Clinton Requests Increased Funding for Fulbright Program in FY 2001

The final budget of President Clinton’s administration requests funding of $225 million for educational and cultural exchange programs in Fiscal Year 2001. Funding for the Fulbright Program for Students, Scholars, and Teachers is set at $116.3 million, with the Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program, authorized under Fulbright legislation, receiving a request of $8.3 million. These figures represent an increase over the administration’s FY 2000 budget request, which included $105.9 million for the Fulbright Program and $6.11 million for the Humphrey Program.

The budget narrative states that the request will “enhance funding for the Fulbright program, as recommended by the report of a bipartisan Steering Committee to the President and the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.” The independent steering committee, convened by the National Humanities Center for the 50th anniversary of the Fulbright Program, recommended a restoration of funding to $125 million annually.

In a life rich in learning, achievement, and recognition, Arlene Alda’s Fulbright experience still stands out. In 1954, as a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Hunter College, the then Arlene Weiss received a Fulbright award to study clarinet in Germany at the Cologne Conservatory of Music. “I was born and brought up in the Bronx. I went to school in Manhattan. I never went away to camp. I never traveled much,” Ms. Alda said. “So my Fulbright was an extraordinary experience. Not only was I going away from home, but I was also going on this unbelievable adventure of learning.”

That she could “saturate” herself with music in a conservatory setting and in a new culture with a different language was, Ms. Alda observed, a “treat beyond description.” And at the age of 22, it was all “eye-opening.”

The Fulbright process of learning to understand and empathize with others while clearly focusing on the meanings of one’s own nationality is even more important today as local and regional conflicts break out around the world, according to Ms. Alda. Continued on page 19.
Members Elect President, Directors

At the Fulbright Association’s 22nd annual business meeting on Oct. 8 in Washington, D.C., members elected Frederick G. Acker to serve as president in 2000. They also voted to adopt the slate of board candidates proposed for the term Jan. 1, 2000, to Dec. 31, 2002. Newly elected to the board are Patti Rosenfeld, Linda H. Scanlan, and Anthony Viscusi.

Frederick G. Acker

Partner at McDermott, Will & Emery (Chicago), Frederick G. Acker received his bachelor’s degree from Valparaiso University. He studied philosophy as a Fulbright scholar at the University of Manchester in England in 1957-58. Mr. Acker received his master’s degree in philosophy and his juris doctorate from Harvard University. He is president, chair, and director of the Mac McGraw Wildlife Foundation and is a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel. He has served as chair and director of the Nature Conservancy, Illinois Chapter, and as director of the West Suburban Council of Boy Scouts of America. He is a member of the American Bar Association and the Illinois and Indiana State Bar Associations.

Patti Rosenfeld

A graduate of John Carroll University, Patti Rosenfeld served in the White House Offices of Presidential Personnel and Political Affairs from 1996-98 before joining Christmas in April USA to work on special events. From 1995-98, Mrs. Rosenfeld was director of special projects in the office of Oklahoma First Lady Cathy Keating, where she organized compilation and research for In Their Name, a bestselling book detailing events and stories of the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing. Mrs. Rosenfeld was a member of the Bush Presidential Inaugural Committee and is a co-founder of Working Walls, Inc. (Cleveland).

Linda H. Scanlan

Freelance writer and public relations consultant Linda H. Scanlan received her master's degree in journalism from Columbia University and a master’s in higher education administration from George Washington University. Ms. Scanlan worked at five daily newspapers before becoming an educator and taught at Norfolk State University for 17 years. She was a Fulbright scholar to Bulgaria in 1993-94 and has conducted workshops on public relations and journalism in Eastern Europe. A recipient of the Virginia Public Relations Medallion, Ms. Scanlan is a founding member of the Fulbright Association’s Southeast Virginia Chapter.

Anthony Viscusi

Retired president and CEO of Vasomedical Inc., Anthony Viscusi graduated with distinction from Columbia College and obtained a master’s degree from Columbia University. Mr. Viscusi was a Fulbright scholar at the Institute of History of Sciences of the University of Paris from 1956-58. He taught at Columbia College, Wesleyan University, and Princeton University before joining Merck & Co. Mr. Viscusi retired from Merck in 1993 as senior vice president. In 1994, he joined Vasomedical Inc., which develops, manufactures, and markets medical devices for the non-invasive treatment of cardiovascular diseases.

Fulbright Alumnus Named First Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs

Former Fulbright Association board member David G. Smith, 74, died at his home in Norfolk on Jan. 14. A retired foreign service officer, Mr. Smith had served with the United States Information Agency in India, Africa, and Southeast Asia, as well as in Washington, D.C., and New York City. After retirement from the government, he began his own company, Progeny, specializing in the area of African-American genealogy. A graduate of The City College of New York and Columbia University, he was a Fulbright scholar at the Institut d’Etudes Politiques de the University of Paris in 1962.

John B. Hurford

John B. Hurford, 62, director emeritus of the Fulbright Association, died on April 3 in New York City. An investment adviser, philanthropist, and foreign affairs expert, Mr. Hurford was a managing director at Credit Suisse Asset Management and Warburg Pincus. He began his career at Lazard Frères and in 1969 was a founder of BEA Associates, a predecessor to Crédit Suisse Asset Management. A graduate of Havercord College and the Harvard Business School, Mr. Hurford received two Fulbright grants for study at the University of Delhi, India, beginning in 1965. As a member of the Fulbright Association Board of Directors from 1990 through 1995, Mr. Hurford served in many important roles. He was one of the architects and early supporters of the J. William Fulbright Prize for International Understanding and chaired the board’s Fulbright Prize Committee.

Mr. Hurford was a governor of the Foreign Policy Association, a director of the East-West Institute, and a life member of the Council on Foreign Relations. He was also chairman of the board of managers at Haverford College. Among his other civic activities, he was a board member of the National Endowment for Democracy and a director of the American Council on Germany.

John Hurford is survived by his wife, Hilge, and daughter, Jennifer, of New York City. Memorial contributions may be made to Haverford College, 370 Lancaster Ave., Haverford, PA 19041 or to Southampton Hospital, 240 Meeting House Lane, Southampton, NY 11968.
**Institutional Members**

**GEORGIA**

The University of Georgia's European Center and School of Law hosted a delegation of jurists from the Czech Republic. While in Athens and Atlanta, the Czech delegates observed jury selection and a trial in a state court, visited the Georgia General Assembly, and met with high court justices. The group also visited municipal, magistrate, and juvenile courts and discussed distance education, instructional technology, and continuing education with University of Georgia experts. Officials at the university are working with the Czech judiciary to bring Czech judges for training at Georgia's Institute for Continuing Judicial Education. In addition, the Czech Republic has asked the university to assist in strengthening its own judicial training programs.

**KANSAS**

Lori Ann Mah, a 1999 University of Kansas (KU) graduate, received a Fulbright grant to study reinforced concrete at Chalmers University in Gothenburg, Sweden. Ms. Mah, a civil engineering major, is working with Ralf Tejers, a leading authority in the field. Her advisor, KU engineering Professor Steven L. McCabe, noted, "It's like studying physics and going to work with Einstein." Ms. Mah will compare how Chalmers University and KU test reinforced concrete to establish bond and development criteria for use in writing national building codes. The research is intended to help engineers better utilize data from other countries.

**NEW YORK**

Photographs taken by over 100 German college students made up the exhibition "Port Shots: The Americanization of the German Rustbelt," held at The Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art.

**MINNESOTA**

St. Olaf Professor of Japanese and Asian Studies Phyllis Hyland Larson and her daughter, student Ann-Marie Larson, made college history by being awarded simulaneous Fulbright grants to Japan. Dr. Larson is visiting professor at the Center for International Education at Tokyo's Waseda University, researching the World War II writings of author Tamura Toshiko. Ms. Larson is spending the year taking courses in Japanese and English literature at a university near Tokyo.

**St. Olaf College Fulbrighters Phyllis Hyland Larson and Ann-Marie Larson.**

**Members**

In Bochum, Germany, former visiting Fulbright scholar at Cooper Union, who asked his students to photograph the influence of U.S. culture on their environment. The title of the exhibition reflects the industrial Ruhr region's former identity as Germany's "pot of coal." Associate Professor of American studies Maren Stange (Germany 1996), co-curated the exhibition.

**OHIO**

Students from Wright State University and three other colleges and universities traveled to Chile as part of a joint project, CHILE, begun in 1994 as a partnership between Wright State and Chile's Corporación de Desarrollo y Empresa. Project CHILE provides students with language study in Santiago for one semester, followed by an internship of up to six months with a Chilean firm in Concepcion. The internships are designed to provide students with high-level international management experience. Participants are also required to develop an international trade plan for their host companies.

**OREGON**

The Academy of Educational Development (AED) presented its Innovative and Creative Education Award to the University of Portland (UP), noting the university's focus on entrepreneurship. UP is the global operations center for Students in Free Enterprise, a non-partisan organization for students and professors worldwide. James W. Carland, award selection committee chair, said, "The University of Portland has gone where no university has gone before, and it sets a high example for innovative and creative education to the world."

**VERMONT**

An unprecedented five out of seven Middlebury College students who applied for 1999-2000 Fulbright grants received the award. The recipients are: Julie Crosby (Ghana), David Grass (Chile), Erich Osterberg (New Zealand), Ashley Palmer (Japan), and Kate Stone (Japan). The grants are for work in fields as diverse as rain forest vegetation, marine geology, and rural Japanese health care. Four to eight Middlebury students apply for Fulbright grants each year. This is the first year such a high proportion of applicants was successful.

**WISCONSIN**

An agreement between the University of Wisconsin and the Kunsthistorisches Museum in Bochum, Germany, helped establish a Fulbright branch office at the university to make it easier for American students to enter and study abroad.

**WASHINGTON**

The University of Washington-Vancouver sponsored a series of performances and lectures as part of a major cultural festival exploring Jewish culture, art, and literature in Eastern Europe, the Middle East, and the United States.
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Chapter Events and Activities

The 94th Annual National Western Stock Show in Denver welcomed members of the Colorado Chapter early in the new year. Fulbrighters attended behind-the-scenes tours by members of the Colorado State University Department of Agriculture and Extension Services, which co-hosted the event. Thirty-five visiting Fulbrighters from ten different countries, including Malaysia, South Africa, Trinidad and Tobago, and Romania, attended the event.

At a South Florida Chapter program last fall, visiting Fulbright professor Denis Makanov spoke on "From Communism to Democracy in Russia: Are There Any Lessons for the United States and Cuba?" Later in the fall, members enjoyed the chapter's annual sailing trip on Biscayne Bay and a guided tour of Miami International Airport.

A slide presentation by Peter McClure, professor of marketing at the University of Massachusetts, Boston, was hosted by the Eastern Massachusetts Chapter in January. Professor McClure spoke on "China From East to West: A Fulbrighter's Journey," based on his experiences as a Fulbright lecturer at Shandong University in Jinan.

Continuing a four-year tradition, the Southeast Michigan Chapter marked the beginning of the academic year by welcoming visiting Fulbrighters with a picnic in Gallup Park, Ann Arbor.

The Fall Conference of the Minnesota Chapter was held at the Humphrey Center at the University of Minnesota and featured an address by Bill DeMoff, director of the MINITEX-Library Information Network, on "Resource Sharing and Libraries Across International Borders in Cyberspace." Chapter members then toured a university archival library storage complex.

The Greater New York Chapter and Metro International co-sponsored an open forum entitled "The Fulbright Program in the New Millennium: Exploring the Opportunities and Challenges of Being a Fulbrighter." The event brought together current and former Fulbrighters for an afternoon to share observations on their Fulbright experiences. The forum used a conference management technique known as Open Space Technology, designed to enable groups of diverse people to interact with the aid of a skilled facilitator.

Yaw Oheneba-Sakyi spoke on "The African Family: A Multi-Perspective" for a Northern New York Chapter program in November. Professor Oheneba-Sakyi directs the Africana Studies Program at the State University of New York College at Potsdam.

With support from a Fulbright Program Enrichment grant from the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the Department of State, the Central Oklahoma Chapter organized a "Taste of the West" tour to highlight Western influences on Oklahoma. The day began in Oklahoma City with a tour of the Oklahoma Heritage Center, where storyteller Rodger Harris guided visiting Fulbrighters through the early days of Oklahoma's history. This was followed by lunch on Persimmon Gulf and a guided tour of the National Cowboy Hall of Fame and its new galleries.

Members of the Philadelphia/Delaware Valley Chapter attended an exhibit of Japanese art and rare books at Shandong Province, China. The chapter also welcomed in the year of the dragon in a Chinese New Year celebration at the National Library of Thailand in Philadelphia. The chapter also welcomed in the year of the dragon in a Chinese New Year celebration at the Philadelphia Chinese Cultural Center. The banquet was prepared by master chefs flown in from Shandong Province, China. Funding for both events was
provided through a chapter enrichment grant from the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the Department of State.

The Tennessee Chapter hosted a luncheon in March at Vanderbilt University. Immediate past president John Stewart (Georgia 1995) received a plaque in appreciation of his work on behalf of the chapter.

The Southeast Virginia Chapter had its inaugural reception in October at the University of Virginia Marine Science Museum. The chapter, with cooperation with Virginia Wesleyan College, presented a panel discussion in February on "Fulbright in the New Millennium." The discussion featured Dr. Yosef Tobi, a Fulbright Senior Scholar from Israel. In November, the chapter welcomed visiting Fulbright scholars at a reception at the Hampton Roads Museum in Virginia Beach.

The Western Pennsylvania/West Virginia Chapter held an alumni reception in December at the University of Pittsburgh.

The Wisconsin Chapter held its inaugural reception in October at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Historian and author Arthur Howe gave a talk on "Everything You Need to Know About Wisconsin Culture." Chapter President Mary McEniry (Colombia 1994) reported that more than 60 Fulbrighters and guests attended the event. The event was co-sponsored by the university's International Institute.

Department of State Honors Chapter Volunteers

Fulbright Association chapter members Carol Bender (Japan 1997) and Beverly G. Hawk (Kenya 1993) were among 32 recipients of the Millennium International Volunteer Awards, sponsored by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the Department of State and USA Today. Award recipients were honored at a gala on March 1 at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C. Carol Bender is founding president of the Fulbright Association's Arizona Chapter and director of the undergraduate biology research program at the University of Arizona. In 1992 Ms. Bender founded BRAVO! (Biomedical Research Abroad: Vistas Open!), a program that seeks to involve undergraduates in international scientific research and is actively involved in bringing foreign students and researchers to Arizona.

Beverly Hawk, assistant professor of government and public service at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, created the Fulbright Association chapter in Birmingham. She is immediate past president of the chapter and serves as its secretary. Dr. Hawk is also a volunteer coordinator for the Birmingham Public Schools' after-school enrichment program and has worked to develop their first Model United Nations Program. The volunteer awards celebrate contributions to international educational and cultural exchange by U.S. citizens and permanent residents, give national recognition to their achievements, and educate the U.S. public about the nation's international affairs activities.

Ms. Bender and Dr. Hawk have designated their respective chapters to receive the $50,000 award that accompanies the honor.

Campaign Report

Fund for the 21st Century Nears $1.2 Million Mark

Pledges of more than $1,179,000 had been made for the Fund for the 21st Century, the Fulbright Association's first capital campaign, as of Feb. 28. Of that amount, $70,644 in cash had been received.

"The Fulbright Association is the only organization dedicated to advocating for Fulbright exchanges and to serving current Fulbrighters through alumni action," said Ronald J. Ross, M.D., chairman of the Board of Directors. "The Fulbright Association and its members are the primary source of funding for necessary and favorable policies for Fulbright exchanges." "To reach our goal of $2,000,000 we need the help of all Fulbright alumni and friends," Dr. Ross stressed. "This endowed campaign will allow the Fulbright Association to achieve its goals on behalf of the Fulbright Program and to maintain the fiscal stability necessary to support future work." Frederick G. Ackerman, president of the Fulbright Association, said that an organization with a 23-year history, the Fulbright Association needs an endowment to provide a firm foundation for its programs into the next century and beyond. Mr. Ackerman chaired the campaign drive last year.

Income from the endowment will be used to support the Fulbright Association's work on behalf of Fulbright exchanges and its services to current Fulbrighters and Fulbright alumni. Programs include advocacy, education, and enrichment activities organized by the Association's 35 chapters throughout the country. Within the Fund for the 21st Century, contributions have been designated for the Fulbright Prize and to endow the work of specific chapters. In addition, a major gift from Dr. Selma Jeanne Cohen established the Selma Jeanne Cohen Fund for International Scholarship on Dance.

The Cohen Fund endows an annual lecture on dance scholarship to be delivered at the Association's national conference. The recipient is chosen through a merit-based, competitive process directed by Dr. Cohen. The first winner of the award will present his lecture at the annual conference in Fall 2000.

"We are grateful to the many individuals and organizations who have supported the Fund for the 21st Century. We especially appreciate the committed volunteers who are leading the campaign effort and taking on the many tasks necessary to make such a drive a success," said Jane L. Anderson, executive director of the Association. "Serving with Dr. Ross on the campaign committee are Dr. Stephen G. Viscusi, vice chairman; Mr. Acker, vice chairman for planned giving; R. Fenton-May, vice chairman for corporate giving; Patti Rosenthal, senior associate; Friends of Fulbright; Howard P. Colhoun; Pamela A. Cook; Charles H. Harff; Jay Klain; Richard O. Lusaquist; and Roger Milgrim. Current and former board members of the Association who have pledged 53 percent of campaign commitments received.

Corporate, foundation, and other supporters account for 43 percent of the pledges. The balance is from gifts received in response to the membership mailing after last fall's campaign announcement. Fund for the 21st Century donors through Feb. 28 are listed on pages 10 and 11.

If you have been thinking about making a gift of cash or securities or a planned gift to support the Fund for the 21st Century, your action now would help us reach our ambitious goal of $2 million," said Mr. Anderson.

The form below may be used to designate gifts to the Fund for the 21st Century.
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Global Fulbright

Michael Bryant became the first Fulbright alumnus from Canada elected to public office. Mr. Bryant, who attended Harvard Law School on a Fulbright grant, won a seat in the Ontario Legislative Assembly as a Member of Provincial Parliament for St. Paul’s. He credited his Fulbright experience with helping him to appreciate international politics.

The Bulgarian-American Commission for Educational Exchange held a three-day cultural orientation for visiting Fulbrighters in September. The program included lectures on Bulgarian history, politics, and education; Bulgarian language instruction; and an introduction to Bulgarian folk dancing. Grantees also visited the Batchkovski Monastery in Plovdiv.

The official launch of the Fulbright Alumni Association of Cameroon (FAAC) took place in September. The event, sponsored by the U.S. Embassy and held at the Yaounde Hilton, was attended by Fulbright alumni, senior members of the U.S. mission, including Ambassador John Yates, and representatives from academic institutions, the government of Cameroon, and the private sector. FAAC President S. Yunkap Kwoankam spoke on the association’s history and objectives and noted that of the more than 50 Fulbright alumni associations worldwide, only four are in Africa.

The Finland-U.S. Educational Exchange Commission (Fulbright Center) celebrated the 50th anniversary of the ASLA-Fulbright Program in Helsinki in November when a new scholarship program, the Fulbright Center Grant for a Deaf Applicant, was announced. A concert in honor of the 50th anniversary was hel at the Embassy of Finland in Washington, D.C., during the Fulbright Association’s 22nd Annual Conference in October.

The Commission for Educational and Cultural Exchange Between Italy and the U.S.A. has created the Nicholas Green grant, in memory of the seven-year-old American boy who was killed while visiting Italy with his parents in 1994. The Greens’ decision to donate their

Network

Mohamed Benaiissa (U.S.A. 1964) was appointed Morocco’s minister of foreign affairs and cooperation. He had been Moroccan ambassador to the U.S. from 1993 to 1999 and previously served as minister of cultural affairs. As minister of foreign affairs, Mr. Benaiissa is honorary co-chairman of the Moroccan American Commission for Educational and Cultural Exchange.

Nepali Fulbright alumnus Kail Chandra Gautam (U.S.A. 1968) was named deputy executive director for alliances and resources at the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), where his responsibilities include overseeing UNICEF’s role in global advocacy for children, inter-governmental and UN relations, and resource mobilization. Mr. Gautam has served in various positions with UNICEF since 1973.

The 40th anniversary of the Fulbright Program in Poland was marked by two days of celebrations in Warsaw, organized by the Polish-U.S. Fulbright Commission, the Polish Fulbright Alumni Association, and the U.S. embassy in October. Events on the first day included a meeting with the Polish president; the opening of an exhibition on the Polish Fulbright Program at the New Warsaw University Library; and a reception hosted by the U.S. ambassador. The next day, Andrzej Dukowski, executive director of the Fulbright commission, and Wojciech J. Katner, chairman of the Polish Fulbright Alumni Association, welcomed participants to a forum on “Cooperation in Science and Culture: The Polish-American Perspective,” held at the Royal Castle. The day concluded with a benefit concert by the Penderecki Festival Orchestra and a gala dinner for invited guests.

The Fulbright Building in Seoul, new home to the Korean-American Educational Commission.

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Wesley M. Bagby (Taiwan 1976, China 1982) has written America's International Relations Since 1918. Organized chronologically by presidential administration, the book offers an account of American diplomatic history in the 20th century. Dr. Bagby is professor of history at West Virginia University.

A second edition of the International Dictionary of Broadcasting and Film by Desi K. Bognár (Turkey 1997) was published by Focal Press. The book is a guide to professional filmmaking and broadcasting terminology. This updated, enlarged edition covers advances in digital electronic technology and lists international organizations, festivals, and awards.

The University Press of America has published Technology and Competitiveness in Mexico: An Analysis Despite Antagonism: Business Administration at Mount Union College, Ohio.

Victor D. Cha (South Korea 1991, 1999) is the author of Alignment Despite Anagonism: The United States-Korea-Japan Security Triangle (Stanford University Press, 1999). Covering the period from 1965 to 1998, the book addresses the effects of democratization and the post-Cold War era on the trilateral relationship and discusses the prospects of a united Korea. Dr. Cha, a Fulbright Association life member, is assistant professor in the department of government and School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University.

Into the Ruins, a book of postmodern poetry by Frederic Glaysher (China 1994), was published by Earthrise Press. The book includes poems written by Mr. Glaysher during his Fulbright grant in China. A poet and literary critic, Mr. Glaysher has published more than a dozen reviews, poems, and literary essays.

The Rostov on Don State Pedagogical University in Rostov, Russia, published "Real Audiences for Student Writers of English" by Audrey Perlman Lavin (Spain 1987, 1988). The English-language study deals with the problem of writer and audience in composition classes and suggests the use of critical readers from outside the university. A life member of the Fulbright Association, Dr. Lavin was visiting professor at Rostov State University in 1998.


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The photography of John Clagett (Germany 1996) is on view in a traveling exhibition which began in Boston in August 1999 and will move to Japan and Germany before concluding in Houston in October 2000. The exhibition, “The Coincidence of Opposing Extremes: Mathematically Architectural Planning Principles of the Central European Baroque Church,” results from Mr. Clagett’s Fulbright grant in Munich. He is director of the Center for Ecumenical Research in the Arts and Sciences.

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Exhibitions & Performances

Suzanne Benton (India 1992) curated “Facing East: Masks of the East and Artists Inspired by Them,” an exhibition of 150 masks, featuring traditional and contemporary masks from 11 Asian countries and 10 sculptured masks created by Ms. Benton during her travels in Asia. The exhibition was held at the Hammond Museum in North Salem, N.Y.

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compact disc recordings feature transcriptions of Mozart symphonies by J.N. Hummel and violin and harpsichord sonatas by H.E.F. von Biber.

Lectures & Workshops

Carol Malt (Jordan 1999) lectured on museology and African art at the Darat al Funun, a visual and performing arts center for contemporary art in Amman. While in Jordan, Dr. Malt finalized research on a book about women and museums in the Middle East.


Honors & Appointments

Rosemary Barber-Madden (Brazil 1989) was appointed representative of the United Nations Population Fund in Angola. Dr. Barber-Madden presented papers on population, development, and gender at the Seminar on Gender at the National Assembly of Angola. She is professor emerita of public health at Columbia University.

Grethe Stoa Birkvedt (U.S.A. 1968) received the World Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Biographical Institute (ABI) and was named an ABI Laureate. The institute recognizes individuals who contribute to building better communities through outstanding service. Dr. Birkvedt is visiting professor at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.
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and consists of three classes: comrade, officer, and knight. Dr. Gonnard was inducted into the order as a knight in 1994. He is immediate past president of the Western New York and Northern Pennsylvania Chapter of the Fulbright Association and director of international student affairs at Buffalo State College.

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the president’s budget, Congress passed a budget resolution reflecting its own spending targets and priorities. The congressional budget resolution calls for a total of $289 billion for non-defense discretionary domestic spending, approximately $30 billion less than the president’s budget request.

With the budget resolution passed, the appropriations process begins. Because this is an election year, the legislative calendar will likely be shorter than usual, with members hoping to adjourn on Oct. 6.

Thank you to the many Fulbright alumni and friends who wrote to the president requesting increased funding for Fulbright and other exchange programs in FY 2001. Now is a critical time to write to key appropriators to secure adequate funding for the Fulbright Program.

Please see www.fulbright.org for more information and updates on the FY 2001 appropriations process. Advocacy action alerts are also sent out by e-mail on the Fulbright Association’s listserv. To subscribe, please write to fullbright@fulbright.org.

Fulbright Alumni Initiatives Awards Program

The Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) is inviting recent participants in the Fulbright Scholar Program to apply for grants under the new Fulbright Alumni Initiatives Award Program, designed to help scholars sustain contacts made while they were overseas. Current and former U.S. faculty members and professionals who received CIES-administered Fulbright grants from 1990 to the present are eligible to apply. CIES anticipates that 10 to 20 awards of $1,000 to $20,000 each will be available in the first year of the program. Proposals should demonstrate evidence of commitment on the part of the scholar’s home institution to support the proposed project. A key selection criterion is the long-term sustainability of the project. The deadline for the first round of competition is June 1, 2000. For more information, contact Micaela Iovine, senior program officer (miovine@cies.iie.org, tel. 202-686-6253) or visit the CIES web site at www.iie.org/cies.

Fulbright Distinguished Chairs Program

The Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) is seeking applications for the 2001-2002 Fulbright Distinguished Chairs Program. Grants are available for a number of European countries and Canada and cover a wide variety of disciplines. Candidates must be U.S. citizens with a prominent record of scholarly accomplishment. Lecturing is in English and the length of the awards ranges from three months to an academic year. Preliminary applications are due in May. CIES peer review committees pre-screen applicants in late June. In July a small number of candidates will be invited to complete a formal Fulbright application for further consideration by the host countries, with the final application due Aug. 4. Individuals who recently held Fulbright grants are only eligible after a three-year interval since their last grant.

For additional information, contact Karen Adams, assistant director, Europe/NIS (kadams@cies.iie.org, tel. 202-686-6245) or visit the CIES web site at www.iie.org/cies.