



## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2023-SCC-0144]

### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and approval; Comment Request; Application for the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad (GPA) Program (1894-0001)**

**AGENCY:** Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Department is proposing a revision of a currently approved information collection request (ICR).

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice. Click on this link [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain) to access the site. Find this information collection request (ICR) by selecting “Department of Education” under “Currently Under Review,” then check the “Only Show ICR for Public Comment” checkbox. Reginfo.gov provides two links to view documents related to this information collection request. Information collection forms and instructions may be found by clicking on the “View Information Collection (IC) List” link. Supporting statements and other supporting documentation may be found by clicking on the “View Supporting Statement and Other Documents” link.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Cory Neal, 202-987-0438.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

*Title of Collection:* Application for the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad (GPA) Program (1894-0001)

*OMB Control Number:* 1840-0792

*Type of Review:* A revision of a currently approved ICR.

*Respondents / Affected Public:* Private Sector

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 60

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 6,600

*Abstract:* Under the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad (GPA) program, the Secretary awards grants to eligible institutions, departments, and organizations to conduct overseas group projects in research, training, and curriculum development. These institutions administer the program in cooperation with the US Department of Education (US/ED) as provided under the authority of sections 102(b)(6) and 104(e)(1) of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, 34 CFR part 662, the Policy Statements of the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FSB), and the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR).

This is a revision to an existing collection. ED/IFLE is removing Competitive Preference Priority 6: Thematic Focus on Ukraine or Afghanistan because only 1 applicant out of 43 applications for FY 2023 applied for the priority. This applicant was not eligible for the

points. No applications received points for this priority. This revision will have no effect on hour or cost burden.

This collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (1894-0001). Therefore, the 30-day public comment period notice will be the only public comment notice published for this information collection.

**Dated:** July 26, 2023.

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