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NEW FULBRIGHT RESEARCH GRANTS TO FRANCE: AQUITAINE

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Over 90,000 people study in the Aquitaine region, 70,000 of whom live in Bordeaux. The city of Bordeaux is home to four universities and 14 *grandes écoles*, including nine engineering schools. Over 8,900 people are involved in research and development, including 4,700 in the private sector. One hundred and thirty research laboratories are located within the four universities and the national research centers of Bordeaux. The Aquitaine region has become one of the premier world locations for laser optics. The *Mégajoule* laser is being constructed near Bordeaux in conjunction with the national defense policy. This installation will have numerous civilian applications, particularly in research development as the development of scientific and industrial applications of laser optics is one of the region's priorities.

Eligible Candidates: Associate, assistant and full professors

Eligible fields: The Aquitaine region welcomes candidates in all fields, but preferably in the following areas where Aquitaine international research teams are especially strong:

- **Hard sciences:** functional genomics, viticulture and wine-related disciplines, biology/chemistry interface, optics, lasers, high-field physics, materials science, wood science and forest products;
- **Humanities and social sciences:** heritage or historical preservation, new governance and identity, diversity and citizenship studies.

Participating Institutions:

An exhaustive list of potential host institutions in the **hard sciences** can be found on the following website (in English): <http://www.polytechnicum-bordeaux.com/anglais/presentation.html>. Go to the section entitled "Technological interfaces" and / or "Research laboratories".

For a list of potential host institutions in the **humanities and social sciences**, please consult the following website (in French): <http://www.msha.fr/msha/sommaire.asp>. Go to the section entitled "Centre de recherche associés à la MSHA".

Length of Grant: Grants are awarded for a minimum period of two months and a maximum period of nine months.

How to Apply: The Fulbright-Aquitaine scholarship program functions exactly as the traditional Fulbright scholars' program. U.S. scholars should visit the Council for the International Exchange of Scholars' (CIES') website at www.cies.org and contact CIES' program officer for France, Dr. Andy Riess at ariess@cies.org or Mr. Adam Graham at agraham@cies.org.

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