



SOUTH AND CENTRAL ASIA

# REGIONAL TRAVEL PROGRAM FOR FULBRIGHT U.S. SCHOLARS

The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) offers the Regional Travel Program for current Fulbright U.S. Scholars in the SCA region. The United States-India Educational Foundation (USIEF) is responsible for administering this program. The Regional Travel Program for Fulbright U.S. Scholars:

- Provides travel grants to spend a period of 3 -14 days in another South and Central Asian country during the grant period to participate in professional and academic activities.
- Offers local academic institutions and non-profit organizations, U.S. embassies and consulates, and Fulbright Commissions in SCA the opportunity to benefit from the academic and professional expertise of U.S. Scholars currently in SCA.

Scholars can develop and participate in a variety of activities including lectures, seminars, curriculum development, panel presentations, needs assessments, and conferences. Fulbrighters in the arts may be invited to give master classes or recitals, participate in exhibitions or workshops, or consult with cultural institutions. The program, for example, also enables Fulbright U.S. Scholars to:

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|  Present guest lectures at colleges and universities within the SCA region   |  Create linkages between their U.S. and host institutions |
|  Speak on the history, culture, and society of the United States  |  Be a resource for U.S. Embassy and Consulates           |
|  Exchange ideas with foreign students, faculty, and local, government, non-profit, and private sector organizations |  Examine higher education in the region                  |
|  |  Share their specific research interests                 |

## ELIGIBLE DESTINATION COUNTRIES

-  India
-  Kazakhstan
-  Kyrgyz Republic
-  Maldives
-  Nepal
-  Sri Lanka
-  Tajikistan
-  Turkmenistan
-  Uzbekistan

\*Travel is not permitted to Afghanistan, Pakistan, Bangladesh, or Bhutan for U.S. Scholars on a Regional Travel Program grant. Research (Flex) Scholars are not entitled for the SCA Regional Travel Program.

- Scholars must secure their own invitations for activities. Neither ECA nor USIEF assist in affiliation for the purpose of a regional travel grant.
- Scholars are encouraged to explore any cost share from the host institution/organization, such as accommodation, meals, and local travel.
- Public Affairs Sections at U.S. Embassies or Fulbright Commissions must be informed (in advance) about the visit of a Scholar to their jurisdiction.



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