



Short-term Overseas Opportunities for Expert Speakers on U.S. Study Abroad!

The USA Study Abroad branch of the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) is pleased to partner with AIEA to offer members opportunities to speak with international education audiences overseas. ECA's Study Abroad Engagement Grants support U.S. embassies and Fulbright Commissions in their efforts to coordinate with local partners in building capacity for diverse U.S. students to study or intern in destinations around the world. Some of the participating U.S. embassies and Fulbright Commissions would like to host expert speakers in their countries for short-term workshops, consultations, or related engagements. Visiting expert speakers must be U.S. citizens.

Please see below for more information on specific opportunities.
For more information or to express interest, please contact StudyAbroad@state.gov

SPAIN: March 23 -31, 2020

Location: **Spain: including Madrid, Málaga and Murcia**

Dates: **March 23 -31 (includes arrival/departure dates)**

Estimated travel grant amount (to cover flights, meals, lodging, honorarium, and related expenses): **\$6,170 (including in-country transit)**

Language request: **Spanish language skills recommended, but not required**

Program description:

The U.S.-Spain Fulbright Commission in Madrid would like to bring an expert U.S. speaker to Spain to lead three workshops for local higher education administrators as well as a talk for local and visiting US higher education administrators. The three workshops would initially take place in Madrid, Málaga and Murcia at local universities, although final destinations yet to be confirmed. The fourth session would be a talk in Madrid at the ICEX Study Abroad Capacity Workshop at the first day of their week-long event.

With the support and guidance of the U.S. speaker, participants will explore best practices in building international student programs, attracting U.S. students, partnering with U.S. institutions, examples of successful exchanges between U.S. and Spanish institutions, and available funding opportunities to help facilitate such partnerships and exchanges. We would also like to share best practices on how universities attract international students and communicate information regarding their programs. The U.S. speaker will be invited to introduce the expectations of U.S. students, their parents, and their home institutions when they study abroad, as well.

The speaker should be familiar with administrative aspects of tertiary education and study abroad programs and can share their experience and best practices. They must be able to address practical issues regarding the logistics of establishing study abroad programs, promoting them, and then providing the necessary services/support/education to American students overseas.

The grant covers all flights/transit, meals and incidentals and hotel. Additionally, speakers will receive a small honoraria of \$200 per each day of programming or workshops.

To express interest in serving as the U.S. Study Abroad visiting expert speaker, please email the following information to StudyAbroad@state.gov by January 8th at Midnight.

- Your name, title, institution, number of years of experience in the field, and information related to your any language proficiency, and contact information;
- Confirmation of your U.S. citizenship (documentation not required to express interest);
- A brief explanation (no more than 350 words) of why you are a strong candidate for this speaking opportunity, including your skills, knowledge, professional experience, regional familiarity, or other qualifications.
- An online link to your CV (optional)

The successful candidate will be put in touch directly with the primary contact overseas (at the U.S. embassy or consulate, bilateral Fulbright Commission, or a partner grantee) to discuss program details and travel grant logistics. Please note that candidates who have not yet participated in one of USA Study Abroad's Short-term Overseas Opportunities for Expert Speakers on U.S. Study Abroad are strongly encouraged to apply.



Thank you!