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The Fulbright Program is not appropriate for <u>unsupervised</u> academic study, internships or research involving contact with human or animal patients and subjects whether in clinical or non-clinical settings. The Fulbright Program is **NOT** appropriate for students and scholars wishing to pursue programs/projects involving graduate medical education or training at accredited U.S. schools.

As an exchange visitor in the J-visa category sponsored by the Fulbright Program, please be aware that research and academic activities must **NOT** involve unsupervised, patient contact in a clinical setting. Also note that patient contact may not always be in a clinical setting and may include but is not limited to contact with the following: human or animal patients and subjects; human or animal remains; corpses; cadavers; or carcasses. Based on the nature of the project, patient contact can extend beyond the fields of medical and veterinary sciences to other fields that require patient consultation, prescribing or administering medication, therapies, casework interventions, and/or other contact with human or animal patients.

To ensure compliance with the policies that govern your Fulbright Program in the United States, please review the five points as outlined in the *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) – 22 CFR Part 62.* These policies may differ depending on your field of specialization and stage of your program. Please return this form to your Fulbright Program administrator, indicating that you and the dean, designee, advisor or supervisor at your site(s) of activity, have read and understand the restrictions/requirements of your J-visa status and your Fulbright Program activity.

## The salient points from the *CFR* are as follows:

- The academic program or project in which the exchange visitor will participate is predominantly involved with observation, consultation, teaching, or research.
- Any incidental patient contact involving the exchange visitor will be under the supervision of a U.S. citizen or resident physician or otherwise credentialed/licensed professional in the location (state) in which the exchange visitor is pursuing the program.
- The exchange visitor will not be given final responsibility for the diagnosis and/or treatment of patients.
- Any activities of the exchange visitor will conform fully with any applicable policies and regulations for medical, health care, and other professionals in the state in which the exchange visitor is pursuing the program.
- Any experience gained in this program will not be creditable towards any clinical requirements for medical or other specialty board certification.

## Additional guidelines for researchers in non-clinical settings:

Any research-related contact with humans or animals **MUST** be under the supervision of the faculty advisor or similarly credentialed professional. The exchange visitor's activities must adhere to any and all applicable federal, state, and institutional norms and regulations pertaining to their specific academic or research field, including adherence to policies providing ethical and regulatory oversight of research involving human and/or animal subjects.

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