

## The UMBC Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages Program Presents

## An Insider's Guide to Fulbright and UMBC's TESOL International Partnerships



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Did you know that UMBC TESOL students have won the prestigious Fulbright U.S. Student scholarship to teach English overseas? What about our TESOL program international partnerships to complete your MA TESOL non-certification internship? If you're interested in learning more about applying for a Fulbright U.S. Student award or in completing your non-certification internship abroad, join us for a conversation with Dr. Lee, Dr. Souders, Leah and Mike that will address questions you may have.

**Dr. Jiyoon Lee** is the international coordinator of the UMBC TESOL program. She manages international partnerships and closely works with the program's international students. She advises those who are interested in teaching abroad for their non-certification internship as well as their future employment. She has also served as a reviewer for the English Language Fellow Program at Fulbright.

**Dr. Brian Souders** has mentored hundreds of UMBC students with their applications for Fulbright and other global scholarships in his role as UMBC's Associate Director for Global Engagement Opportunities. He has also served as a reviewer for the Fulbright English Language Assistant Program. He has worked in UMBC's Center for Global Engagement for more than two decades, supporting their global plans to study, research or teach overseas.

**Leah Ginty** received a 2019-2020 Fulbright English Teaching Assistant award to Benin, where she co-taught English lessons with local teachers in secondary schools, English clubs, and U.S. embassy-sponsored programs. She earned an M.A. in TESOL with PreK-12 certification from UMBC in 2019. In 2016, she earned an M.A. in French Literature from Boston College, where she had been a French teaching fellow and research travel grantee. She graduated from UMBC in 2014 with a major in MLLI (French), a certificate in Gender + Women's Studies, and a minor in music. She currently teaches ESOL 1 at White Oak Middle School in Montgomery County.

**Mike Schapiro** has a M.A. in TESOL from UMBC and a B.A. degrees in Spanish Language and Literature and Communication from the University of Maryland College Park. In Spring 2020, he completed a scholarship with the Fulbright U.S. Student Program in Colombia, teaching English to vocational high school students. He has also taught in Costa Rica, community colleges, and the Washington University of Virginia. Currently, he is teaching math to ESOL students at White Oak Middle School in Montgomery County.