



U.S. Embassy Colombo, Sri Lanka 2020-2021 Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program

The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program is a Fulbright program that brings accomplished mid-career professionals with demonstrated leadership potential to the United States for a year of graduate-level non-degree academic coursework and professional development activities. By providing future leaders and policy makers with experience in U.S. society, culture, and professional fields, the program provides a basis for lasting, productive ties between Americans and their professional counterparts overseas. Fellows are selected based upon potential for leadership and commitment to public service.

Program Components:

a. Academic: Humphrey Fellows pursue tailored study programs at participating host institutions, where the freedom from the requirements of a degree program gives each Fellow the flexibility to pursue a self-directed, individualized program. Fellows are assigned to a campus. Approximately 18 campuses have been selected through a competitive process to host Fellows in groups with thematic and subject affinities. Each university is chosen based on institutional resources and the level of support and guidance it offers to the participants. Each campus has a designated faculty coordinator for academic and administrative support. In addition, faculty advisors also assist Fellows in pursuing balanced academic and professional programs. The Humphrey program is classified as a non-degree program by the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS). Humphrey Fellows cannot transfer from non-degree status to degree status under any circumstances.

b. Professional: A Fellow's professional-development plan may include professional visits, conferences, and a professional affiliation (work attachment) which must be at least six weeks in duration. Early in the academic year, each Fellow develops, with assistance from the local campus coordinator and faculty advisors, a plan for professional activities carefully geared to the Fellow's need for relevant, practical professional experiences.

Fields of Study:

Interested applicants can find additional guidance regarding eligibility and fields of study at <https://humphreyfellowship.org/>. Eligible fields include:

Sustainable Development

a. Agricultural and Rural Development



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- b. Economic Development/Finance and Banking
- c. Natural Resources, Environmental Policy, and Climate Change
- d. Urban and Regional Planning

Democratic Institution Building

- a. Communications/Journalism
- b. Law and Human Rights
- c. Public Policy Analysis and Public Administration
- d. Trafficking in Persons Policy and Prevention
- e. Technology Policy and Management
- f. Human Resource Management

Education

- a. Educational Administration, Planning and Policy
- b. Higher Education Administration
- c. Teaching of English as a Foreign Language

Public Health

- a. Public Health Policy and Management
- b. HIV/AIDS Policy and Prevention
- c. Substance Abuse Education, Prevention, and Treatment

Recruitment and Selection:

- Appropriate candidates are mid-career professionals in leadership positions who have a commitment to public service and the potential for professional advancement.
- Prospective Fellows should have a minimum of five years full-time professional experience (prior to August 2020) in the relevant field after completing their university degree, and should be interested in the policy aspects of their fields of specialization.



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- Candidates must have completed a university degree program requiring at least four years of full-time study to qualify for participation in U.S. graduate study programs.
- Candidates should be proficient in both written and spoken English and should normally have a minimum TOEFL score of 525 (paper based) or 71 (internet-based), although exceptionally promising candidates with lower scores may be nominated for the Long-Term English (LTE) training.
- Candidates should have both the need to participate in the program and the potential to benefit from it. Accordingly, they should demonstrate the required experience, skills, and commitment while also indicating how they can benefit from this program in ways that they have not experienced previously and are not likely to experience without the Humphrey Program.
- All selection criteria are listed here: <https://humphreyfellowship.org/am-i-eligible>

Application Process:

- Applicants can access the application at <https://apply.iie.org/huberthumphrey>.
- Email AmericanCenterMaldives@gmail.com to inform that you have applied.
- No paper documents need to be submitted for initial application.

Questions:

Contact AmericanCenterMaldives@gmail.com or WeerasekeraC@state.gov

Closing date for applications is August 1, 2019



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