

OPEN TO U.S. Citizens — Ph.D. within last 5 years, max. 7 yrs as scholar	GRANT LENGTH 3 to 9 months	MODALITY Teaching, Research, or Teaching & Research
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About the program

The **U.S. Scholar Postdoctoral Award** supports early-career U.S. academics who received their Ph.D. within the last five years and wish to teach, conduct research, or both at a Mexican university or research institution. All projects must demonstrate binational importance and impact. Grantees are also expected to give public talks, mentor students, and engage with their host community throughout the grant.

Requirements

- Intermediate Spanish proficiency required; level must match project needs.
- Letter of invitation from a qualified Mexican university or research institution required at application close.
- Projects must be three to nine months. Academic year grants are preferred.

Grant benefits



Monthly stipend
(\$2,900 to \$3,700 USD)



One time allowances
(for settling-in expenses and books)



Additional dependent allowances



One round-trip international airfare



Commission's assistance with the visa paperwork



Emergency health benefits



This award is exclusively for early-career scholars. If you received your Ph.D. more than five years ago or have more than seven years of experience as a teacher or scholar, please review the **U.S. Scholars Award — All Disciplines** instead.

All three awards are open to U.S. Citizens for research and study in Mexico. The key differences lie in career stage they target, the required level of experience, and the type of project supported. This table helps identify which award best fits your profile.

	Open Study / Research	Scholars Postdoctoral	Scholars All Disciplines
Career level	Graduate students currently enrolled in a master's or doctoral program, or holders of a terminal master's.	Early-career scholars who received their Ph.D. within the last 5 years, with no more than 7 years as a teacher or scholar.	Mid-career and senior academics with 7 or more years post-terminal degree.
Degree required to apply	Enrolled in MA, MS, Ph.D., or terminal master's program (applicants with only a B.A. are not eligible).	Ph.D. or terminal degree required before grant start.	Terminal degree: Ph.D., MFA, JD, or MD.
Primary activity	Independent research or arts project.	Teaching, research, or a combination of both.	Teaching, research, or a combination of both.
Grant length	6 or 9 months.	3 to 9 months.	3 to 9 months.
Affiliation / invitation letter	Required at the time of application.	Required at the time of application.	Required at the time of application.
Spanish proficiency	Advanced.	Intermediate.	Intermediate.



Not sure which award fits your profile? If you are a current graduate student, apply to the Open Study / Research & Arts Award. If you received your Ph.D. within the last 5 years, apply to Scholars Postdoctoral. If you have 7 or more years of post-terminal degree experience, apply to Scholars All Disciplines.