1. Identify which opportunity you are applying to:
   - Does the country you are interested in applying to offer this award?
   - How many of that particular award is being offered by that country?

2. Select your host country and carefully review the program summary and requirements for that country. Ask yourself the questions below:
   - How long is the program?
   - When does the program start in your host country?
   - Does it require a mandatory orientation?
   - Is there a language requirement?
   - Will you need a Foreign Language Evaluation (FLE)?
   - Is dependent support available?
   - Are there other fees associated with your project (Affiliation fees)?

3. Create an application via Slate Application Portal
   - Choose University of California San Diego as your home institution

4. Draft a Statement of Grant Purpose
   - Address the following (refer to the Getting Started document for details on each section):
     - What research will you be doing?
     - Why is your research important?
     - How will it impact your field?
     - Is it culturally appropriate and feasible in the given time frame?
     - Why do you need to go abroad to do this research?

5. Research and identify potential affiliations in your host country
   - Are they able to serve as an advisor?
   - Can they provide an Affiliation Letter for the application?
   - Make contact and discuss potential collaboration.
   - Consider how the affiliation will facilitate access to resources and how it will contribute to the feasibility of your project.

6. Draft a Personal Statement
   - Show your motivation and commitment to this project
   - Give the bigger picture of who you are
   - Address why you are applying to this Fulbright opportunity
   - How will you be a good ambassador for the U.S. abroad?

7. Consult with experts and ask for feedback
   - Talk to professors, colleagues, other experts in the field of your study project or host country

8. Contact three individuals who will be willing and able to write a letter of recommendation
   - They should be able to speak to your ability to carry out the proposed project.
   - Provide your Statement of Grant Purpose Please note that you are primarily responsible for making sure that your referees submit your letters on time
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9. For Applicants that require a Foreign Language Evaluation (FLE)
   • Contact a foreign language instructor who will complete the FLE form of the application

10. Transcripts
    • Obtain transcripts and upload into the application

11. Email gradadvisor@ucsd.edu stating your intent to apply with cover sheet attached
    • Make sure to sign up and confirm your appointment with the Campus Committee

12. Submit your application by the internal deadline:
    • You MUST submit your application in order to give the Fulbright Program Advisor (Grad Advisor) and other committee members access to your application.
    • If you do not submit your application you will not be given an appointment.
    • Note: when an applicant hits the submit button, the application is NOT submitted to the agency, it is release to the home institution. The Advisor can release the application back to the applicant to make corrections (only until October 4th).

13. Confirm that your letters of recommendation and FLEs have been submitted
    • Letters of recommendations and FLEs must be submitted

14. Attend your meeting with the campus committee
    • Make sure to arrive at least 10 minutes before your appointment and check in with the receptionist.

15. Make revisions, check grammar, and check for completeness
    • Make any necessary revisions based on the feedback from the Campus Interview Committee
    • Check for completeness: make sure everything has been filled in, letters have been submitted, and everything has been uploaded to the correct section

16. Submit your application by the internal deadline:
    • Submit application via Fulbright application portal

17. Save, submit, and contact mailto: gradadvisor@ucsd.edu by final internal deadline
    • Preview the application in Slate
    • Save a copy for your records