Insights from an Alumni Ambassador

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FULL DATE of presentation (i.e. March 1, 2021)
LOCATION of Campus/Conference (i.e. Towson University)
Jamie Kneitel

- Chair & Professor
- Department of Biological Sciences
- California State University, Sacramento

- Fulbright Scholar (Research/Teaching), 2017-8
- University of Haifa (Israel)
- A Synthesis of Seasonal Wetland Ecology in Mediterranean Climate Regions
Overview

• Why I applied for a Fulbright Scholar Award
• How I approached the application
• What I did on my Fulbright
• Impact of my Fulbright
  - Professional
  - Institutional
  - Personal
• Start your Fulbright Journey
• Additional Fulbright Opportunities
How I Approached the Application

• Discussions with host about collaboration
• Worked with host and department on terms (research and teaching)
• Planned to coincide with my sabbatical leave*
• Took advantage of Regional Travel Grant (Morocco)
Professional Impact

• Expanded perspectives on wetland ecology and conservation

• International collaborations

• Published 4 papers & gave conference and community talks

• Used research and cultural examples in classes
Personal Impact

• Transformative experience for my family

• Expanded our understanding of new cultures

• Enriched by relationships
Start your Fulbright Journey

- Visit cies.org and the Catalog of Awards, awards.cies.org
- Register your interest to receive newsletters
- Attend a webinar
- Make contacts abroad for an invitation letter or to gauge interest
- Contact alumni in the Scholar Directory
- Start your application!

Competition Opens: February 1
Application Deadline: September 15
Start your Fulbright Journey

• Fulbright Specialist Program
• Fulbright International Education Administrator Awards
• Fulbright Distinguished Scholars Program
• Scholars Program (specific programs): Arctic Initiative, Public Policy, etc

• Host a Fulbright Scholar from abroad!
Institutional Opportunities

**Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence (S-I-R) Program**
Host scholars from other countries to teach for a semester or an academic year

Website: [cies.org/sir](http://cies.org/sir)
Email: [SIR@iie.org](mailto:SIR@iie.org)

**Fulbright Outreach Lecturing Fund (OLF)**
Host current Fulbright Visiting Scholars for short-term lectureships of 2 – 6 days on discipline or cultural topics to internationalize the campus

Website: [cies.org/olf](http://cies.org/olf)
Email: [OLF@iie.org](mailto:OLF@iie.org)

**Fulbright Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) Program**
Host native speaking language teaching assistants to enhance students’ understanding of different languages and cultures

Website: [foreign.fulbrightonline.org](http://foreign.fulbrightonline.org)
Email: [Dcook@iie.org](mailto:Dcook@iie.org)
Connect with Fulbright at cies.org

Email us at scholars@iie.org

Visit our website to learn more about the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

Refer your colleagues
Next steps...

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Reach out for:

- Discussing next steps
- Proposal examples
- Proposal review
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