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Annual Report

Australian-American Fulbright Commission



Promotion of mutual understanding through educational exchange

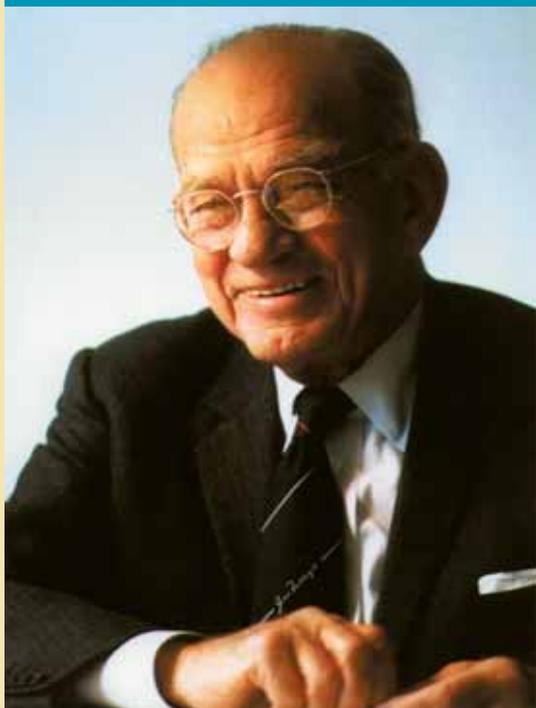


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“The Fulbright Program aims to bring a little more knowledge, a little more reason, and a little more compassion into world affairs and thereby to increase the chance that nations will learn at last to live in peace.”

Senator J. William Fulbright



James William Fulbright, the founder of the Program, was born on April 9, 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, DC. During the 1930's, 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 he was president of the University of Arkansas, the youngest university president in the country, at the time.

In November 1944, he was elected to the U.S. Senate and served through to 1974, becoming one of the most influential and best-known members of the Senate. His legislation to establish the Fulbright Program, funded by war reparations and foreign loan repayments to the United States, was passed through the Senate without debate in 1946.

In 1949 Fulbright became a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. From 1959-1974 he served as Chairman, the longest serving Chairman of the Committee in history. After leaving the Senate in 1974, he became counsel to a Washington law firm but remained active in support of the international exchange program that bears his name.

In 1963 Walter Lippman wrote of Fulbright: "The role he plays in Washington is an indispensable role. There is no one else who is so powerful and also so wise, and if there were any question of removing him from public life, it would be a national calamity".

Fulbright has 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 with the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Clinton.

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

Board Report

Professor Peter Coaldrake
Chair



The past year has been one of growth and development for the Australian-American Fulbright Commission.

Apart from our core role in overseeing the Fulbright scholarship program, the Commission has sought to build the profile of Fulbright activity in Australia. This has been pursued through public profiling of scholars selected to study and research under the program, engagement of Fulbright Alumni through targeted events, and networking with the wider corporate and education community through presentations in regional areas and through the Fulbright-Hays Seminar Abroad program.

A highlight of the year was the Fulbright National Awards Dinner, hosted by the University of New South Wales (UNSW) in their magnificent Scientia. We take this opportunity to thank Professor Mark Wainwright, Vice-Chancellor, UNSW for hosting this event.

We also acknowledge the staff at the Scientia and Fulbright Commission who ran the event and provided technical support for the occasion. Special appreciation is extended, too, to Professor Glyn Davis AC, Vice-Chancellor, University of Melbourne, for his keynote address.

The focus on profiling the Fulbright program has centred on a consistent and refreshed corporate branding. This has been achieved through our publications as well as a new web site. The updated web site seeks to provide extensive content through an intuitive navigation that is not only visually pleasing but also contains detailed information for all visitors, while communicating our commitment to education and the values of the Fulbright Program.

There were several changes in the membership of the Board in 2005. On behalf of the Board, I wish to thank David Benn for his great efforts and enthusiastic commitment as a member of the Board for five years and as Chair of the Board for two years up to February 2005. I also wish to thank Elizabeth Whitelaw for her great service as a Board member over the past five years.

We are very pleased to welcome two new U.S. appointees to the Board – Earl Irving, U.S. Consul General, Melbourne and Tom Pascarella, Director Client Management, Bank of America, Sydney.

The Fulbright Commission gratefully acknowledges the continuing generous support of the U.S. and Australian Governments as well as our corporate, institutional and individual sponsors; Clough Ltd, Telstra Corporation, BHP Billiton and Anthony Joseph Pratt, along with other supporters listed in this report.

Similarly, our national selection committees and state alumni groups again made effective, valuable and much appreciated contributions. I take this opportunity to sincerely thank all those who devote their time and energy to these activities.

On behalf of the Board, I thank Dr Bill Stanton, Chargé d'Affaires a.i., for his commitment to the Fulbright Commission in Australia, particularly through hosting events and actively connecting with U.S. and Australian Scholars.

This year the Commission has welcomed Heather Rietdyk as the first PR/Media Officer at the Commission. Mark Darby and all of the staff have injected renewed enthusiasm into the work of the Commission and achieved another year of proud accomplishments in the Fulbright's mission. The enthusiasm and professionalism of the Commission staff team make a positive difference to all with whom we engage.

Honorary Co-Chairs

The Mission of the Australian-American 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 administration of Fulbright Awards to support research and study of Australians in the United States and Americans in Australia each year.



Prime Minister of Australia,
The Hon John Howard MP



U.S. Chargé d'Affaires, a.i. to
Australia, Dr William A. Stanton

The Fulbright scholarships were established in 1946 by United States Senator J. William Fulbright. His vision was that mutual understanding through international education and exchange would ensure our societies 'find ways and means of living in peace'. It is a vision I consider relevant in light of the current international environment.

The Australian Fulbright Program was established by a treaty in 1949. Since then almost 2,500 Australians and over 1,800 Americans have been awarded prestigious Fulbright scholarships to study, research and travel in Australia and the United States.

The United States is Australia's most important bilateral partner. Both nations share common strategic interests and objectives, for a free and secure world. Our strong economic linkages, which were advanced considerably by the Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement in the beginning of 2005, have helped ensure the United States and Australia continue to build on this already close relationship.

Fulbright scholarships not only advance the bilateral relationship by expanding people-to-people links, they also advance the greater understanding of each country's culture and society. In this context, the vision of Senator Fulbright has been advanced by over 4000 talented Australian and American Fulbright Scholars who have promoted a greater mutual understanding between our two countries.

I congratulate the Fulbright Commission for its achievements in 2005 and welcome the current Scholars as new ambassadors between our two great countries.

International education plays an indispensable role in today's globalised society. From science to the humanities, and from medicine to social policy and international security, transnational collaboration is increasingly important.

For six decades, the Fulbright Program has promoted academic cooperation across all disciplines and has facilitated international understanding through a widely admired U.S. foreign policy initiative of modern times. The program stands as an enduring monument to Senator J. William Fulbright and his vision of academic exchange as a means to better international understanding.

Over the past year, I am pleased to have served with Prime Minister Howard as Honorary Co-Chair of the Fulbright Commission. I have had the privilege of welcoming to Australia an impressive array of U.S. Scholars and farewelling a no less distinguished group of Australians, each committed to better understanding and managing the complex realities of our world. I am pleased with efforts to involve Fulbright Alumni more actively in U.S. Mission programming and thereby help realise their potential to continue contributing to program objectives.

The 60th anniversary of legislation establishing the Fulbright program is cause to reflect in 2006 on how much the world has changed since its enactment in the aftermath of World War II. The hard lessons of that conflict and the purposefulness it inspired in Senator Fulbright remain no less relevant today. I look forward to working closely with the Fulbright Commission during the year ahead to build on its many achievements and work with its counterparts in the region, to champion academic excellence as a force contributing to international good will.

Australian-American Fulbright Commission

The Australian-American Fulbright Commission is governed by a Board of Directors composed of: five Australians appointed annually by the Minister of Education, Science and Training under delegated authority of the Prime Minister of Australia; and five Americans appointed by the U.S. Ambassador to Australia.

The Prime Minister and the Ambassador serve as joint Honorary Co-Chairs of the Commission, while the Board of Directors elects its Chairperson each year from amongst its members. The Fulbright Commission office is based in Canberra and is administered by an Executive Director and four staff.

HONORARY CO-CHAIRS

The Hon John Howard MP	Prime Minister of Australia
Dr William A. Stanton	Chargé d'Affaires ad interim, U.S. Embassy, Canberra

COMMISSION BOARD MEMBERS

AMERICAN MEMBERS

David Benn	Retired Managing Director, Korn/Ferry Australia (Resigned February 2005)
Susan Crystal	Public Affairs Officer, U.S. Embassy, Canberra
David Hopper	U.S. Consul General, Melbourne (Resigned August 2005)
Earl Irving	U.S. Consul General, Melbourne (Joined August 2005)
Paula Latos-Valier	General Manager, Biennale of Sydney
Tom Pascarella	Director, Client Management, Bank of America (Joined August 2005)
Jeff Smith	Chief Executive Officer, Majitek

AUSTRALIAN MEMBERS

Professor Denise Bradley AO	Vice-Chancellor and President, University of South Australia
Bill Burmester	Group Manager, Higher Education, Department of Education, Science and Training (Resigned August 2005)
Professor Peter Coaldrake (Chair)	Vice-Chancellor, Queensland University of Technology
Richard Maude	Assistant Secretary, Americas Branch, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Resigned November 2005)
Colin Walters	Group Manager, Higher Education, Department of Education, Science and Training (Joined August 2005)
Elizabeth Whitelaw	Partner, Minter Ellison Lawyers (Resigned November 2005)

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Paul Fletcher	Director, Corporate and Regulatory Affairs, SingTel Optus Pty Ltd
Professor Ian Goulter	Vice-Chancellor, Charles Sturt University
Professor Paul Kerin	Professional Fellow in Business Strategy, Melbourne Business School
Professor Robert McLean	Dean and Director, Australian Graduate School of Management

COMMISSION STAFF

Mark Darby	Executive Director
Kate Lyall	Administrative Officer
Joanna Monaghan	Finance Manager
Heather Rietdyk	Public Relations/Media Officer
Lyndell Wilson	Program Manager

Executive Director's Report

Mark Darby
Executive Director



In a year that will be remembered for its natural disasters with the Asian Tsunami, Hurricane Katrina and the earthquake in Northern India and Pakistan it was inspiring to witness the support and generosity of the global response, including the Fulbright community.

At an individual level, the Fulbright Alumni supported Australian Fulbright Scholar, Dr Ranjana Srivastava's initiative to fund a new boat for an isolated community in the Maldives; while at a wider level Fulbright Commissions in Korea, Thailand, Indonesia and India acted to assist schools and universities in East Asia, India and Pakistan to re-establish themselves. In these times you appreciate the breadth of the Fulbright network and its world wide impact.

The past year at the Australian-American Fulbright Commission has been very productive. The financial position of the Commission remains strong thanks to the support from the Australian and United States Governments and our sponsors.

Through the support of U.S. Alumni the inaugural Fulbright U.S. Alumni Award was granted in 2005. We look forward to continue working with U.S. Alumni to build this fund and support this Award in perpetuity.

We are excited to have established the Fulbright Australian National University Distinguished Chair in American Political Science with the support of the U.S. Department of State and the Australian National University. While primarily focused on collaborative research, this award will also involve a national speaking tour throughout Australian universities.

Our thanks to the Office of Indigenous Policy Coordination for their support in re-establishing the Fulbright Postgraduate Award for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. This Award has been an important part of the Fulbright Program since 1993 and its alumni now have prominent roles in Indigenous education and leadership programs.

A key initiative in 2005 was the appointment of Heather Rietdyk as the first Public Relations and Media Officer at the Commission. Heather's professional input has guided the development of a new image for the Commission's publications and the National Awards Dinner. A new web site has also been developed and will be officially launched in 2006.

The 2005 Fulbright Symposium on Peace and Human Rights Education, hosted by the Faculty of Law at the University of Melbourne, was a great success with a wide range of American and Australian speakers.

The grant for the Symposium is now valued at A\$30,000. The 2006 Symposium on "Maritime Governance and Security" will be hosted by the School of Government at the University of Tasmania, 28-29th June.

For the first time the Commission, on behalf of the U.S. Department of Education, hosted a Fulbright-Hays Seminar Abroad, bringing sixteen American educators to Australia for a four week program. My thanks to Professor John Higley and the faculty at the Center for Australian and New Zealand Studies at the University of Texas, Austin for providing a wonderful orientation program for the group and Odyssey Travel in Wollongong for developing and coordinating an amazing seminar.

In January the Commission bid farewell to staff member Melinda Hunt, who made a valuable contribution over the past three years. My thanks to all the Commission staff for their hard work and initiative in delivering a great Fulbright Program in Australia during 2005.

Program Report

The Fulbright Program continues to maintain a high quality of Scholars and activities.

FULBRIGHT AWARDS

Two Fulbright Awards were inaugurated in 2005:

Fulbright U.S. Alumni Award – this award is granted to the highest ranked U.S. Postgraduate Scholar to Australia. An annual appeal will seek to grow this fund and establish this award in perpetuity.

Fulbright Postgraduate Award in Technology and Communication sponsored by Telstra – this award was announced and advertised for the first time in 2004.

Two Fulbright Awards were promoted in 2005:

Fulbright Australian National University Distinguished Chair in American Political Science – this award has been established with the support of the Australian National University and the U.S. Department of State. It provides the opportunity for a distinguished U.S. Professor to spend up to five months in Australia developing collaborative research and presenting public lectures throughout Australia. The inaugural Distinguished Chair arrives in August 2006.

Fulbright Postgraduate Award for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders – this award was re-established with the support of the Office of Indigenous Policy Coordination and provides a valued opportunity for leading Indigenous postgraduates.

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES:

We continue to develop a range of professional networking and social events aimed at enriching the Fulbright Scholars experience. In 2005 these events included:

- > U.S. Enrichment Seminar – Two U.S. Enrichment Seminars were held in Canberra during 2005; one for the 2004 U.S. Fulbright Scholars in February and one for the 2005 U.S. Fulbright Scholars in August.
- > U.S. Receptions - Our thanks to Australian Consuls General John Olsen in Los Angeles and Ken Allen in New York for hosting receptions to welcome Australian Fulbright Scholars to the U.S. in September. It was also a pleasure to introduce Australian Ambassador, Dennis Richardson AO, to the Australian Fulbright Scholars.

- > Australian Receptions - Our thanks to Bill Stanton, Chargé d'Affaires a.i., U.S. Embassy, and U.S. Consuls General Earl Irving in Melbourne, Stephen Smith in Sydney, and Robin McLelland in Perth, for their hospitality to Fulbright Scholars in their states.
- > Australian Orientation Program and National Awards Dinner – The orientation for Australian Scholars took place in Sydney on the 19th May. The National Awards Dinner continues to be the premier event for the Fulbright Program in Australia and was hosted by the University of NSW.

FULBRIGHT PROMOTION & SELECTION 2006

Promotion of the 2006 Fulbright Awards was extensive during 2005 with presentations at 28 universities and posters delivered to many universities, professional associations and government agencies.

The primary focus has been presentations at regional and rural universities, along with associated organisations, to educate and expand the knowledge base of the Fulbright Program in Australia.

The Commission has also highlighted the recent changes to the Guidelines for Australian Postgraduate Award (APA) Scholarship holders that allow PhD students to put their APA 'on-hold' while they undertake research, through a Fulbright Award to the U.S., related to their Australian PhD.

The quality of Australian applications remains very high across a wide range of fields and Australia remains a key choice for U.S. Scholars and Postgraduates.

Our thanks to the selection committees and state secretaries for their assistance in selecting an excellent group of talented Fulbright Scholars in 2005.



2005 U.S. Fulbright Scholars; left to right standing: Navin Mahadaven, Christopher McDonald, Per Henningsgaard, Jessica Jarett, Crystal Lui. Left to right seated: Katherine Nesbitt, Elizabeth LaMont, Abbe Smith, Alan Goldstein

AUSTRALIAN FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS 2005

POSTGRADUATE	FIELD OF STUDY	HOST INSTITUTION	FULBRIGHT RESEARCH
Joshua Cantone (BHP Billiton Award)	Civil Engineering	University of Illinois	Undertaking an Engineering Masters in environmental hydraulics and hydrology.
James Cowling (Telstra Award)	Computer Science & Technology	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Undertaking a PhD in Computer Science, (computer networks and communication services)
Leah Curtis	Musical Composition	University of Southern California	Researching screen music and composition towards an Australian Masters Degree.
Sarah Knuckey	Law	Harvard University Law School	Undertaking a Master of Laws (LLM) focusing on jurisprudence, international and human rights law.
Mitchell Lawrence	Biotechnology, Prostate Cancer	Harvard School of Medicine and Northwestern University Chicago	Researching the establishment of more effective biomarkers for prostate cancer, towards an Australian PhD.
Eliza Matthews	History	George Washington University	Researching U.S. nuclear relations with India, Pakistan and Israel, towards an Australian PhD.
David McCann	Law	Columbia University	Undertaking a Master of Laws (LLM) focusing on public law, policy and development studies.
Roland Snooks	Architecture	Columbia University	Undertaking a Masters of Science in Advanced Architecture Design.
Martin Soh (Clough Award)	Electrical Engineering	University of Minnesota	Researching mechanical and optical coatings for infrared sensors, towards an Australian PhD.
Aleksandr Tsiboulski (Pratt Award)	Classical Guitar Performance	University of Austin, Texas	Studying guitar performance and researching the works of Manuel M Ponce, towards an Australian PhD.
Andrew Wroe	Medical Radiation Physics	Loma Linda University Medical Centre	Researching the impact of proton radiation fields at a cellular and DNA level to improve cancer treatment, towards an Australian PhD.
Dr David Ziegler (WG Walker Award)	Medicine	Dana-Faber Cancer Institute, Harvard Medical School	Researching the development of new treatments for childhood cancer.
POSTDOCTORAL	FIELD OF STUDY	HOST INSTITUTION	FULBRIGHT RESEARCH
Dr Lincoln Turner	Experimental Theoretical Physics	National Institute of Standards and Technology	Seeking to measure the Abraham force and thus developments in precision measurement.
SENIOR SCHOLAR	FIELD OF STUDY	HOST INSTITUTION	FULBRIGHT RESEARCH
Prof. Alessandro Frino	Finance	U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission	Researching trading systems and the futures market.
Prof. Mark Walker	Microbiology	University of Tennessee and University of Southern California	Researching vaccines for Group A Streptococcus.
PROFESSIONAL	FIELD OF STUDY	HOST INSTITUTION	FULBRIGHT RESEARCH
Olivia Coldrey (Coral Sea Award)	International Trade and Financial Law	New York University	Research the U.S. Government procurement market and its access to Australia through the free-trade agreement.
Dr Ruth Pec Shian Lim	Medicine, Radiology	New York University	Researching the use of MRI to understand heart disease factors in the diabetic population.
Dr Brendon O'Connor (DFAT Award)	American Politics	Georgetown University	Researching American national interests and perceptions of Australia
Metta Young (VET Award)	Vocational Education and Training	University of Arizona	Researching educational pathways and training for Indigenous people.

A selection of Australian Fulbright Scholars are profiled in this report.

AUSTRALIAN FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS

“ My attendance at conferences and symposia has provided wonderful opportunities to communicate and exchange ideas. ”

MARTIN SOH | Fulbright Clough Postgraduate Scholar



Martin Soh is a first class honours graduate in Electrical Engineering and is currently a doctoral student in Electrical Engineering at the University of Western Australia (UWA) on a CSIRO and Hackett (UWA) Graduate Fellowship.

Martin is undertaking research at the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Minnesota investigating optomechanical coatings for high-power lasers and adaptive optics.

He has established a collaborative arrangement with the aim to resolve the thermal mismatch issues related to mechanical and optical coatings for sensors utilising micro-systems-technology.

“I hope to transfer the knowledge and expertise gained to expand the materials’ knowledge base at CSIRO Industrial Physics and enable progress in the microfabrication of tuneable micro-spectrometer architectures with high packing density and low power consumption at the UWA.”

“My thanks to Harold Clough and Clough Ltd for their support of my Fulbright Award. I’ve been privileged to interact with many people, from ordinary Americans to corporate executives. I have spoken about Australia and my research as part of the Minnesota International Center’s International Classroom Connection program.”

“My most memorable experience is staying at the Munger Inn in Duluth and meeting the extended Munger family. While many would recognize Senator Humphrey and Vice-President Mondale for their contribution to social justice, the Munger family is best known through the late Willard Munger Senior, who served for over four decades as a Minnesota Congressman for his Duluth district. Willard Munger Senior is known by some as the father of Minnesota environmentalism (i.e. “Mr Environment”), sponsoring many State Laws protecting Minnesota’s environment, and bringing Amtrak to Duluth!”

“ It took a while to get used to the spontaneous applause that sometimes erupted on bus tours or at dinners when I mentioned I was a Fulbright Scholar. ”

METTA YOUNG | Fulbright Professional Scholar in Vocational Education and Training



Metta Young is an Impact and Policy Officer with the Centre for Appropriate Technology, a national Indigenous science and technology organisation, based in Alice Springs. She is also a Project Leader for the Desert Knowledge Cooperative Research Centre (DK-CRC).

Her research will assist in establishing partnerships with desert Indigenous peoples and support the innovative educational approach of the Desert Peoples centre. Through her Fulbright Award she studied at the Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy, University of Arizona.

The history of indigenous/non-indigenous relations in the U.S. and Australia has not always been positive and approaches to engineer a fit have diverged significantly. Metta researched “self-determination policies” to gain an alternative perspective on the challenges and struggles of indigenous peoples.

“Despite constitutional, political and cultural differences there is much to be learned by experiencing issues from another perspective.”

“I have established strong connections with the Institute for Social and Economic Research at the University of Alaska Anchorage, the International Arctic Research Center at the University of Alaska Fairbanks and the Alaska First Nations Development Institute and the Udall Center, University of Arizona.

These organisations are keen to develop collaborations with the DK-CRC and the Centre for Appropriate Technology in central Australia to support the innovative educational approach of the Desert People’s centre.”

“I have been incredibly fortunate in meeting with a broad array of people, from tribal leaders, to those working with tribes on environmental, health and education programs.”

AUSTRALIAN FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS

“ At the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, I was given access to very highly confidential data and allowed to execute research on a sample of highly contentious off-market trades. ”

ALEX FRINO | Fulbright Senior Scholar



Professor Alex Frino is Head of Finance in the School of Business, Faculty of Economics at the University of Sydney.

Alex's Fulbright research project focused on the design of electronic futures markets at the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) in Washington, DC.

Working with the CFTC, Alex examined the impact of institutional features of U.S. futures markets, specifically off-market trading and electronic trading and their impact on market behaviour.

"I have created collaborations with the chief economists of the CFTC, senior professors at leading U.S. business schools and senior U.S. academics who will come to work with me in Australia. These connections will allow my PhD students to gain exposure to some very senior researchers and use proprietary databases."

Alex's research suggests that off-market trading creates some inherent conflicts that may impair futures markets, and thus ultimately the allocation of capital which is facilitated by such markets.

"Being in the U.S. gave me the opportunity to conduct seminars at leading business schools including Cornell, Virginia, Georgetown and Memphis."

"During my visits it became clear that the level of research funding in the U.S. significantly dwarfs that of Australian universities. On my return to Australia, I managed to secure \$2 million in seed funding from the Sydney Futures Exchange including \$750,000 for PhD scholarships. This was achieved with the help of the Fulbright network, federal government members and senior business people. It has been a great privilege being a Fulbright Scholar."

“ There are relatively few Australians in the field of nuclear proliferation studies but in the U.S. there is a vibrant community of scholars willing to talk to an Australian for a bit more of an 'outsider's' perspective. ”

ELIZA MATTHEWS | Fulbright Postgraduate Scholar



Eliza Matthews is an Arts graduate with first class honours specialising in history and journalism from the University of Queensland (UQ) and is currently is a PhD student at UQ on an Australian Postgraduate Award.

Eliza is researching the 'efforts to prevent nuclear proliferation towards India, Pakistan and Israel during the Cold War', at the Institute for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies in the Elliott School of International Affairs at the George Washington University, Washington DC.

Changes in U.S. foreign policy following September 11, 2001 have attracted worldwide attention. "Our close alliance with the United States results in a tendency for Australian foreign policy to become 'tarred with the same brush'."

Eliza has accessed restricted documents relating to presidential opinions and nuclear non-proliferation in the U.S. Her study is the only comprehensive examination specifically of the three nations with nuclear weapons who have never signed the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (1968) – NPT.

"I have forged long term relationships with both the institute and several prominent specialists in the field of nuclear issues and warfare."

Eliza would like to see her findings improve the prospects for nuclear non-proliferation and be able to initiate more creative ways to bring these three *sui generis* states into the fold of the NPT.

During her time in the U.S., Eliza has been very fortunate to hear Mohamed ElBaradei, Robert McNamara and prominent scholars speak at the Carnegie Endowment for an International Peace Conference held on Nuclear Non-Proliferation. "The support of the Fulbright program has provided an abundance of opportunities such as this."

“ At Columbia I have developed international networks and collaborations between the emerging generation of experimental architects, which will help maintain Australia’s involvement in this discourse. ”

ROLAND SNOOKS | Fulbright Postgraduate Scholar



Roland Snooks is based at the Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation at Columbia University in New York, as part of a studio based Master of Advanced Architectural Design. His research is based around a theoretical investigation and its experimental application to the generation of architectural and urban forms, using processes from the complex sciences.

Roland is a graduate of Applied Science in Environmental Design from the University of Canberra and Architecture from the RMIT University with first class honours.

Roland is researching the generative and emergent design methodologies as part of a wider development and experimentation in architectural design driven by advances in computation.

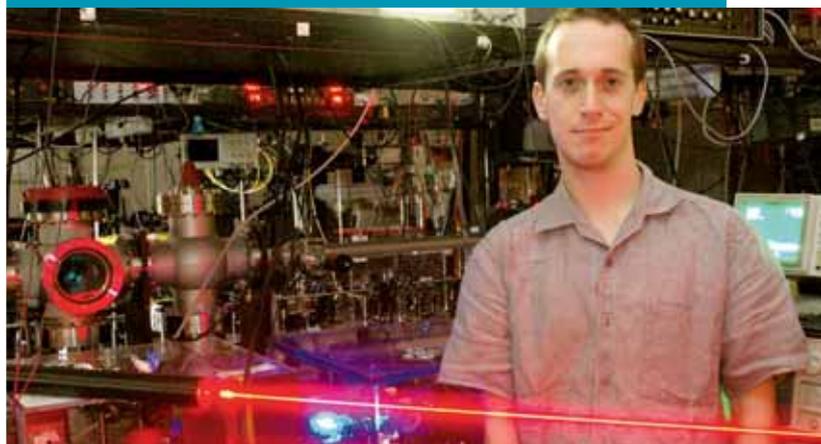
“The work I’m undertaking at Columbia involves the application of artificial intelligence and animation software to digital design processes. My research into the use of genetic algorithms in generative design processes led to a scholarship to attend a workshop and conference on computational architecture in the UK at the end of January, 2006.”

“Although architecture is inherently collaborative, experimental architecture often operates in a distributed or clustered manner, and it is the ability to develop collaborations with students and faculty exploring similar design and research interests which is one of the invaluable opportunities afforded by the Fulbright program.”

“The outcome of my experimental research has benefits at both an academic and practical level for Australia. Through teaching, I will be able to apply the research I’ve undertaken at Columbia into the discourse on generative architecture which is emerging in Australian architecture schools.”

“ NIST is a remarkable and diverse research organisation, but the unique aspect for me is working with the scientists who founded my research area of laser cooling and trapping. ”

LINCOLN TURNER | Fulbright Postdoctoral Scholar



Lincoln Turner is conducting research at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in Maryland attempting to measure the Abraham force, using new forms of ultra-cold matter to answer some long-standing questions in the fundamental physics of how light and materials interact.

Lincoln is a Physics graduate with first class honours and a University Medallist from Flinders University, he also has a PhD from the University of Melbourne.

“My scientific aim is the resolution of the Abraham-Minkowski controversy, by a measurement of the Abraham force.”

Precision measurements are the hidden foundation of modern technology: atomic clocks keep our communications networks synchronised and enable global positioning satellites to guide ships and aircraft to centimetric accuracy. Experiments at the forefront of precision measurement, such as the proposed detection of the Abraham force, are the kernels of future advanced technologies.

“I have been privileged to work with Paul Lett and Bill Phillips, Nobel prize winner, who were instrumental in creating the field of laser cooling. We’re using a recently discovered state of ultra-cold matter, known as a Bose-Einstein condensate. The creation of the first Bose-Einstein condensate in 1995 caused much excitement in the scientific community and resulted in the 2001 Nobel Prize for its discoverers.”

“I’ve always found U.S. politics fascinating, and while living in DC I was fortunate to have a meeting with Congressman Sam Farr in his office after he’d stepped off the floor of the House only moments earlier. Although not scientifically related it was a wonderful opportunity.”

AMERICAN FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS 2005

POSTGRADUATE AWARDS	FIELD OF STUDY	HOST INSTITUTION	FULBRIGHT RESEARCH
Patrick Crosby	Electrical Engineering	University of Melbourne	Researching the improvement of music perception in cochlear implants.
Jeffrey Glick	Economic Development	Australian National University	Undertaking a Masters in International and Development Economics.
Per Henningsgaard	Publishing	University of Western Australia	Researching the opportunities and obstacles of a regional publishing house.
John Howell	Music / Voice	Conservatorium of Music, University of Sydney	Studying classical Australian song literature to compile a bibliography and catalogue of art song, towards an American PhD.
Jessica Jarett	Biology	University of Queensland	Researching the hypothesis that coral bleaching is an adaptive response to environmental change.
Michael Jones	Musical Performance	Conservatorium of Music, University of Sydney	Studying bassoon performance and an outreach program, providing music education in rural areas, towards an American PhD.
Elizabeth LaMont	Biology	University of Newcastle	Investigating hypotheses regarding the possible causes of Meniere's Disease, an inner ear disorder.
Crystal Liu	Public Health	Infertility Treatment Authority / University of Melbourne	Researching Assisted Reproductive Technologies and its regulatory framework and undertaking a Postgraduate Dip in Professional Ethics.
C. Scott Lopez (Alumni Award)	Law	University of Sydney	Undertaking a Masters of Law researching alternative dispute resolution in Native Title claims.
Christopher MacDonald	Physics	University of Sydney	Researching biocompatibility of implants.
Navin Mahadevan	Biology	Monash University	Researching factors related to kidney disease for prospective use of cell-replacement therapy.
Katherine Nesbitt	Law	University of New South Wales	Undertaking a Masters of Law comparing U.S. and Australian legislation of suspected terrorists.
Olutoyin Okanlawon	Public Health	Curtin University	Comparing the Australian media's treatment of sexually transmitted diseases between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.
Brooke Scelza	Anthropology	University of Western Australia	Researching the behaviour of a transnational generation of the aboriginal group, the Mardu, towards an American PhD.
Surya Singh	Mechanical Engineering	University of Western Australia	Undertaking research in robotics design and manufacturing, towards an American PhD.
SENIOR SCHOLAR AWARDS	FIELD OF STUDY	HOST INSTITUTION	FULBRIGHT RESEARCH
Assoc. Prof. Peter Berg	Industrial Relations	University of Sydney	Researching the effect of flexible working time practices on Australian workers.
Assoc. Prof. Allen Goldstein	Environmental Science	CSIRO Melbourne, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT)	Researching unrecognized biogenic volatile organic compounds (BVOCs) in the atmosphere.
Prof. Theodore Cook	History	University of NSW (Australian Defence Force Academy)	Researching the Japanese war with Asia and the West.
Prof. Abbe Smith	Law	University of Melbourne	Researching criminal defence and lawyers' ethics through the representation of 'unpopular clients'.
Assoc. Prof. Jack Judy	Electrical & Biomedical Engineering	University of New South Wales	Researching high-density neuroelectronic brain-computer interfaces.
SENIOR SPECIALISTS	FIELD OF STUDY	HOST INSTITUTION	FULBRIGHT RESEARCH
Prof. Jill Korbin	Anthropology	Charles Darwin University, Australian National University, University of Western Australia	To conduct a comparative analysis on problems associated with Indigenous family violence, suicide and child abuse.
Dr Manley Begay	Public Admin. / Sociology	Curtin University of Technology South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council	Critical reflection and discussion relating to Indigenous governance issues throughout the Indigenous community of SW Western Australia.
Prof. Ira Harkavy	Education	Griffith University, The Australian Consortium of Higher Education, Community Engagement and Social Responsibility	To conceptualise, implement & produce material and plans on community higher education and engagement partnerships.
Prof. Hurst Hannum	Law	University of Melbourne	Engage in academic seminars, faculty strategic planning and policy forums with State and Federal policymakers and judges on human rights and peace education.
Assoc. Prof. Hua-Hua Chang	Education	University of New South Wales, Educational Assessment Australia Curriculum Corporation	Seminars with academics and researchers on psychometrics and educational measurement.
Dr John Becker	Law	University of New England	Advise on the development of a Master of Agricultural Law by coursework.
Prof. Michael Reisch	Social Work	University of Queensland	To review and develop our undergraduate and post-graduate coursework curricula in community development.
Prof. William Andreen	Law	Australian National University	Develop comparative themes for an international symposium on water regulation and law.

A selection of American Fulbright Scholars are profiled in this report.

AMERICAN FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS

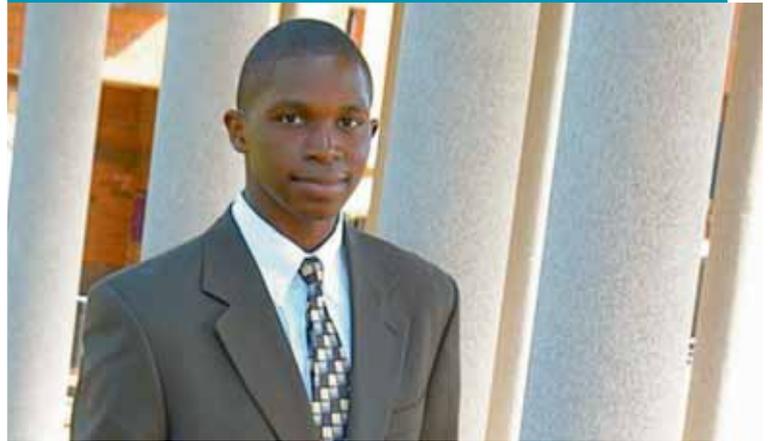
“ I was initially surprised that our Ménière’s project received significant media attention. However, raising the profile of this often overlooked disease, is an important aspect to my work in Australia. ”

ELIZABETH LAMONT | Fulbright Postgraduate Scholar



“ The HIV/AIDS pandemic has proven to be more severe in poverty-stricken, minority communities across the globe. There are many advantages to understanding public health systems that are in place in other countries. ”

OLUTOYIN OKANLAWON | Fulbright Postgraduate Scholar



Elizabeth LaMont is an arts & sciences graduate from Washington University in St. Louis, specialising in Biology. She is studying in the laboratory of Dr. Alan Brichta at the University of Newcastle, investigating the possible causes of Ménière’s disease.

Elizabeth is working with Dr. Brichta and his colleagues, who have created one of the very few vestibular (balance) research centres in the world that record information from the neurons that transmit information regarding balance from the inner ear to the brain.

“Understanding how the inner ear functions under normal conditions will help determine the causes of debilitating inner ear disorders such as Ménière’s disease and allow the development of more effective treatments.”

“Essentially, this research has the potential to help Ménière’s sufferers worldwide and will, at the very least, add to a growing body of knowledge about the inner ear that may ultimately be useful in treating Ménière’s disease or other inner ear disorders.”

There are many Australians suffering from Ménière’s disease, and Liz’s research gives these individuals great hope.

“I hope to continue to raise awareness of Ménière’s so that this will lead to more research and a possible cure.”

“In Australia, I have also enjoyed the many local sailing opportunities on the spectacular Lake Macquarie. I was even tempted to jump on a boat for the famed Sydney to Hobart race but instead explained the intricacies of the balance system to sailing friends, who had joined the race and suffered many hours of seasickness during the Bass Strait crossing.”

Olutoyin (Toyin) Okanlawon is a graduate from Wake Forest University specialising in Biology and is conducting research at Curtin University of Technology to better understand different stakeholders’ views of reporting on general and specific Indigenous health issues in the media.

Given the importance of the media in shaping public opinion, Toyin’s project incorporates not only the importance of disseminating information about Aboriginal health issues, but also the enhancement of lives through education within the media outlets.

“Education through the media is essential for social empowerment and can help promote positive change.”

Toyin will examine the art of using the media effectively in the area of public health, to shape public opinion, galvanize responses, and promote positive intervention practices, relevant to Australia’s Indigenous population.

“I’d like to see the media be more effective in generating awareness and educating the general population and Indigenous communities about sexual health issues without stigmatization or the further marginalization of minority groups.”

“I had a most unique experience when I met and talked to Mr Sonny Pilkington, the son of Doris Pilkington, the famous, inspiring author of Rabbit Proof Fence. It was such an honour and pleasure to talk to him and one of my Aussie Christmas presents was a signed autograph book and card. Such meetings with Indigenous people have helped fuel my passion towards this research.”

AMERICAN FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS

“Through the international exchange of Fulbright we can tackle global environmental problems without politically derived boundaries and flow across the crust of our rotating home through the atmosphere we all share.”

ALLEN GOLDSTEIN | Fulbright Senior Scholar



Professor Allen Goldstein is conducting collaborative research with the CSIRO Marine and Atmospheric Research Division and the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT). Goldstein is a Professor of Biogeochemistry at the University of California, Berkeley and a Harvard graduate.

Allen's research focuses on understanding the chemistry of the Earth's atmosphere.

"The long-term Baseline Air Pollution Station at Cape Grim, Tasmania, provides an exciting long-term opportunity to compare atmospheric Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) concentrations between the northern and southern hemispheres."

Plants are the dominant source of reactive organic compounds to the atmosphere, far larger than human sources. However, in the more industrialized northern hemisphere, the chemistry of the atmosphere is dramatically altered by the plethora of human pollutants.

"Air coming off the Southern Ocean into Australia represents some of the most pristine air on the planet. The biological diversity of Australian flora is quite unique, thus providing a novel environment to study the sources, fate, and influences of plant volatiles in the Earth's atmosphere."

"I participated in the GREENHOUSE 2005: Action on Climate Change conference. The meeting brought together leaders in science, governance, and industry to discuss actions for preparing and adapting to changes in Earth's climate that are already occurring and will continue to occur due to human intervention in our environment.

It was refreshing to discuss how humanity can adapt to these changes, rather than focusing on whether humans are indeed impacting the climate system."

“I have always felt drawn to Australia. I come from a country founded by religious fanatics. Australia was founded by convicts. As a criminal defence attorney, I feel that I am with 'my people' here in Australia.”

ABBE SMITH | Fulbright Senior Scholar



Professor Abbe Smith is studying with the University of Melbourne Law School. Her project is to compare and contrast the adversarial ethic of Australian and American lawyers representing "unpopular clients". Her research focus is on lawyers who represent the criminally accused and convicted, and somewhat unique to Australia – asylum seekers.

Abbe holds a JD in Law from the New York University School of Law and is a Co-Director of the Criminal Justice Clinic and E. Barrett Prettyman Fellowship Program at the Georgetown University Law Centre.

Abbe is examining ethical rules and standards, case law, and scholarly and anecdotal commentary, as well as conducting interviews with criminal defence, prisoners' rights, and asylum/migration rights lawyers from every state and territory in Australia.

"I am interested in the 'cab rank' rule, where barristers must take every case that comes to them. This rule seems to resonate beyond barristers' ethics, and seems to be part of the ethos of law practice."

Abbe will present her research at law schools within Melbourne University, Deakin University and Griffith University, along with Legal Aid offices in the Northern Territory.

"I interviewed Andrew Kirkham about his work on the Chamberlain case and also met with prominent barrister Robert Richter, who represented a recently arrested man, accused of being involved in an Islamic fundamentalist terrorist ring. I also spent several hours with Lex Lasry, the heroic lawyer who represented Nguyen Tuong Van, who was executed in Singapore on December 2, 2005."

“ I was drawn to Australia’s musical history, as a unique and relatively young country, it is still fostering a musical tradition of its own. ”

JOHN HOWELL | Fulbright Postgraduate Scholar



John Howell is studying classical song literature at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, University of Sydney and the Australian Musical Centre.

John is a doctoral student in the School of Music at Indiana University, and has a Master’s Degree in Music from Indiana University.

John aims to compile an annotated bibliography and catalogue of Australian composers and their works as they relate to the Western classical tradition. The compendium will highlight musical style, text, vocal range, accompanying instrumentation and composer background.

Through bringing research of Australian song literature to the U.S., John hopes to initiate intellectual curiosity and present opportunities for performance of these works.

“By performing these songs, the benefit is two-fold: performers are learning the history and tradition of these genres and, in turn, become cultural ambassadors; also, audiences will be able to experience Australian culture, even in such a limited outreach.”

“It is an exciting prospect for any singer looking to study or perform something outside the “standard” repertoire.”

“I have established long-term collaborative bonds with Dr. Neil McEwan, Director of choral ensembles at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, and the staff at the Australian Music Centre.”

“I went to the public concert at the Domain in Sydney, called Jazz in the Park, during the Sydney Festival, where I met an Australian Fulbright Scholar who studied in the U.S. at my alma mater, Indiana University. We were studying there at the same time and even shared major professors! It is truly a small world!”

“ Australia’s proximity to the Great Barrier Reef and its reputation as the home to the top coral scientists in the world made it the clear choice for my research interests. ”

JESSICA JARETT | Fulbright Postgraduate Scholar



Jessica Jarett is a graduate from Southampton College, majoring in Marine Science and she is working with Dr. Ove Hoegh-Guldberg, a leading authority in the field of coral biology, at the University of Queensland.

Jessica is studying two morphs of the coral *Montipora digitata* –a ‘green’ morph, and a ‘brown’ morph with low levels of a green fluorescent pigment. It is thought that this pigment may help to shade the coral’s algal symbionts from damaging high light levels.

Heavy losses of symbionts, known as coral bleaching, often result in coral mortality. Mass coral mortality is perhaps the most serious threat facing the world’s reefs.

“I am concerned about the millions of people, many of them in poor and developing countries, dependant on reefs for food, income, and shoreline protection from storms and tsunamis. Survival of these reefs is critical, and effective management is required.”

Jessica has been working at the University of Queensland’s Heron Island field station.

“This location has provided a unique environment and an opportunity to conduct extensive field observations and sample collection.”

Jessica aims to produce a scientific paper to share her findings. With previous studies finding conflicting results, her research on the functions of coral pigments is especially important.

“I was so lucky to be on the Ribbon Reefs near Port Douglas to see the coral spawning. It only happens on one night in each year. It’s so beautiful to watch the pink gametes floating up. The synchronized performance is like a coral ballet.”

Fulbright National Awards Dinner

Scientia, University of New South Wales

The premier event on the Fulbright calendar, the 2005 Fulbright National Awards Dinner was held at the University of NSW on Thursday 19 May and hosted by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Mark Wainwright, in the spectacular Scientia venue.

The event brought together over 200 government, business and educational representatives, distinguished alumni, U.S. Fulbright Scholars, family and friends.

The 2005 Australian Fulbright Scholars represent a wide range of fields including IT, political science, finance, music, law, medicine, science, engineering, and education. Professor Peter Coaldrake, Chair of the Fulbright Commission Board and Vice-Chancellor of Queensland University of Technology, welcomed guests and Scholars.

Guests of honour who congratulated the Scholars included Dr William Stanton, Chargé d'Affaires a.i., U.S. Embassy; The Hon Pat Farmer MP, Parliamentary Secretary for Education, Science & Training; and The Hon Greg Hunt MP, Parliamentary Secretary for Environment and Heritage; and National President of the Australian Fulbright (Alumni) Association.

Guest speaker Professor Glyn Davis, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Melbourne, a former Harkness fellow and first class honours graduate from the UNSW, gave the keynote address. He spoke of the next generation, the millennium generation, as having a similar education and aspirations as Fulbright's generation, post World War II. "They are the leaders of the future and have the belief and vision to change our world."

The evening featured a classical guitar performance from Aleksandr Tsiboulski, the 2005 Fulbright Scholar in Visual & Performing Arts sponsored by Anthony Joseph Pratt.

(See page eight for a full list of the 2005 Australian Scholars)



The Hon. Pat Farmer MP, Parliamentary Secretary for Education, Science and Training (front left) and Dr William Stanton, Chargé d'Affaires a.i., U.S. Embassy (front right) with the 2005 Fulbright Scholars.

Fulbright Symposium

Peace and Human Rights Education
University of Melbourne



Mark Darby with U.S. Fulbright Senior Specialist, Prof. George Williams and Prof. Dinah Shelton
Prof. Hurst Hannum

The Faculty of Law at the University of Melbourne, hosted the Fulbright Symposium in June, titled "Peace and Human Rights Education".

The Fulbright Symposium engaged leading thinkers on peace and human rights education from Australia and the United States. It provided a forum for sophisticated multidisciplinary discussion to identify the best methods to employ in a climate that can sometimes be hostile to human rights claims.

Recent threats to both societies have emphasised the importance of promoting peace and human values, particularly in a climate where national security considerations and the war on terror have led some to doubt the utility of human rights in a time of national threat.

The Fulbright Public Lecture, "Balancing National Security and Human Rights", was attended by over 250 people. The keynote speakers Professor George Williams, UNSW and Chair of the Victorian Committee on a Bill of Rights; Professor Dinah Shelton, Professor of Law and leading human rights academic from George Washington University, debated whether the quest for security in the current global political climate has gone too far, and whether human rights and fundamental freedoms are being sacrificed in the war on terror.

2005 Australian Fulbright-Hays Seminar Abroad

The Fulbright Commission hosted the first Fulbright-Hays Seminar Abroad to Australia, through the month of July. The program, funded by the U.S. Department of Education, provides short-term study and travel seminars for U.S. educators for the purpose of improving their understanding and knowledge of the peoples and cultures of other countries.

For sixteen American secondary school teachers and college professors the program began with a two-day orientation at the Center for Australian and New Zealand Studies at the University of Texas, Austin. They then headed 'down-under' for a four week program, coordinated by Odyssey Travel that took them to Sydney, Canberra, Alice Springs, Darwin, and Cairns.

The seminar, titled 'Australia – New Country, Old History', focused on the social history of Australia. The group received presentations from Australian teachers, university researchers and faculty, national parks and museum staff, Fulbright Scholars and Alumni. The U.S. Consul General, Steven Smith, also hosted a reception in Sydney for the Fulbright-Hays group and the NSW Fulbright Alumni Chapter.

The primary outcome of the Seminar is for all participants to develop a curriculum project to integrate their experience into their classrooms back in the United States. The group developed topics including:

- > Beyond the Dot: Experiencing Aboriginal Art from a Larger Perspective;
- > On Justice and Human Nature in Aboriginal Australia
- > The Kids' Connection – Integrated Social Studies & Music
- > Human Rights, Race and the Stolen Generation
- > Moving Up in the Land Down Under- Land Rights and Land Use in Australia, a Geographical Enquiry

The Fulbright-Hays Seminar curriculum projects are available on the Fulbright Commission web site.



Fulbright-Hays Seminar Abroad group at Uluru (Ayers Rock), North Territory. Standing, left to right: Study Leader: Ted Edwards, Arami Botick, Carol Julian, Thomas O'Neill, Nicholas Maraventano, Amy Craig-Salmon, Allan Cooper, Cheryl Conover, Dayna Drake, Yanmin Yu, Scott Campbell, Shayne Galloway, Samuel Caruso. Front row, left to right: Maureen Spaight, Marjorie Morgan, Deborah Webster, Site Co-ordinator: Martin Ludgate, Mellanie Clay

Fulbright Alumni



Dr David Ziegler, 2005 Fulbright Australian Alumni (WG Walker) Scholar with his father Dr John Ziegler, 1973 Fulbright Scholar, at the National Awards Dinner

The inaugural Fulbright U.S. Alumni Award to Australia, awarded to the highest-ranked American postgraduate scholar, was announced in 2005. The award was established following the 2004 U.S. Alumni event in Washington, DC and through the generous donations of U.S. Fulbright Alumni to Australia.

The recipient, Scott Lopez, is undertaking a Masters of Law at the University of Sydney, researching alternative dispute resolution techniques for resolving Australian Aboriginal Native Title Claims. The Commission looks forward to working with U.S. Alumni raising funds for this award to ensure its establishment in perpetuity.

Dr David Ziegler (pictured above) received the Fulbright Australian Alumni (WG Walker) Award to conduct research at the Dana-Faber Cancer Institute into the causes and potential cures for childhood cancer. David's father and Fulbright Alumnus, Associate Professor John Ziegler, attended the National Awards Dinner to see David receive his Award.

Membership through lifetime or multi-year membership has continued to grow within the Association along with the involvement of the U.S. Alumni to Australia. It has been exciting to see a growing number of U.S. Alumni engaged with Australian Scholars through receptions at the Australian Consulates and Embassy in the United States.

The Commission thanks Howard Bradbury for his dedication to the position of Australian Fulbright Association (AFA) Treasurer, since its inception in 1989. He stepped down from the role in 2005 and Dr Robert Niven (2002 Fulbright Professional Scholar) has been elected to the position. Howard's commitment has been greatly appreciated as he has worked hard to ensure the long term viability of the Association through the administration of donations and membership.

Financial Statements

There are a number of changes in the presentation of the financial statements. Of note are our increasing investments, which were brought to account for the first time in 2004. This includes the Coral Sea Endowment Fund which was recognised as revenue for the first time, in 2004. This year we kindly accepted the donation by the Australian Fulbright Association of the Australian Alumni (WG Walker) Endowment Fund to our investments. Our cash management strategy was reinvigorated and is reflected in increased revenue.

To comply with AIFRS (Australian International Financial Reporting Standards), the investments are shown at a fair market value. Our thanks to Tony Gleeson from

Genesys Wealth Advisers for providing excellent advice and assisting us in the management of our investments.

In 2005, we were able to increase the number of scholarships offered to the original level of up to forty awards. This is in contrast to 2004 where we offered a smaller number of scholarships due to a one-off adjustment in the management of US\$ income and foreign exchange. This one-off adjustment is reflected in the presentation of funding received from the U.S. Government. The U.S. Government provided additional funding in 2005, to conduct the Fulbright-Hays Seminar Abroad.

INCOME STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

	2005	2004
	\$	\$
Funding for ordinary activities		
Australian Government	579 877	565 734
United States Government	829 487	616 152
United States Government - Fulbright-Hays	391 417	0
Scholarship sponsorships	169 481	196 293
Endowment sponsorships	272 016	435 000
Total funding	2 242 278	1 813 179
Other revenue		
Interest earned	37 642	51 816
Gain on Investment	163 282	21 619
Foreign currency exchange	13 114	6 222
Other income	17 505	3 533
Total other revenue	231 543	83 190
Total revenue	2 473 821	1 896 369

The summarised Financial Statements are extracted from the Commission's complete Financial Statements, which PricewaterhouseCoopers gave an unqualified audit report. A complete set of the Audited Financial Statements are available upon request.

INCOME STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005 (Cont)

	2005	2004
	\$	\$
Expenses from ordinary activities		
Program expenses	1 190 419	825 257
Program returns	(94 438)	(86 385)
Fulbright-Hays program expenses	391 820	0
Administration	412 118	361 845
Non-program expenses	186 377	217 523
Foreign currency exchange	0	558
Total expenses	2 086 296	1 318 798
Operating surplus/(deficit)	387 525	577 571
Accumulated fund previous year	621 728	(55 386)
Transfer (to) from reserves	(15 500)	99 543
Balance for year taken to accumulated fund	993 753	621 728

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2005

	2005	2004
	\$	\$
Assets		
Cash	1 258 346	1 129 046
Funds receivable from governments	13 630	26 927
Receivables	42 867	26 106
Other current assets	24 904	16 975
	1 339 747	1 199 053
Investments held at market value	1 330 451	456 619
Total assets	2 670 198	1 655 673
Liabilities		
Provisions	30 403	16 824
Funding in advance	836 698	291 285
Creditors	23 918	13 798
	891 019	321 907
Unpaid program costs	395 162	337 273
Total liabilities	1 286 181	659 180
Net assets	1 384 018	996 493
Equity		
Reserves	390 265	374 765
Accumulated funds	993 753	621 728
Total Equity	1 384 018	996 493

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

In order to be consistent with the Manual for Binational Commissions and Foundations the Commission does not hold any fixed capital or equity. There are no movements in equity other than movements in Reserves.

Sponsors

The primary funding for the Fulbright Program in Australia is provided by the Australian and United States governments. This core funding is complemented by the generous support of a select group of companies, organisations and government agencies.

BHP Billiton

BHP Billiton is the world's largest diversified resources company, formed through a merger between BHP, one of Australia's oldest and largest companies, and Billiton one of the world's premier mining companies. The Fulbright BHP Billiton Award in Engineering and Science was established in 2000.

Clough Ltd

Clough is a diversified public company providing multidisciplinary engineering, construction, operations and maintenance organisations in the international oil & gas, minerals, infrastructure and property industries. Harold Clough, Non-Executive Director, is a Fulbright Scholar who studied Mechanical Engineering at the University of California, Berkeley. The Fulbright Clough Award in Engineering was established in 1994.

Coral Sea Endowment Fund

The Coral Sea Endowment Fund was originally established in 1992 by U.S. Ambassador Mel Sembler and U.S. companies to recognise the 50th anniversary of the Battle of the Coral Sea. This fund, managed by the Fulbright Commission, supports a Fulbright Professional Business/Industry Award focusing on an issue of relevance to Australia and the United States.

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

To recognise the 50th Anniversary of the ANZUS Treaty during 2001, the Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs, the Hon Alexander Downer MP announced the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's support for a Fulbright Professional Award in Australia-United States Alliance Studies. This Award encourages new research and discussion on issues affecting Australia and the United States.

Anthony Joseph Pratt

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

Telstra

Telstra is Australia's leading telecommunications and information services company. The inaugural Fulbright Telstra Award in Technology & Communication was granted in 2005.

Supporters of Australian-American Fulbright Commission

Australian Universities

Australian Universities support the state selection process for Australian applicants and waive the tuition fees for visiting U.S. Postgraduates. The universities representing the Fulbright Program in each State are the University of Adelaide, Queensland University of Technology, Monash University, Murdoch University, The University of Sydney and the University of Tasmania.

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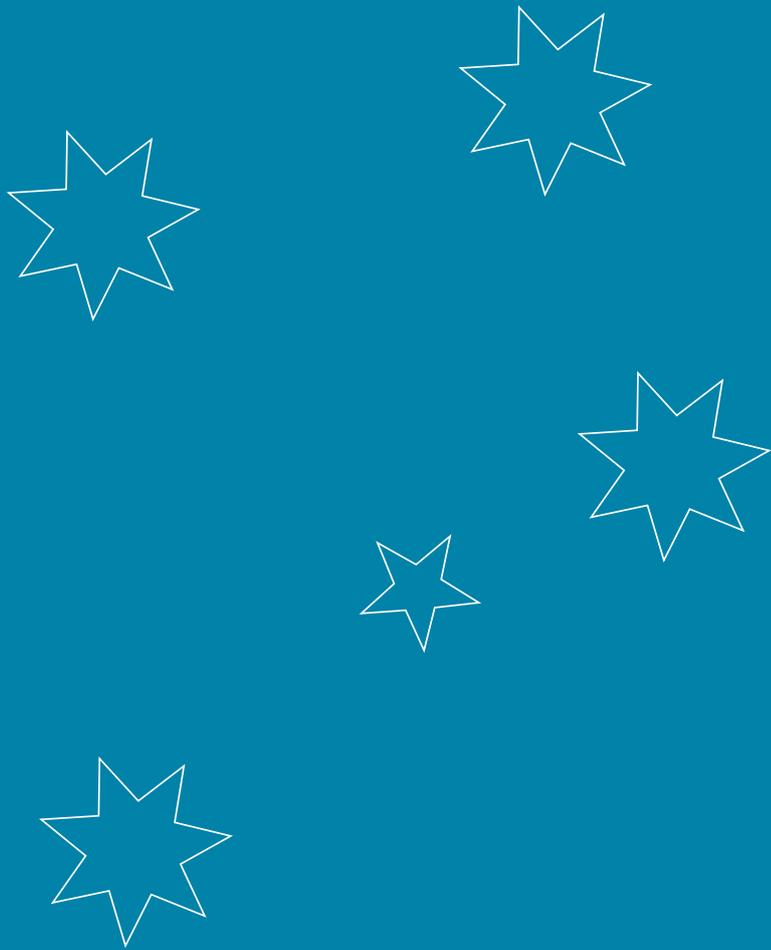
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