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Front cover—Fulbright Award Recipients (from left to right): Kira Bulazel, 2001 U.S. Postgraduate; Duong Le Quy, 2002 Australian Postgraduate; Scott Kinmont, 2002 Australian Postgraduate (Visual and Performing Arts Award sponsored by Anthony Joseph Pratt); Timothy Ringsmuth, 2001 U.S. Postgraduate; and Kristofer Helgen, 2001 U.S. Postgraduate.

The Founder of the Program

James William Fulbright was the founder of the Fulbright program. Born on 9 April 1905 in Sumner, Missouri he was educated at the University of Arkansas where he was awarded a B.A. degree in Political Science in 1925. He then attended Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar where he received an M.A. degree.

When Fulbright returned to the United States, he studied law at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. During the 1930s, he served in the Justice Department and was an instructor at the George Washington University Law School. In 1936 he returned to Arkansas where he was a lecturer in law and, from 1939 to 1941, president of the University of Arkansas, at the time the youngest university president in the country.

He entered politics in 1942 and was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives, entering Congress in January 1943 and becoming a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee. In September of that year the House adopted the Fulbright Resolution supporting what became the United Nations, and this brought national attention to Fulbright.

In November 1944 he was elected to the U.S. Senate and served there from 1945 through 1974 becoming one of the most influential and best-known members of the Senate. His legislation, which established the Fulbright Program, passed through the Senate in 1946 funded by war reparations and foreign loan repayments to the



James William Fulbright

United States. This program has had extraordinary impact around the world and now exists between the United States and 140 countries.

In 1949 Fulbright became a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. From 1959–74 he served as chairman, the longest serving chairman of that committee in history. After leaving the Senate, he was of counsel to a Washington law firm and remained active in support of the international exchange program that bears his name.

He received numerous awards from governments, universities, and educational organisations around the world for his efforts on behalf of education and international understanding. In 1993 he was presented the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Clinton.

Senator J. William Fulbright died on 9 February 1995 at the age of 89 at his home in Washington, D.C.

History of the Australian-American Fulbright Commission

The Fulbright exchange program between Australia and the United States began in 1949 under the auspices of the United States Educational Foundation in Australia (USEFA). The program was funded to the value of US\$5,600,000, from U.S. Government credits acquired in Australia from the sale of surplus war materials. The early years of the Fulbright program in Australia were thus wholly U.S.-funded.

In 1963, when it was seen that the funds originally provided would soon be exhausted, the Australian and United States Governments entered a new agreement which established the Australian-American Educational Foundation as the successor to USEFA, to be funded equally by the two parties. Today the organisation is known as the Australian-American Fulbright Commission and funding is provided by the Australian and U.S. Governments and a variety of sponsors.

The Fulbright Commission is governed by a Board of Directors composed of five Australians

appointed annually by the Minister for Education, Science and Training under the delegated authority of the Prime Minister, and five Americans appointed by the American Ambassador. The Prime Minister and the Ambassador serve as joint honorary chairpersons of the Commission with the Board electing a chairperson each year amongst its members. State and national selection committees, comprising government, business and academic representatives, Fulbright Alumni and Commission Board members, meet each year to select Australian and U.S. Fulbright Award Recipients. The Fulbright Commission office is based in Canberra and administered by an Executive Director and five staff.

The Mission of the Fulbright Commission is to further mutual understanding between the peoples of Australia and the United States through educational and cultural exchange. This is primarily achieved through the administering of Fulbright scholarships to support research and study of Australians in the United States and Americans in Australia each year. The Fulbright Commission also provides educational advising services and assistance to Australian institutions and individuals interested in study or institutional linkages in the United States.



The Hon John Howard, MP



Ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer

"Fulbright Scholarships are keenly sought worldwide and you will be joining a distinguished group of people who are either leaders in their field or, through their ability, potential leaders of the future".

The Hon John Howard
Prime Minister of Australia

The Board Report

In 2002, the Fulbright Commission Board focused on exploring ways in which the profile of the Fulbright Award Program can be increased in the wider business and community arena. Two special events assisted this goal and were the highlights for the Fulbright Commission in 2002.

The National Awards Dinner for Australian Award recipients at the Great Hall in Parliament House on 23 May was a tremendous occasion. Twenty five distinguished Australian postgraduates, professionals, postdoctoral fellows and senior scholars were recognised and over 220 people attended the dinner including sponsors, university representatives, Board members and distinguished Fulbright Alumni. Guest speakers for the evening were The Hon. Peter McGauran, Minister for Science and Mr Michael Owens, Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Embassy Canberra. As Mr Owens stated, "I can think of no place that is more fitting to recognise the accomplishments of these Australian Fulbright Scholars than here in the Great Hall of Parliament House".

On 22 August the Fulbright Commission and NSW Premier Bob Carr had the pleasure of co-hosting a luncheon in Sydney for Mrs Harriet Fulbright, widow of the late Senator Fulbright. Distinguished guests included Fulbright Commission Board members, Fulbright Alumni, education, government and business representatives. Mrs Fulbright last visited Australia for the Fulbright Commission's 50th Anniversary in 1999, when she presented Premier Carr with the Fulbright 50th Anniversary Distinguished Fellow Award in recognition of his significant contribution to Australia-U.S. relations.

Premier Carr generously donated his \$50,000 Fulbright Award to create five American History Awards for NSW secondary school history teachers to visit the United States. Through the Premier's initiative, corporate sponsorship has ensured that these five Awards will continue to be offered each year for the next three years. Similar Awards have also been established for secondary school teachers



(from left to right) Emeritus Professor Mal Nairn, Chair Australian-American Fulbright Commission; Mrs Harriet Fulbright; and NSW Premier the Hon. Bob Carr at the 22 August luncheon in Sydney.

in Science and Literature/Drama. "The Fulbright vision has been clearly demonstrated through the establishment and growth of these Awards", stated one of the History Award recipients.

There were a number of changes to the membership of the Commission Board during 2002 and we thank each member for their contribution. Mr Duncan MacInnes, Cultural Affairs Officer, U.S. Embassy Canberra, returned to Washington D.C. to take up a position with the U.S. Department of State; Mr David Lyon, U.S. Consul General, Melbourne, has taken up the post of U.S. Ambassador to Fiji; Mr Peter Shannon, previous Assistant Secretary of the Americas Branch, is now with the International Security Division, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade; and Mr Michael Gallagher has moved positions within the Department of Education Science & Training from Group Manager, Higher Education, to Group Manager, International Branch. Mr Stephen Brand retired from the Board to focus on his position as President of Phillips Petroleum Company Australia Pty Ltd.

The Board was pleased to welcome new members Mrs Susan Crystal, Public Affairs Officer, U.S. Embassy, Canberra; Mr David Hopper, U.S. Consul General, Melbourne; Mr Bill Burmester, Group Manager, Higher Education, Department of Education, Science & Training; Mrs Paula Latos-Valier, General Manager, Biennale of Sydney; and Dr Brendon Hammer,

Assistant Secretary, America's Branch,
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

During the year the Board was pleased to welcome Judith Gamble to the position of Program Manager at the Commission. Judith brings a wide range of experience from her previous position as Program Manager in the Scholarships and Fellowships Training Unit at IDP Education Australia. Our previous Program Manager, Priscilla Wadham moved to IDP to take up the position of developing study abroad programs.

Two new members of the Advisory Board have also been welcomed during 2002 — Fulbright Alumni Rob McLean, previous National Manager of McKinsey & Co. Australia and current Director of WM Capital and Paul Fletcher, Director of Corporate and Regulatory Services, SingTel Optus. The Commission Board welcomes these new members to the Advisory Board and looks forward to working with them during 2003.

Two interstate Board meetings were held during 2002. On 22 August, the Board met in Sydney and this provided the opportunity for its members to mix with the supporters and sponsors who attended the luncheon for Harriet Fulbright. Board members then visited the University of Sydney, University of New South Wales and University of Technology, Sydney. In November, the Board visited Adelaide where members attended a reception hosted by the University of Adelaide and the South Australian Fulbright Alumni Association. The Board also visited Flinders University and the University of South Australia. These interstate visits have become an important opportunity for Board members to appreciate the initiatives and unique work of Australian universities and, in turn, provide the universities with updated information on the Fulbright Program. Both visits in 2002 also provided the Board with the

opportunity to thank State Selection Committees members, State Selection Secretaries and their supporting universities.

U.S. Ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer generously hosted two Fulbright receptions during 2002 at his beautiful residence at the U.S. Embassy Canberra. It was a pleasure for the Board to join with the Ambassador at a reception for visiting U.S. Fulbrighters during their Enrichment Seminar in February and again with the Fulbright Alumni Association in September. The Fulbright Commission and Fulbright (Alumni) Association thanked Ambassador Schieffer for his ongoing support and involvement in the Fulbright Program.

The Hon. Dr Brendan Nelson, Minister for Education, Science & Training hosted the U.S. Fulbrighters to a morning tea at Parliament House during their Enrichment Seminar in February. The Fulbrighters greatly appreciated the quite lengthy interaction they had with Dr Nelson on their Fulbright programs and higher education in Australia.

On behalf of the Board, our thanks to sponsors and supporters of the Fulbright Program and congratulations to the Fulbright Commission staff for their hard work and contributions in making 2002 such a productive and positive year. I shall be retiring from the Board after the 2003 February meeting. My five year association with the Fulbright Commission has been immensely satisfying and I have greatly appreciated the personal support received not only from Board members but also from all of the dedicated, highly competent and cheerful Commission staff under the visionary leadership of Mark Darby. The future of the Fulbright Program is both exciting and secure.

Chair
Emeritus Professor Mal Nairn

"Many of us in public life occasionally wonder how history will view our contribution to our country, what our legacy will be? In the case of J. William Fulbright his legacy is a living, breathing fraternity of educated young people promoting tolerance and understanding. For a program that first passed through the United States Senate in 1945, it remains as relevant today as it was in the years following the Second World War."

Peter McGauran

The Hon. Peter McGauran, Minister for Science, in his speech to Fulbright grantees and distinguished guests at the annual Fulbright National Awards Dinner held at Parliament House in May 2002



Executive Director's Report

2002 was a very special, busy and productive year at the Australian–American Fulbright Commission. It was a great honour for Fulbright Commission staff and Fulbrighters to meet and talk to Harriet Fulbright during her visit to Australia in August. She is an inspiration and wonderful advocate for the Fulbright Program throughout the world and we appreciated the time she spent with us.

During her visit Mrs Fulbright was a guest of Margaret Throsby's classic FM radio show in Sydney and through a one hour interview shared her very special insight into the Fulbright Program, Senator Fulbright and her own distinguished life.

As guest of honour at the Sydney luncheon hosted by Premier Bob Carr and the Fulbright Commission, Mrs Fulbright spoke on the events of September 11 2001 and its implications for international educational exchange. In noting the changes within the United States and the world since September 11, Mrs Fulbright stated that people are convinced that Senator Fulbright had the right idea when he said, "In our quest for world peace the alteration of attitudes is no less important, and perhaps more important, than the resolution of issues. It is in the minds of men, after all, that wars are spawned; to act upon the human mind, regardless of the issue or occasion for doing so, is to act upon the source of conflict and the potential source of redemption and reconciliation' ".

She said, "Senator Fulbright was convinced that we can and must use our minds and hearts, developed through education with an international component, to find the most effective alternatives to conflict for the benefit of all nations. Let us hope that his ideas are remembered as we struggle toward peace".

It was at the September 11 memorial service in the Great Hall in Parliament House, Canberra in 2001 that the Fulbright staff committed to gather there in 2002 in celebration. The 2002 Fulbright National Awards Dinner at the Great Hall was indeed a celebration and my thanks to the Fulbright Commission staff for all their hard work in making it such a success and establishing the Great Hall in Parliament House as the ongoing venue for this wonderful ceremony.



(from left to right) Mrs Judy Freudenberger, U.S. Educational Adviser; Mrs Jennifer Fowler, Finance Manager; Ms Judith Gamble, Program Manager; Ms Melinda Hunt, Executive Assistant; Mrs Sandra Lambert, Administrative Officer; and Mr Mark Darby, Executive Director.

Events

The Fulbright Commission and Program were greatly assisted by the implementation of a wide range of events held during the year. Thank you on behalf of the Fulbright Commission to the Australian and U.S. Government representatives, universities and sponsors that hosted or assisted in their implementation.



Julian Thompson, 1999 Fulbright Postgraduate Award recipient, with U.S. Ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer at the 19 September U.S. Embassy function.

- 26–28 February — U.S. Fulbrighter Enrichment Program, Canberra
- 11 April—U.S. Consulate, Melbourne—Victorian Fulbright Award winners were hosted to a function sponsored by the Victorian WorkCover Authority.
- 18 May—U.S. Consul General, Sydney—NSW Fulbright award winners were hosted to a function in the home of Ms Eileen Malloy, U.S. Consul General, Sydney;
- 9 May—University of NSW—a luncheon was hosted by the university to congratulate one staff member and four graduates who won Fulbright Awards in 2002. The university also hosted three U.S. Fulbrighters during the year. Guests of honour included U.S. Consul General, Eileen Malloy and Fulbright Commission Board members;
- 23 May—Fulbright Orientation Program, Canberra;
- 23 May—National Awards Dinner, Canberra;
- 24 May—State Secretaries Seminar—to thank the Fulbright Honorary State Secretaries who coordinate the selection process in each state;
- 24 May—Australian Fulbright (Alumni) Association—Annual General Meeting;
- 19 September—Alumni Reception, U.S. Embassy Canberra—hosted by U.S. Ambassador Thomas Schieffer to recognise and congratulate the Association and its members for their support of the Fulbright Program;
- 23 October—Welcome Function in Los Angeles—hosted by Australian Consul General, Allan Rocher. It recognised Australian Fulbrighters studying at UCLA, the LA Film School and UC, Irvine and involved representatives from these institutions and U.S. Alumni;
- 6 November—Welcome Function in New York City—hosted by the Australian Deputy Ambassador to the United Nations, Australian Fulbrighters and U.S. Fulbright Alumni were welcomed to the Australian Consulate in NYC. Australian Fulbrighter, Sonya Lee, currently studying at Peabody Conservatorium of Music, John Hopkins University gave a musical performance;
- 21 November—University of Adelaide—reception hosted by the University of Adelaide to welcome the Fulbright Commission Board to Adelaide.

“ I can say ‘I have lived in Australia’. Though this is a simple phrase it summarises appropriately how I have spent my time. Not just to have visited Australia, but to have lived here is a privilege... The nature of the Fulbright is such that it opened doors I never knew were there”.

Kira Bulazel



A 2001 U.S. Postgraduate Student, Kira has been based at both Macquarie University, Sydney and the Australian National University, Canberra studying the molecular evolutionary genetics of Macropodidae (family of kangaroos and wallabies).

Staff

The Commission welcomed Judith Gamble as Program Manager in May. Previously Program Manager of the Scholarships and Fellowships Training Unit at IDP Education Australia, Jude has coordinated a wide range of international scholarships including the Department of Defence, South East Asia Defence Personnel Scholarships; Australian–Europe Scholarship; the Australia–Asia Scholarship; the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan and the Frank Knox Memorial Scholarship to Harvard University.

Jude has a Bachelor of Communications in Public Relations from the University of Canberra and a Diploma in Graphic Design. Already her skills have been widely used as she has refined the administration of the program and added to the marketing plans and actions. Previous Program Manager, Priscilla Wadham left to take up a position with IDP Education Australia developing their study abroad service and we wish her well.

During 2002 the Commission's U.S. Educational Information Officer, Judy Freudenberger was nominated by her fellow advisors and took on the position as Country Coordinator for the Team Australia group of U.S. Educational Advisors around Australia. This cooperative effort has not only resulted in benefits for the U.S. Educational Advising Centres in Australia but a closer liaison between the Fulbright Commission and Educational Advisers to better assist potential Fulbright applicants.

Sponsorship

The Fulbright Commission maintained a sound financial position and scholarship program, due to the ongoing support of the Australian and U.S. Governments, in-kind support of Australian and



U.S. Consul General, Sydney, Ms Eileen Malloy (second from left) with Professor John Ingleson, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International), (centre) and the 2002 Australian Fulbright Award Recipients from The University of New South Wales.

U.S. universities, and committed sponsors. BHP Billiton confirmed their support for the Fulbright Postgraduate Award in Science & Engineering for a further three years. Established in 2000 the Fulbright BHP Billiton Award is now recognised as a unique opportunity for leading science and engineering graduates throughout Australia.

The Fulbright Business/Industry (Coral Sea) Award was advertised for the first time in 2002. The Award is supported by an endowment fund established in 1992 by U.S. Ambassador to Australia, Mel Sembler, and a group of corporate sponsors to recognise the 50th anniversary of the Battle of the Coral Sea. Originally administered by the Commission as an independent Award it has now been integrated as a recognised Fulbright Professional Award.

Alumni

The Commission is pleased to welcome Mr Greg Hunt MP, Federal Member for Flinders as the newly elected National President of the Australian Fulbright (Alumni) Association. Previous President Christa Davies has moved to London and we are grateful for her contribution over the past year.

"This (the American Studies Institute) was a great opportunity to increase my understanding of the constitutional and rights system in the U.S., from both an historical and a legal perspective. It will vastly enhance my ability to teach my comparative constitutional rights course... The quality of this education could not be gleaned from text book learning".

Julie Debeljak



A lecturer in Law at Monash University who attended the 2001 American Studies Institute "Reform in American History and Law" at Boston College, Massachusetts.



(from left to right) Emeritus Professor Mal Nairn; 2001 U.S. Fulbrighter Kristofer Helgen; 2000 Australian Fulbrighter Sam Mickan; and Pro Vice-Chancellor (International) The University of Adelaide, Professor Ian Young at the 21 November function hosted by The University of Adelaide.

The Future

Developing a wider public profile and building on the Fulbright network will be the focus for 2003. All Fulbrighters now have media profiles developed for them to assist in sharing their story with their professional and local communities. The Fulbright Commission will also be working with a public relations company in 2003 to profile the unique quality of the Fulbright grantees throughout Australia.

To support effective networking amongst Fulbright Alumni in Australia and the United States, we plan to establish an on-line database for Fulbright Alumni in 2003. This will allow Fulbright Alumni to search and make contact with other Fulbright Alumni in their professional field, institution or region. It will also provide an effective way for Fulbrighters as leaders in their field to network with other leaders in Australia or the United States.

My thanks to the Fulbright Commission staff for their enthusiasm and commitment over the past year. They have developed a wide range of initiatives and systems that have greatly improved the Fulbright Commission and its operation. Thank you also to the Board members who left during the year and gave so much of their time to the Fulbright Commission and Program in Australia. A special thanks to Mal Nairn who is leaving the Board in 2003 after five years. He has been a great advocate of the Fulbright Commission and Program and contributed substantially to its development during this period. We thank him for his enthusiasm, commitment and hard work as Chair of both the Fulbright Commission Board and the National Selection Committee and wish him well.

Fulbright Program

The promotion, selection and administration of the annual Fulbright Awards is the primary activity of the Australian–American Fulbright Commission. In 2002, the Commission awarded 22 Fulbright Awards to Americans (15 Postgraduate Students and 7 Senior Scholars) and 25 to Australians (15 Postgraduates, two Senior Scholars, two Postdoctoral Fellows and six Professionals). A range of new Fulbright Awards were also continued, or established as pilot programs during 2002.

New Fulbright Awards

U.S. Senior Specialist Program

During 2002 the U.S. Senior Specialist Program was piloted in Australia. The Program supports Australian institutions in hosting two-to-six week visits of U.S. Specialists to Australia. Fulbright Senior Specialist activities are designed to encourage Australian educational institutions to collaborate with United States faculty and professionals on curriculum and faculty development, institutional planning and a variety of other activities. Six U.S. Senior Specialists were selected to visit Australia in 2002. They came from a wide range of academic fields and U.S. universities and visited a variety of Australian institutions, government agencies and departments during their Program (see the list of recipients under 2002 U.S. Fulbrighters).

American Studies Institutes

The Institutes are six-week U.S. Programs for international academics who teach some aspect of American Studies. Established as a Fulbright Award in 2001, these Awards have provided opportunities for Australian academics in the fields of constitutional law, literature and history to expand their teaching programs of comparison and assessment of American Studies.

“The Fulbright Program has helped me to turn many long-time dreams into realities and many curiosities into experiences — a remarkable gift for which I am extremely grateful.

Kristofer Helgen



2001 U.S. Postgraduate Student who undertook studies in systematic mammalogy towards the completion of a PhD at the University of Adelaide, the South Australian Museum and the Australian Museum.



U.S. Ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer with the 2002 U.S. Fulbright Award Recipients at the 2002 Enrichment Seminar, Canberra.

New Century Scholar Program

In 2002 Dr Gabriele Bammer from the Australian National University was the first Australian selected for the distinguished Fulbright New Century Scholar Program. Established in 2001, the Program brings together the leading researchers in the world to focus on a global issue. The 2002 Program focused on “The Challenges of Health in a Borderless World” and resulted in Dr Bammer spending six months at Harvard University and attending three seminars with other international New Century Scholar participants.

We are excited that Dr David Brown, Associate Professor in the School of Politics and International Studies at Murdoch University has been selected as one of the 17 international participants for the 2003 Program focusing on “Addressing Sectarian, Ethnic and Cultural Conflict Within and Across National Borders”.

Enrichment Program

For the second consecutive year, two distinctive events were successfully held in 2002 to meet the Commission's aim of enriching the Fulbright experience.

U.S. Enrichment Seminar 21–22 February

The U.S. Enrichment Seminar in Canberra is an excellent opportunity for U.S. Fulbrighters to meet each other, build professional contacts, be recognised as a group and experience Australia's national capital.

Activities during their visit included a formal reception at the U.S. Embassy hosted by Ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer; a cocktail evening hosted by the ACT Government, and Deputy Chief Minister, Mr Ted Quinlan; and a morning tea and a tour of Parliament House hosted by the Federal Minister for Education, Science and Training, The Hon. Dr Brendan Nelson. Once again the Program was a success and greatly appreciated by all U.S. Fulbrighters.

Orientation Program and National Awards Dinner 23 May

The second National Orientation Program for Australian Fulbrighters in Canberra provided recipients with the opportunity to meet other current Australian and U.S. Fulbrighters and

members of the Australian Fulbright (Alumni) Association. The Orientation Program provided a background on the Fulbright Program, addressed recipients' questions relating to Fulbright administration and assisted them in preparing for, and gaining the most from, their Fulbright experience.

The National Awards Dinner was held for the first time at the Great Hall in Parliament House, adding to the overall prestige of the Fulbright Awards. The Australian Fulbrighters received their Fulbright pin and a certificate from guest speakers Mr Michael Owens, Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Embassy and The Hon. Peter McGauran, Minister for Science. Ms Anthea Roberts (Fulbright Postgraduate WG Walker Award winner) and Mr Gary Johns (Fulbright DFAT Professional Award recipient) gave a vote of thanks to the Australian and U.S. Governments, sponsors, selectors and the Australian–American Fulbright Commission for their support of the Fulbright Awards.

State Secretaries also combined the National Dinner with their annual Seminar in Canberra. Their commitment and support in coordinating the regional selection process for the Postgraduate Student and Postdoctoral Fellow Awards is greatly appreciated.



The 2002 Australian Fulbright Award recipients at the National Awards Dinner, Parliament House, Canberra

U.S. Senior Scholar Forum

With the support of the U.S. Embassy Office of Public Affairs, the Fulbright Commission held a one-day forum on Wednesday 9 October that brought four U.S. Senior Scholars to Canberra to network with Australian Government agencies and U.S. Embassy representatives. This allowed for interaction beyond the Fulbright Scholars' regular research network and provided a very useful networking opportunity.

Participating Senior Scholars included Professor James Salzman, American University; Associate Professor David Koppenhaver, Gustavas Adolphus College; Professor Stanley Bach, U.S. Library of Congress; and Professor Prasad Gogineni, University of Kansas.

Fulbright Selection 2002–03

Competition for Australian and American Fulbright Awards for 2002–03 remained strong with high quality applications across a wide range of fields. Australians were able to apply in Postgraduate Student, Postdoctoral Fellow, Professional or Senior Scholar categories, while U.S. applicants applied for Postgraduate Student and Senior Scholar Awards.

Australian State Selection Committees met in late September, or early October, to assess and interview applicants, and offers for 2003 Australian Fulbright Awards were made in December.

The Commission extends its thanks to the State Selection Secretaries and Selection Committee members for their invaluable contribution to the selection process and Fulbright program. It was a pleasure to have them attend the National Awards Dinner and meet with the Fulbrighters they helped select.

Applications for the 2002–2003 U.S. Fulbright Awards were the highest for many years with 137 Postgraduates competing for 14 awards and 54 Senior Scholars applications for five awards. The quality of applications has remained very strong with a regular number of U.S. applicants also now choosing Australia due to study abroad experiences or institutional links. Offers for the 2003 U.S. Fulbright Awards will be made in February.

Educational Advising

Following the establishment of the Australian–American Fulbright Commission in 1949, an ad hoc information service responded to a regular flow of unsolicited inquiries about the U.S. education system. In 1975, funding was allocated for the development of a more comprehensive and authoritative U.S. educational information service and a staff member was appointed to carry out this function. Educational advising has now been an integral part of the Commission for 27 years.

In 2002, the five U.S. Department of State affiliated U.S. Educational Advising Centres in Australia (located in Canberra, Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth) united to form “Team Australia”. The goal is to make the centres’ combined services more efficient and effective across Australia, though the sharing of resources, knowledge, and skills. The Fulbright Commission’s Educational Adviser has become the first Country Coordinator for U.S. educational advising activities in Australia. During 2002 Team Australia created and published its first joint advising brochure, participated in new outreach opportunities, conducted its first digital video conference and launched its first joint Australia-wide website (<http://usembassy-australia.state.gov/education>).

The Commission’s Educational Adviser fulfils speaking engagements, provides “distance advising” through telephone and e-mail and conducts individual appointments in Canberra. The majority of inquiries handled relate to undergraduate and graduate study options, financial assistance for U.S. study and admissions tests. In addition to inquiries from potential students, a variety of requests for assistance with all types of education-related topics are made by both individuals and representatives from a range of organisations, educational institutions and government departments.

The Educational Adviser maintains an excellent collection of U.S. educational reference



U.S. Educational Adviser, Judy Freudenberger, (left) providing information about U.S. educational opportunities to Kate Johnston.

books at the Fulbright Commission office, which is open to the public Monday through Friday, 9am–5pm. A selection of resource materials is also provided to university libraries in Adelaide, Darwin, Hobart and Townsville.

In 2001, a USAInfo listserv was initiated to keep university staff informed about U.S. graduate level educational opportunities and issues such as scholarships, standardised testing required for entry to the U.S. institutions, U.S. study information fairs, orientation programs or events, etc. This has proved very popular and it is planned to establish a similar listserv service in 2003 featuring U.S. undergraduate study opportunities and issues, primarily for secondary school staff and students.

Supporters and Sponsors

The primary funding for the Fulbright Program in Australia continues to come from the United States and Australian Governments. The U.S. Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and the Fulbright Scholarship Board (appointed by the U.S. President) oversee the Fulbright Program internationally on behalf of the U.S. Government. In Australia, funding is provided through the Department of Science, Education and Training and we also work closely with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

This core funding is complemented by support from a range of other institutions and sponsors.

Universities

Australian and American universities were visited throughout 2002. They were thanked for their support of Fulbright students and scholars and encouraged to build or enhance their international links through the Fulbright Program. Presentations were made to a wide range of university faculty and postgraduate students in April. Board members and the Executive Director conducted visits to Sydney-based universities during August and all South Australian universities in November. The Executive Director also met with faculty and students at UCLA, Duke University, North Carolina University and North Carolina State University.

Australian Universities

Australian universities continued to provide outstanding support for the Fulbright program by supporting fee waivers for American Postgraduate Fulbrighters and the State-based selection process for Australian Postgraduate and Postdoctoral Fellow Fulbright Awards.

Eighteen U.S. Postgraduates attended Australian universities in 2002. Fifteen were carrying out research, with three enrolled in higher degree programs. Australian universities continue to

have more institutional links with American universities than any other country in the world. The United States also now sends a large number of exchange students to Australia, primarily on study abroad programs.



2002 Fulbright State Selection Secretaries (from left) Anne Witt; Carolyn Woodmass; Iliana Findikakis; Gabrielle Fuller; and Allison Vandertang.

The universities representing the Fulbright program in each State are the University of Tasmania, Monash University, The University of Sydney, Murdoch University, The University of Adelaide and Griffith University.

State Selection Secretaries include: Rhonda Ewart, University of Tasmania; Iliana Findikakis, Monash University; Gabrielle Fuller, The University of Sydney; Allison Vandertang, Murdoch University; Anne Witt, The University of Adelaide; and Carolyn Woodmass, Griffith University.

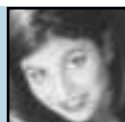
United States universities

There were 14 Australian Fulbright Postgraduates studying at U.S. universities in 2002. Two were conducting research and twelve enrolled in course work for which they received varying degrees of funding from their host institution, primarily on a merit basis, either in the form of tuition fee waivers or financial-aid. This in-kind support from American universities totalled US\$258,209 (\$A444,450). The more popular U.S. universities for Australian Fulbrighters have been Columbia, Harvard, New York University, UC Berkley, UCLA, Stanford and Yale.

“My project commenced a new collaboration between the research team at University of California, Irvine and ours at Monash University as it intertwined the chemistry research in both laboratories.”

Rita Harika

2001 Australian BHP Science and Engineering Postgraduate Award recipient who undertook research in Lanthanide Chemistry at the University of California, Irvine.



Sponsors

Sponsors continued their strong association with the Fulbright program in 2002. The first Fulbright Professional Award in U.S–Australian Alliance Studies sponsored by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade was awarded in 2002 and the new Fulbright Business/Industry (Coral Sea) Professional Award was established and advertised for 2003.

Fulbright Award Sponsors in 2002:

Australian National Training Authority (ANTA)



ANTA is an Australian Government statutory authority that provides a national focus for vocational education and training (VET). They have sponsored a Fulbright Professional

Award in VET since 1995. Through its sponsorship of this Award, ANTA has welcomed the opportunity to support research in current vocational education and training policy and practice, so that this newly gained knowledge can be disseminated to the broader Vocational Education and Training (VET) community.



Dr Robert Niven (left), 2002 Fulbright Professional Award recipient and Lecturer at the School of Civil Engineering, Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA), The University of New South Wales (UNSW), with Professor Robert King, Rector, ADFA, UNSW.



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC)

ATSIC is an independent statutory authority established by the Australian Government to provide a national policy-making and service delivery agency for Indigenous people. ATSIC has supported a Fulbright Postgraduate Award since 1993. At the launch of the Award, Miss Lois O’Donoghue, Chairperson of ATSIC at that time, said, “For many years Australian women and men have benefited by being recipients of a Fulbright. I am delighted that the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission has agreed to sponsor a Fulbright scholarship”. Since then, six worthy candidates have been identified to receive this prestigious Award.



(from left to right) Minister for Science, the Hon. Peter McGauran MP; 2002 ATSIC Fulbright Postgraduate Award winner Mr Garry Jones; ATSIC Education Portfolio Commissioner, Mr Eric Wynne.



AT Kearney is an international management consulting and executive search firm established in Chicago and now with an Australian base of over 200 staff. They established the Fulbright Postgraduate Award in Business Administration in 2001. “We employ the best and the brightest from business schools around the world”, stated the Managing Director for Australia/New Zealand, Robert Nason. “A.T. Kearney thus shares the ideals of the Fulbright program and is proud to sponsor this Award and promote excellence in the field of Business Administration.”



BHP, one of Australia's oldest and largest resource companies established a Fulbright Postgraduate scholarship in Engineering and Science award in 2000. BHP merged with mining company Billiton in 2001 to form BHP Billiton. "We are proud to sponsor a Fulbrighter and to participate in this excellent scholarship program", said Dr Joe Herbertson, Manager of BHP laboratories, Newcastle. The BHP Billiton Award winner also has the opportunity to spend time with the R & D sections of BHP Billiton in Australia and the United States during their scholarship tenure.



Clough is a diversified public company providing project development service to leading international clients in oil and gas, petrochemicals, mining and minerals, infrastructure, manufacturing and property industries. The Chairman, Harold Clough, was a Fulbright Postgraduate in Mechanical Engineering at the University of California, Berkeley, "a time I recall as particularly enjoyable and rewarding". Clough have sponsored an annual Fulbright Postgraduate Award in Engineering since 1994.



Dr Jan Herrington (centre), 2002 Australian Fulbright Professional Award recipient with Professor Barry Harper, Dean of Education, University of Wollongong and Mrs Brigit Harper.

Coral Sea 50th Anniversary Endowment Fund

The Coral Sea Endowment Fund was originally established in 1992 by the Coral Sea Commemorative Council to recognise the 50th anniversary of the Battle of the Coral Sea. The Award fund was supported by donations by Ambassador Mel Sembler (Former U.S. Ambassador to Australia) and a group of companies including Mallesons Stephen Jaques, South Corp Brewing Holdings Ltd, The Gandel Charitable Trust, BHP, Arthur Anderson, Coles Myer and Coca-Cola Amatil.

"The Fulbright Award has enabled me to experience another culture, to walk in the footsteps, the shadows of my Indigenous cousins of the Pacific. It has been an experience that will no doubt become a lifetime affair of learning and appreciating the political and social standpoint of another Indigenous group. I thank the Australian Fulbright Commission for this opportunity.

Dennis Foley



2001 Australian ATSIC Postgraduate Award recipient who completed part of his PhD at the University of Hawaii researching the intrinsic and environmental motivators and social inhibitors affecting Native Hawaiian entrepreneurship and small business.



To recognise the 50th Anniversary of the ANZUS Treaty during 2001, the Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs, The Hon. Alexander Downer announced the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's support for a new Fulbright Award in Australian– U.S. Alliance Studies. This Award will be offered in 2002, 2003 and 2004 and encourages new and active research and discussion on Australia–U.S. issues.

Anthony Joseph Pratt

The Fulbright Postgraduate Award in the Visual and Performing Arts has been established and supported by Anthony Joseph Pratt since 1996. It has provided the opportunity for many young distinguished Australia artists and musicians to study in unique institutions throughout America.

Martin C and Faye Cousens Carroll Travelling Fellowships

The Lois Roth Endowment, in conjunction with the Commission, jointly funds The Martin C. and Faye Cousens Carroll Travelling Fellowships. The Fellowships provide up to \$A1,500 travel grants for U.S. Fulbright Postgraduate research-oriented students to extend their work over a wider geographic base in Australia. The 2002 recipient is Mytoan Nguyen who is researching the history of Australia's Vietnamese community in light of immigration and adoption of a multiculturalism policy.

VICTORIAN WORKCOVER AUTHORITY

Victorian WorkCover Authority—Tim Matthews Award

In 1996, the Board of the Victorian WorkCover Authority (with the Fulbright Commission) initiated the Fulbright Tim Matthew's Memorial Postgraduate Student Award in Statistics, Actuarial Studies and Econometrics, to honour the memory of Dr Tim Matthews, Principle Statistician with the Authority.

"The Victorian WorkCover Authority is proud to be involved with the Fulbright Program", stated Professor Bob Officer, then Chair of the Victorian Workcover Authority. "It is important to us at WorkCover that Tim's exceptional contribution be honoured in a tangible way. The Fulbright epitomises the pursuit of academic excellence, the promotion of mutual understanding through cultural exchange and open handed sponsorship. We are convinced that Australia will be richer for the opportunities afforded these young scholars. It should be noted that WorkCover also benefits from this Award by developing personal ties to a stream of Australian professionals and to the institutions and professional communities in the United States. WorkCover is delighted to foster this kind of knowledge network".



(from left to right) Mr David Lyon, past U.S. Consul-General Melbourne; Joanna Haddock, recipient of the 2002 Fulbright Postgraduate Victorian WorkCover Authority–Tim Matthews Award; and Mr Bill Mountford, Chief Executive Officer Victorian WorkCover Authority.

2002 Australian Fulbright Award Recipients

Professional Awards

Professional Awards open to all fields of study

Dr Victoria Brazil

Princess Alexandra Hospital, Brisbane

Field of study: Medicine

Host institution: Stanford University, Medicine Center

Award period: Up to four months from March 2003

Purpose of Award: Participate in the Stanford Emergency Medicine International Visiting Scholar Program—an observational program providing training in education, research, clinical and administrative aspects of emergency medicine.

Dr Jan Herrington

Edith Cowan University

Field of study: Educational Technology

Host institution: The University of Georgia

Award period: Up to four months from August 2002

Purpose of Award: Undertake research into the use of authentic activities as a model for the development of online learning units in higher education.

Associate Professor Peter Leggat

James Cook University, School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine

Field of study: Medical Education and International Health

Host institutions: Michigan State University, Center for International Health, and the Civil Aerospace Medicine Institute, Oklahoma

Award period: Up to four months

Purpose of Award: Research and develop linkages and leadership skills in medical education and international health with special reference to rural and remote and indigenous health.

Dr Robert Niven

Australian Defence Force Academy, UNSW

Field of study: Civil and Environmental Engineering (contaminated soil remediation)

Host institutions: Clarkson University, Rice University and Colorado School of Mines

Award period: Up to four months from January 2003

Purpose of Award: Conduct research on oil-contaminated soils by scaling-up microscopic processes to the macroscopic level.

Professional Award in Australian–United States Alliance Studies sponsored by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Dr Gary Johns

Institute of Public Affairs, Brisbane

Field of study: Public Affairs

Host institution: Georgetown University

Award period: Up to six months from September 2002

Purpose of Award: Research and lecture on Non-Government Organisation (NGO) legitimacy in democratic systems, focussing on how NGOs should be regarded and what standing they should be granted.

Professional Award in Vocational Education and Training sponsored by The Australian National Training Authority

Ms Jenny Dodd

Canberra Institute of Technology

Field of study: Human Resource Management

Host institution: Northwestern University

Award period: Up to three months from June 2003

Purpose of Award: Develop knowledge and skills in techniques for creating strategic alliances and effective national knowledge management, in collaboration with the Australian Vocational Education and Training sector, to form better partnerships and develop effective Alumni associations.

Senior Scholar Awards

Professor Warwick Britton

The University of Sydney and Royal Prince Alfred Hospital

Field of study: Immunology/Infectious Disease

Host institution: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease

Award period: Up to 12 months from October 2002

Purpose of Award: Undertake research into how the immune system responds during tuberculosis and leprosy infection, with the aim of developing more effective vaccines and therapies for these diseases.

Ms Kim Rubenstein

The University of Melbourne

Field of study: Constitutional and administrative law

Host institution: Georgetown University

Award period: Up to six months from July 2002

Purpose of Award: Undertake research as a visiting scholar on the project title "International citizenship and nationalism: citizenship, nationality and international law".

Postdoctoral Awards

Dr Rebecca Anderson

Flinders University

Field of study: Neuroscience

Host institution: Columbia University

Award period: Up to 12 months from August 2002

Purpose of Award: Undertake research using state-of-the-art techniques to investigate cellular mechanisms involved in the transmission of information from peripheral neurons that detect noxious stimuli to neurons in the spinal cord.

Dr Margaret Harris

University of Newcastle

Field of study: Public Health

Host institution: The University of Hawaii

Award period: Up to four months from September 2002

Purpose of Award: Attend specialised classes in cancer-risk communication to at-risk patients and be involved in a large cancer prevention trial at the University of Hawaii's Cancer Research Center.

"Fulbright gives us the obligation to do the best we can"

I was reflecting on Peter McGauran's remarks about subtlety of Australians and if I could in a most subtle Australian way say, 'What an incredibly bright bunch of buggers we have here tonight'. It a privilege for me to be amongst them and in this place, because I have been to some fairly remarkable events here, but none so remarkable as tonight.

Present tonight are scholars who are incredibly bright and committed people. The notion of achievement for me has always been to make a contribution, to what I am not sure, but just to be part of things, to have your say. And each of us I think have been willing to have our say about lots of aspects of life, public and private, scientific and artistic during our short or long careers. Fulbright will allow us to recommence or continue our commitment to our work. I believe Fulbright gives us the obligation to do the best we can in our time in the U.S. to build relations and deepen and improve our understanding and knowledge and then apply it and try to make this a better place. "This", being the U.S., Australia and the world.

Each of us in our own little way tries to make a contribution. For the Fulbright Commission, the notion that these two countries should have a relationship with each other I think is incredibly powerful, inasmuch as it is bringing very powerful and committed people together for a time. It obligates us to stay together hereafter as a sort of family and to meet from time to time to discuss those things that we have done. So I feel very privileged to be here among each of the other Awardees and I would like to thank all of those that work hard in the Fulbright Commission and I look forward to meeting my U.S. hosts later this year and learning a great deal from them. Thank you.



Dr Gary Johns, recipient of the 2002 Fulbright Professional Award in Australian-U.S. Alliance Studies speaking at the 2002 National Awards Dinner

Postgraduate Awards

Postgraduate Awards open to all fields of study

Mr Nehal Bhuta

The University of Melbourne

Field of study: Law/Political Science

Host institution: New School University, New York

Award period: Up to three years from June 2002

Purpose of Award: Complete a Master of Arts in political science with course work in social theory and economics, with the potential to continue to the PhD program.

Mr Simon Blewett

University of Adelaide

Field of study: Law

Host institution: New York University

Award period: Up to three years from September 2002

Purpose of Award: Undertake a Masters of Law in labor and employment law at New York University incorporating an analysis of Australian and international workplace bargaining systems.

Mr Ben Heraghty

University of New South Wales

Field of study: Political Science/Law

Host institution: Harvard University

Award period: Up to three years from July 2002

Purpose of Award: Undertake a Master of Public Policy at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, examining legislative instruments designed to increase citizen participation in Western democracies and also developments in community-based public policy programs in the U.S.

Mr Duong Le Quy

University of New South Wales

Field of study: Performing Arts

Host institution: Los Angeles Film School

Award period: Up to three years from August 2002

Purpose of visit: Undertake a postgraduate degree in film-making, studying the elements of film-making including editing, directing, story development, production design, cinematography, sound producing and practical components.

“The Fulbright will broaden our horizons and provide us with opportunities that we have not yet even imagined”

On behalf of the Postgraduates who have received Fulbright Awards this year I would like to thank the Fulbright Commission and its staff for the wonderful opportunity they have given to us. I believe that no matter how enriching we think this experience is going to be, the Fulbright will broaden our horizons and provide us with opportunities that we have not yet even imagined.

I have been asked to give a brief outline of what I will be doing with my Fulbright Scholarship. My particular area of interest is international law. I first studied international law at Oxford University and then returned to the Australian National University to do my thesis under Professor Hillary Charlesworth. That was really my first link with the Fulbright organisation, because Professor Charlesworth was herself a Fulbright Scholar at Harvard University and she encouraged me to apply for this program. I am now going off to New York University which is a vibrant centre for the study of international law. But mine is just one story out of the many stories you will hear a little bit about tonight. When I look around the room I see an incredible depth of talent but also an incredible diversity. I think it is wonderful that Fulbright can recognise these dedicated young individuals from across so many fields. We all feel very grateful and thank the Fulbright Commission for this tremendous opportunity.



Anthea Roberts, recipient of the 2002 Fulbright WG Walker Postgraduate Student Award speaking at the 2002 National Awards Dinner

Mr Filip Radlinski

The Australian National University
Field of study: Computer Science
Host institution: Cornell University
Award period: Up to five years from August 2002
Purpose of Award: Complete a PhD in computer science focussing on machine learning and artificial intelligence.

Ms Rebecca Sheehan

The University of New South Wales
Field of study: Gender, Film and Australian and United States History
Host institution: University of California, Los Angeles
Award period: Up to 12 months from July 2002
Purpose of Award: To conduct research on womens' film history towards a PhD at the University of California, Los Angeles

Mr Kieran Tranter

University of Notre Dame, WA
Field of study: Law
Host institution: New School University, New York
Award period: Up to three years from June 2003
Purpose of Award: Conduct research into the topic of technology, humanity and law towards a PhD in Sociology.

Mr Tony Wong

University of Technology, Sydney
Field of study: Law and Accounting
Host institution: Columbia University
Award period: Up to 12 months from August 2002
Purpose of Award: Undertake a Masters of Law focussing on environmental law and policy.

WG Walker Memorial Award sponsored by the Australian Fulbright Association

Ms Anthea Roberts

The Australian National University
Field of study: International Law
Host institution: New York University
Award period: Up to three years from August 2002
Purpose of Award: To undertake a Masters of Law in international law.

Visual and Performing Arts Award sponsored by Anthony Joseph Pratt

Mr Scott Kinmont

The Sydney Symphony Orchestra and Sydney Conservatorium
Field of study: Musical Performance
Host institution: Northwestern University, School of Music
Award period: Up to three years from September 2002
Purpose of Award: Complete a Masters of Music Performance and Pedagogy and undertake private tuition with members of Chicago Symphony and New York Philharmonic Orchestras.

“...my research activities during the Fulbright Program have involved me in close collaboration with scientists not only in the USA but also in countries as diverse as Brazil, Canada, Italy and Japan. These contacts involved deep discussion of scientific issues and they also provided an opportunity for a broader insight and understanding of my colleagues' cultures and countries.

Professor Stephen Buckman

2000 Australian Fulbright Senior Scholar Award recipient who undertook experimental studies of positron interactions with atoms and molecules at the University of California, San Diego.





Ms Melissa Rowe, recipient of the 2002 Australian Fulbright Science and Engineering Award sponsored by BHP Billiton.

Science and Engineering Award sponsored by BHP Billiton

Ms Melissa Rowe

Macquarie University

Field of study: Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

Host institution: The University of Chicago

Award period: Up to five years from January 2003

Purpose of Award: Undertake a PhD program focusing on the evolutionary mechanisms of millipede fauna.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Award sponsored by ATSIC

Mr Garry Jones

The Australian National University

Field of study: Visual Arts

Host institution: University of New Mexico

Award period: Up to 12 months from March 2003

Purpose of Award: Undertake independent research in developments in contemporary Native American visual arts and community development.

Engineering Award sponsored by Clough Limited

Ms Nyrie Palmer

The University of New South Wales

Field of study: Engineering/Public Policy

Host institution: Princeton University

Award period: Up to five years from July 2002

Purpose of Award: Undertake research towards a PhD in e-commerce waste tracking systems.

Statistics and Related Disciplines Award sponsored by Victorian WorkCover Authority

Ms Joanna Haddock

The University of New South Wales

Field of study: Economics

Host institution: Yale University

Award period: Up to five years from August 2002

Purpose of Award: Undertake course work and research towards a PhD in Economics.

New Century Scholars Award

Established in 2001, the New Century Scholars Program brings together leading international researchers to focus on a particular global issue. Dr David Brown, Associate Professor in the School of Politics and International Studies at Murdoch University has been selected as one of the 17 international participants for the 2003 Program.

Dr David Brown

Murdoch University

Host institutions: University of Wisconsin—Madison and Stanford University

2003 New Century Scholars Global Theme:

“Addressing Sectarian, Ethnic and Cultural Conflict Within and Across National Borders”.

American Studies Institutes

These six-week programs of lectures, seminars and field trips are for international academics who teach an aspect of American Studies. In 2002, Dr Joy McEntee was selected to participate in the Program.

Dr Joy McEntee

The University of Adelaide

Host institution: New School University

Award period: Up to six weeks from May 2002

American Studies Institute: “The United States Through Literature: Reading America”

2002 American Fulbright Award Recipients

Senior Scholar Awards

Dr Stanley Bach

U.S. Library of Congress/Yale University
Field of Study: Law/Legislative Studies
Host Institution: The Australian National University
Award Period: Up to six months from October 2002
Purpose of Award: To study legislative bicameralism in Australia and the U.S. in light of similarities and differences in their constitutional, electoral and governmental systems. Conduct collaborative research with Australian scholars at the ANU and through personal observation at Parliament House under the auspices of the Senate Fellowship Program.

Dr Paul Faulstich

Pitzer College
Field of Study: Anthropology/Environmental Studies
Host Institution: The Australian National University
Award Period: Up to six months from March 2003
Purpose of Award: To lecture on ethnoecology and conduct research on the related topic 'The Natural History of Place-Making'.

Dr Silva Prasad Gogineni

University of Kansas
Field of Study: Microwave Remote Sensing
Host Institution: University of Tasmania
Award Period: Up to 4 months from August 2002
Purpose of Award: To design and develop radars to measure snow thickness over sea ice. To help CRC personnel with the development of a radar depth sounder for glacial ice thickness measurements.



Dr Stanley Bach (2002 U.S. Senior Scholar), who presented his lecture "A Delicate Balance—The Accidental Genius of Australian Politics: A View From Washington" at the Senate Occasional Lecture Series on Friday 28 February 2003.

Dr Mark Gordon

Iowa State University
Field of Study: Quantum Chemistry
Host Institution: The Australian National University
Award Period: Up to six months from January 2003
Purpose of Award: To study the application of quantum chemistry methods and to build potential energy surfaces.

Dr David Koppenhaver

Gustavus Adolphus College
Field of Study: Special Education
Host Institution: The University of Queensland
Award Period: Up to six months from July 2003
Purpose of Award: To study instructional supports for middle school teachers and the resulting effects on written language learning outcomes of children with severe disabilities. Also, to teach students in Australia about methods of literacy instruction for children with severe disabilities.

"This experience has been invaluable to me personally — living in another culture and looking at the world from another viewpoint has provided a high level of critique to my artwork. I believe that my time in Australia has helped to further solidify the already dynamic exchange between Australia and America in the glass community".

Timothy Ringsmuth

2001 U.S. Postgraduate Student who has been studying Visual Arts / Glass Sculpture at a post-graduate level at the Canberra School of Art, Australian National University.



Mr James Salzman

American University

Field of Study: International Environmental Law

Host Institution: Macquarie University

Award Period: Up to six months from October 2002

Purpose of Award: To complete a joint appointment with the law and biology departments at Macquarie University to teach a course in international environmental law as well as research the protection and management of ecosystem services in Australia.

Dr Eric Triplett

University of Wisconsin—Madison

Field of Study: Biological Sciences

Host Institution: The Australian National University

Award Period: Up to six months from December 2002

Purpose of Award: To study the biology of bacterial endophytic colonisation of plants and to identify many proteins and genes involved in this process.

Postgraduate Awards

Mr Glenn Almany

Oregon State University

Field of Study: Marine Ecology

Host Institution: James Cook University

Award Period: Up to 12 months from June 2003

Purpose of Award: Conduct a field study to investigate the ecological and behavioural factors associated with fish movements at the Lizard Island Research Station. Analyse long-term ecological data sets from the Great Barrier Reef to determine appropriate management strategies for marine reserves and whether reserves can help rebuild depleted fisheries.

Ms Alison Barton

University of California—Irvine

Field of Study: Public Health/Psychology

Host Institution: Curtin University

Award Period: Up to 12 months from February 2003

Purpose of Award: Assist with the world's largest longitudinal study of ADHD which provides a unique base for future analysis into other spectrums related to juvenile hereditary substance abuse issues.

Ms Carolyn Dong

University of Massachusetts

Field of Study: Molecular Bioscience

Host Institution: University of Queensland

Award Period: Up to 12 months from September 2002

Purpose of Award: To research and examine the potential role of the SOX18 gene in tumour vascularisation and growth.

Ms Jennifer Donley

Pennsylvania State University

Field of Study: Astrophysics

Host Institution: Australian Telescope National Facility

Award Period: Up to 12 months from August 2002

Purpose of Award: To undertake study into the structure of the local supercluster using data from the northern extension of the HI Parkes All Sky survey and follow up newly-identified galaxies with the ATNF's observing facilities.

Mr Kevin Ellett

University of California—Davis/United States Geological Survey

Field of Study: Civil Engineering

Host Institution: The University of Melbourne

Award Period: Up to 12 months from July 2002

Purpose of Award: To undertake doctoral research in expanding the capability of mathematical models to accurately represent hydrologic processes occurring on a large scale and thus improve our ability to manage water resources.

Mr William Harcombe

University of North Carolina
Field of Study: Science—Genetics
Host Institution: La Trobe University
Award Period: Up to 12 months from August 2002
Purpose of Award: To investigate effects that the prevalent bacteria Wolbachia has on climate adaptation in its hosts.

Ms Anne Heintz

University of Arizona
Field of Study: Arts—Theatre Arts
Host Institution: Victoria College of the Arts
Award Period: Up to 12 months from September 2002
Purpose of Award: To obtain a Graduate Diploma of Theatre Directing which focuses on the power of theatre in creating conflict out of blind confusion, then resolving the conflict with action.

Ms Stacy Jupiter

University of California—Santa Cruz
Field of Study: Ecology
Host Institution: The University of Queensland
Award Period: Up to 12 months from February 2003
Purpose of Award: To undertake research towards a PhD using remote sensing and ground-based tools to assess the impact of upstream land use practices on coastal and marine ecosystems.

Ms Marie Kozel

Emory University
Field of Study: Neuroscience
Host Institution: The University of New South Wales
Award Period: Up to 12 months from February 2003
Purpose of Award: To undertake research towards a PhD in Neuroscience, focussing on the potential of olfactory ensheathing cells in an animal model of spinal cord injury.

Ms Rebecca Levit

Dickinson College, Pennsylvania
Field of Study: Biological Science/Metabolism Research
Host Institution: University of Wollongong
Award Period: Up to 12 months from July 2002
Purpose of Award: To complete an Honours Masters (Research) program in biology on investigation of oxygen radicals and their role in ageing and metabolism.



Rebecca Levit, 2002 U.S. Fulbright Postgraduate, who is completing an Honours Masters program in Biology at the University of Wollongong.

Ms Misti Marr

Mississippi State University
Field of Study: Medical Sciences
Host Institution: Monash University
Award Period: Up to 12 months from June 2003
Purpose of Award: To undertake research on Parkinsons Disease through neuroscience, aiming to reestablish the connections through regeneration of neuronal pathways and the implanting of cells to manipulate the regeneration pathway to compensate for those which have been lost though the illness.

Ms Jennifer Marsh

University of California—Los Angeles
Field of Study: International Politics
Host Institution: The University of Melbourne
Award Period: Up to 12 months from February 2003
Purpose of Award: To undertake a Masters in Political Science researching Australia's policy reversal towards Indonesia's occupation of East Timor resulting in the referendum held in August 1999.

Ms Mytoan Nguyen

University of California—Berkeley

Field of Study: Arts/Public Policy

Host Institution: The University of Melbourne

Award Period: Up to 12 months from February 2003

Purpose of Award: To complete a Masters thesis in History and research the history of Australia's Vietnamese community in light of immigration and adoption of a multiculturalism policy.

Ms Samantha Snitow

Tufts University

Field of Study: Communication Studies

Host Institution: RMIT

Award Period: Up to 12 months from July 2002

Purpose of Award: To undertake a Masters in Communication Studies researching drink driving initiatives in the state of Victoria focusing on the TAC advertising campaign currently in place in that State.

Mr Patrick Unemori

University of California—San Francisco

Field of Study: Medicine—HIV Research

Host Institution: The University of New South Wales

Award Period: Up to 12 months from July 2002

Purpose of Award: To explore biochemical pathogenesis of HIV medication-related lipodystrophy.

Mr Bevan Watson

University of Florida

Field of Study: Civil Engineering/Business

Host Institution: University of Sydney

Award Period: Up to 12 months from February 2003

Purpose of Award: To undertake a Masters of International Business researching environmental efforts on natural gas in the petroleum industry.

Mr Marcus Weaver-Hightower

University of Wisconsin—Madison

Field of Study: Education—Curriculum and Instruction

Host Institution: The University of Queensland

Award Period: Up to 12 months from February 2003

Purpose of Award: To research the movements in Australia to formulate policies on the education of boys with a focus on classroom methods and policies adopted by schools to assist both students and teachers.

Mr Erik Zwicker

Princeton University

Field of Study: International Relations

Host Institution: Monash University

Award Period: Up to 12 months from July 2002

Purpose of Award: Working towards a Masters Degree in bioethics at the Centre for Human Bioethics, focussing on the ethical issues surrounding human biotechnology.

My experiences with my Australian colleagues have been everything that I hoped for and more... This collaboration has grown and strengthened and is now an essential part of our professional careers and the friendship and shared studies will continue long past my departure from Australia".

Dr John Leslie

2002 U.S. Senior Scholar who spent eight months at The University of Sydney and the Royal Botanic Gardens developing and teaching a Fusarium Laboratory Workshop and identifying Fusarium fungi from the grasslands of the Kosciuszko and Kadadu National Parks.

Financial Statements

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2002

	2002	2001
INCOME		
Australian Government Funding		558,686
United States Government Funding		1,134,577
Sponsorship		377,600
		<u>2,070,863</u>
Other Sources		91,086
Interest		52,937
Exchange Rate		13,761
		<u>157,784</u>
TOTAL INCOME		<u>2,228,647</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Program Costs		1,436,092
(less program returns)		-72,449
Administration Expenses		354,896
Educational Advisory Service		96,906
Non Program Costs		83,405
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>1,898,850</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		<u>329,797</u>
Accumulated Funds		55,000
Transfer (to) from Reserves		-88,843
Balance for year taken to accumulated fund		<u><u>295,954</u></u>

The summarised accounts are extracted from the Commission's full annual accounts on which the auditors have given an unqualified report.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2002

	2002	2001
ASSETS		
Cash at Bank and in Hand		87,370
Investments		1,438,499
Debtors		422,381
Other Current Assets		14,363
		<u>1,962,613</u>
LIABILITIES		
Provision for Unpaid Program Costs		600,656
Provision for Staff Entitlements		10,396
Creditors		523,504
		<u>1,134,556</u>
		<u>\$828,057</u>
Represented by:		
RESERVES		532,103
ACCUMULATED FUND		295,954
		<u>\$828,057</u>

Fulbright Events



The Hon. Dr Brendan Nelson MP Minister for Education, Science and Training (centre front) with the 2002 U.S. Fulbright Award recipients at the Parliament House reception hosted by Dr Nelson during the February Enrichment Seminar.

(from left to right) 2002 Australian Fulbright Postgraduate Award recipient Rebecca Sheehan; Mr Allan Rocher Consul-General of Australia in Los Angeles; and 2001 Australian Fulbright Postgraduate Award recipient Rita Harika at the 23 October 2002 Welcome Function in Los Angeles.



Professor Gavin Brown (centre), Vice-Chancellor and Principal, University of Sydney, with U.S. and Australian Fulbrighters (from left to right) Professor Warwick Britton, Ms Robyn Pritchard, Mr Scott Kinmont and Professor John Leslie at the morning tea hosted by the Vice-Chancellor for Fulbrighters associated with the University of Sydney.

The Australian Fulbright (Alumni) Association

The Fulbright Association continued to provide valuable support to the Fulbright Commission and Program during 2002.

Mr Greg Hunt MP was elected as the new National Association President. Previous President Christa Davies resigned, as she moved to London. The Fulbright Commission thanks Christa for her contribution and support during her period as President.

Greg Hunt is the Federal member for Flinders (Vic). A Graduate in Arts / Law with a First Class Honours Degree from the University of Melbourne, Greg won a Fulbright Postgraduate Award to Yale in 1992 to complete his Master of International Relations. Prior to his election to parliament, Greg worked as an Associate to the Chief Justice of the Australian Federal Court; Senior Advisor to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Alexander Downer; Chief of the Australian Electoral Observer Mission to Cambodia; Engagement Manager, McKinsey and Co. and Director of Strategy, World Economic Forum, Geneva.

The Fulbright Association's Annual General Meeting was held in Canberra on 24 May, following the National Awards Dinner at the Parliament House in Canberra. State Chapter Chairs reported on Alumni events in their respective States. Membership Secretary Dale Hebbard reported that Alumni membership has increased from previous years and this is reflected in the well-attended functions held during the year. Association members continued to offer hospitality to visiting American Fulbrighters and Alumni through a wide range of functions and dinners.

Association Treasurer, Howard Bradbury, reported that member contributions to the WG Walker Fund had increased over 2002. The WG Walker Scholarship Fund, which carries the name of the Association's foundation President, was established to create a financial base for the annual sponsorship of a Fulbright Postgraduate Scholarship. As a result of the generous support of Alumni the fund is now well established at over \$154,000.

The Fulbright Commission thanks the Australian Fulbright Association Committee members and Alumni for their ongoing support and commitment to the Fulbright Program.



(from left to right) New Australian Fulbright (Alumni) Association National President Greg Hunt MP; Ms Paula Lindsay and U.S. Ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer at the 19 September function hosted by the Ambassador at his U.S. Embassy residence, Canberra.



Mr Angus Tremble (left), retired Secretary of the SA Chapter of the Australian Fulbright (Alumni) Association, with Emeritus Professor Mal Nairn, Chair Australian-American Fulbright Commission.



2002 Australian Fulbright WG Walker Postgraduate Award recipient Anthea Roberts with (from left to right) the Hon. Peter McGauran MP, Minister for Science; Mr Mike Owens, Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Embassy, Canberra; and Emeritus Professor Mal Nairn, Chair, Australian-American Fulbright Commission.

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