

## Fulbright-RAF Scholar Award

The University Letter of Support provided by the University Administrator (3 pages)

The Fulbright-RAF Scholar Award program has been initiated to offer Romanian professors, from technical universities and faculties, valuable experience, allowing them to develop high-quality entrepreneurship education opportunities for students across Romania.

For professors, the program provides a semester-long fellowship in residence at a leading U.S. university (University of Rochester – AIN Center for Entrepreneurship) for study and independent research, curriculum development, classroom observation, and participation in community-based entrepreneurial activities.

Universities will gain from the enhanced experience of participating professors, as well as receive ongoing support and advising from U.S. university mentors throughout the implementation process.

Furthermore, an administrator from each participating university will have the opportunity to visit the U.S. at the conclusion of the semester to learn about the professors' experience and explore an active entrepreneurial environment first hand.

When completing this application, you are suggested that you take into consideration the following requirements: provide an assessment of your university's current support for entrepreneurship education; outline your university's vision for entrepreneurship education; confirm your support for the professor(s) from your university applying to participate in the one-semester U.S. residency program.

All the present documents (the completed application – page 2 along with the signed letter of support– see page 3) must be submitted in English and uploaded to the Fulbright-RAF online application (<https://apply.iie.org/fvsp2022>), no later than **January 20, 2022**.

The Letter of Support provided by the University Administrator and professors' applications will be evaluated simultaneously by an international selection committee to identify qualified professors with strong university support to achieve high impact results for Romanian students.

We look forward to receiving your Letter of Support/application.

Thank you for your interest in the Fulbright-RAF Scholar Award!

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### University Letter of Support

<b>SECTION I: UNIVERSITY CONTACT INFORMATION</b>	
Name of University:	
Primary contact person (person completing this application):	
Primary contact email:	
Primary contact telephone:	
<b>University Faculty (or Faculties) supporting this application</b>	
<b>Faculty:</b>	
Dean:	
Email:	
Number of enrolled students (2021-2022):	
<b>Faculty:</b>	
Dean:	
Email:	
Number of enrolled students (2021-2022):	
<b>Faculty:</b>	
Dean:	
Email:	
Number of enrolled students (2021-2022):	
<b>University Professors applying to RAF Scholar Award</b>	
Faculty:	Professor:
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## **SECTION II: Letter of Support**

Submit a separate signed document together with this application describing the support, both tangible and intangible, to be provided by the University and its Faculty (or Faculties) for University Professors applying to the Fulbright - RAF Scholar Award and implementation of entrepreneurship education best practices upon completion of the Program.

The Letter of Support should address the following:

### **Current environment:**

- Description of current University strategy to support entrepreneurship.
- Description of current entrepreneurship curricula, courses, and/or courses which cover entrepreneurship topics.
- Description of current University support for faculty technology transfer projects (e.g., efforts to commercialize faculty research products).
- Description of current University-community entrepreneurial ecosystem—student startup organizations and events, such as “startup weekends” or “hackathons”; incubators, accelerators, tech hubs, co-working spaces; startups and other entrepreneurial ventures; mentoring programs for entrepreneurs, legal and financial resources, etc.

### **Vision:**

- Describe the vision, formal or informal, for the University’s program of entrepreneurship education. What curricula and courses should be offered?
- Describe the resources that the University is prepared to deploy to realize this vision. Include both tangible (budget, official sponsorship of proposed curricula and courses, etc.) and intangible (prioritization by top administrators, etc.).
- Describe the timeline for implementing a) curricula, b) courses, c) certificate programs, courses, or institutes (non-degree educational experiences for enrolled students and/or community members).

### **Other types of support:**

- Include a brief description of University support for additional elements of the Program: nomination of one to two top Administrators to travel to the U.S. for a short-term study trip at the conclusion of the Professors’ U.S. residency; hosting U.S. university professors for short-term consulting visits; and providing logistic support for establishment of a national association to support ongoing innovation and entrepreneurship education.

### **NOTE:**

The Applicant University is expected to provide a report detailing the results of its participation in the Program within one year of participation.