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Competition for Fulbright Scholarships open

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Competition is now open for 1966-67 U. S. government graduate grants for study or research abroad and for professional training in creative and performing arts, according to Prof. Robert M. Burgess, Fulbright adviser at Montana State University. The deadline for filing applications on campus is Oct. 15, 1965, Dr. Burgess said.

The scholarships enabling more than 800 American graduate students to study in 55 countries are provided by the Fulbright-Hays Act as part of the educational and cultural exchange program of the Department of State. Competitions for the awards are conducted by the Institute of International Education.

Candidates must be U. S. citizens at the time of application, have a bachelor's degree or its equivalent by the beginning date of the grant, and be proficient in the language of the host country, Prof. Burgess said.

Selections are made on the basis of academic and/or professional record, feasibility of the applicant's proposed study plan, and personal qualifications. Preference is given to candidates who have not previously studied abroad and who are under the age of 35.

Three types of grants are available under the Fulbright-Hays Act: U. S. government full grants, joint U. S. government-other government grants, and U. S. government travel-only grants.

Full grants provide tuition, maintenance, round-trip transportation, health and accident insurance and an incidental allowance. In Japan, Nepal, India and the Republic of China, a maintenance allowance will be provided for one or more accompanying dependents. Fifty-one countries, ranging alphabetically from Afghanistan to Venezuela, participate in the full-grants program.

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Joint U. S. - other government grants provide tuition and full or partial maintenance from a foreign government, plus travel costs from the U. S. government. These grants will be available in Poland, Rumania and Yugoslavia.

Travel-only grants supplement maintenance and tuition scholarships granted to American students by universities, private donors and foreign governments. These grants will be available to Austria, Brazil, Denmark, France, Germany, Iceland, Israel, Italy, the Netherlands and Sweden.

Grants are available to a number of Latin American republics in the fields of history, social sciences, political science, law and humanities. Preference for these will be given to single applicants and to applicants who are well informed on the American political and social scene.

India and Italy offer opportunities for teaching assistantships for students interested in teaching English as a foreign language. Also available in Italy are fellowships for university teaching of American language and literature, history, philosophy, law, social work and clinical child psychology.

Details about the program and application forms may be obtained from Dr. Burgess at MSU.