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An Insider's Guide to Fulbright and the English Language Fellow Programs



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If you are interested in learning more about the Fulbright U.S. Student Program or the English Language Fellow Program to teach English overseas, join us for a conversation with Leah, Brian, and Matthew. They will discuss important issues, such as:

- How do I decide which country and/or award type to apply for?
- What are a grantee's day-to-day responsibilities?
- What are the steps of the application process?
- What should I do now to have a competitive application?

Dr. Brian Souders has worked with hundreds of UMBC students, alumni and faculty on a wide portfolio of Fulbright programs. An alumnus of both the Language, Literacy and Culture Program and the TESOL master's program, he has served as UMBC's Fulbright Program Advisor for more than a decade. He currently serves as Associate Director of Global Engagement Opportunities in the Center for Global Engagement

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