

## **Priority Draft Review Target Date**

Fulbright applicants are strongly encouraged to submit drafts of their Statement of Grant Purpose, Personal Statement, + 3 short answer responses (from the Program Information section of the application) to CURF for feedback by **July 11, 2021**; a date we're calling the Priority Draft Review Target Date. By submitting drafts prior to the Priority Draft Review Target Date, applicants are opting-in for enhanced writing support (though CURF will continue to offer draft review after that date).

### **Q: Why should I submit my Fulbright drafts to CURF for review before the Priority Draft Review Target Date?**

A: There are several benefits for doing so:

1. This ensures you will receive feedback far enough in advance of the Campus Deadline to give you plenty of time to consider and integrate that feedback prior to submitting your application
2. Requests for re-review of drafts will be given priority
3. Having a date to work toward should help you pace your Fulbright application process effectively

### **Q: How do I submit my Fulbright Drafts to CURF for review?**

A: Submit your drafts to CURF through the Fellowships Draft Review section of [this website](#). Before doing so, be sure to complete the Self-Edit Checklist (required each time you request feedback on your Fulbright essays from CURF).

### **Q: Do I really have to complete the Self-Edit Checklist every time I submit drafts for feedback?**

A: Yes! Engaging with your own writing in this manner is a crucial step in the process.

### **Q: What if I miss the Priority Draft Review Target Date – can I still get feedback from CURF?**

A: Yes! Applicants who miss the Priority Draft Review Target Date are also strongly encouraged to submit Fulbright drafts to CURF, but should note that drafts submitted ahead of the Priority Draft Review Target Date will be reviewed first. Additionally, re-review for applicants who do not meet the Priority Draft Review Target Date will be accommodated *if time permits* (it is not guaranteed, but we'll do our best).

### **Q: How should I approach re-submission for additional feedback?**

A: The aim isn't to make one quick round of edits in order to "get it right" – writing and editing is an iterative process. Take the time you need to consider feedback and incorporate it thoughtfully. Step away from your drafts every so often and return to them with fresh eyes. Assume that you will write numerous versions of these essays (a few that you'll share with

CURF, and many that you won't) and pace yourself accordingly. You may receive individual feedback from your reviewer about a suggested timeline for resubmitting.

**Q: Should I seek feedback on my drafts from other people too?**

A: Yes! Applicants are encouraged to seek feedback from faculty (especially for the Study/Research Statement of Grant Purpose), Fulbright recommendation writers, and friends & family (who are especially good at gauging whether the Personal Statement reflects the person they know and love). That said, there is such a thing as too much feedback – be mindful of how many opinions you solicit, and don't feel as though you must automatically incorporate all of it.