to cover costs of tuition and fees, books and educational supplies, maintenance allowance, and insurance coverage. Additionally, the Foundation will cover round-trip international travel expenses (economy class) between Thailand and the United States. Some of the grants may be combined with tuition waivers or other financial aid from appropriate institutions.

### **PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT**

January-April

### **ELIGIBILITY**

1. Must be a Thai citizen in good health.
2. Must have completed all requirements for a bachelor's degree from a university in Thailand at the time of the interview. Applicants with working experience are encouraged to apply
3. Must have at least a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or equivalent on the bachelor's degree transcript of academic performance.
4. Must have a minimum TOEFL score of 550 PBT / 213 CBT / 80 iBT, that is valid until the date of the application deadline. IELTS is not accepted. Be in Thailand for the interview
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6. Must not enroll in any degree program in the U.S. prior to the grant year.

## INELIGIBILITY

- Hold U.S. immigrant visas or permanent U.S. resident cards (green cards), or dual (Thai and U.S.) citizenship

## NOTE

Graduating seniors completing bachelor's degree programs after the application deadline can apply using an official transcript with records up to the first semester of their 4th year. However, applicants must submit a hard-copy of final official transcript confirming receipt of the bachelor's degree once the degree has been approved. This is in addition to the official transcript initially submitted with the application, and it must be submitted at least one week before the interview date.

For TOEFL examination, please contact the Institute of international Education, Maneeya Center North, 6th Floor, 518/3 Ploenchit Road, Pathumwan , Bangkok 10330 , Tel. (66) 0-2652-0653